



Wisconsin Tribal Judges Association

Regular Quarterly Meeting – Virtual via Zoom

9 a.m. Friday, January 14, 2022

AGENDA

- I. **Call to order** by President, Judge Gwendolyn Topping

- II. **Roll call & Quorum determination** by Secretary/Treasurer, Judge Patty Ninham Hoeft
Present: Bad River, Forest County Potawatomi, Ho-Chunk, Lac Courte Oreilles, Lac Du Flambeau, Menominee, Oneida, Red Cliff Band, St. Croix Chippewa, Sokaogon, Stockbridge-Munsee Band; Not present:

- III. Opening Prayer

- IV. Approval of the agenda

- V. Approval of the minutes
 - a. October 14, 2021, annual meeting
 - b. January 8, 2021, regular meeting

- VI. Reports
 - a. President’s Report, Judge Gwendolyn Topping
 - b. Secretary/Treasurer Report, Judge Patty Ninham Hoeft
 - c. Committee Reports – list all committees & check their status (active/inactive), Judge Patty Ninham Hoeft
 - i. Courtroom Safety & Security
 - ii. GLITC
 - iii. Other
 - d. WI Judicare, Doug Twait, Indian Law Office director
 - e. WI Judicial Conference annual meeting Nov. 3-5, 2021, Green Bay, Judges Hunter, Moe, E. Smith
 - f. WI State-Tribal Justice Forum, Judge Topping
Excerpt from October 22, 2021 minutes: Judge Topping will poll the WTJA membership to recruit volunteers to fill the 5 tribal judges membership seats on the State-Tribal Justice Forum Committee.
Excerpt from July 9, 2021 minutes: Tribal/State Forum has vacant co-chair positions.
 - g. NAICJA, Judge Layatalati Hill, Oneida Judiciary Chief Trial Judge
 - h. WI Access to Justice Commission , Judge JoDeen Lowe, Ho-Chunk Nation Chief Trial Judge
<https://wisatj.org/governance/missionvalues>

- VII. Old Business
 - a. Status of filing past 990 EZ Income tax forms for 2014-2021, Atty. Andrew Belter, WI Judicare
 - i. WTJA
 - ii. WTCCA (WI Tribal Court Clerks & Administrators)
 - b. Proposed amendment of existing WI Supreme Court Rule SCR 31.01(11), Judge Rob Collins
Excerpt from October 22, 2021 minutes: Judge Collins will fill out form to request amendment to SCR 31.01(11) and invite other WTJA members to join this effort.

VIII. New Business

IX. Tribal Courts Updates

- a. Bad River.
- b. Forest County Potawatomi
- c. Ho-Chunk
- d. Lac Courte Oreilles
- e. Lac Du Flambeau
- f. Menominee
- g. Oneida
- h. Red Cliff
- i. St. Croix
- j. Sokaogon
- k. Stockbridge-Munsee

X. Adjournment

XI. Next meetings:

- o April 15, 2022
- o July 15, 2022
- o October 14, 2022, annual meeting