

SQUAXIN ISLAND TRIBE

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RESOLUTION NO. 87-7
of the
SQUAXIN ISLAND TRIBAL COUNCIL

WHEREAS, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council is the Governing Body of the Squaxin Island Tribe of Indians by the authority of the Constitution and By-laws of the Squaxin Island Tribe, as approved and adopted by the General Body and the Secretary of the Interior of July 8, 1965, and

WHEREAS, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council has been entrusted to provide for the social, health and economic well being of its members, and

WHEREAS, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council has found it necessary and appropriate to address the problem of Truancy within our community.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Squaxin Island Tribal Council does hereby adopt the attached Squaxin Island Tribe Truancy Policy and Procedure dated January 22, 1987

CERTIFICATION

The Squaxin Island Tribal Council does hereby certify that the above resolution was adopted at a regular meeting of the Squaxin Island Tribal Council held this 22, day of 1987, at which time a quorum was present and passed by a vote of 4 for and 2 against, and absententions.

DAVID LOPEMAN, MAIRMAN

ATTESTED BY:

JZM PETERS, SECRETARY

EVELYN ALLEN, VICE-CHAIRPERSON

This policy Supercedes prior Truancy Policies and Procedures

The first time a child's case is referred to Law Enforcement, the child shall be charged with <u>Failure to Attend School</u>.

Subsequent incidents will result in charging the child with Failure to Attend School and charging the parent with Contributing to the Delinquency of a Minor.

For children under 12 citations should be issued to the parent, for children 12 and over the child should receive the citation. In all cases both parent and child should be called into court.

Two administrative procedures should be established, one for on reservation truancy cases and one for off reservation cases.

Procedure for ICW Intervention in Matters of Truancy

Procedure for on reservation:

- ICW contacts school in order to obtain unexcused absences; (unexcused absence is defined by the school)
- Upon notice of three unexcused absences ICW will send a letter to the parent and ask for a responce;
- 3. ICW makes a home visit in order to problem solve with the parent;
- 4. Upon eight unexcused absences, ICW will notify Tribal Law Enforcement.

Procedure for off reservation students;

- 1. As above
- 2. As above
- 3. As above
- 4. The public school system and the state are alerted.