

IRGE – NOVEMBER MEETING MINUTES

In Attendance: Irma Gorham (Chair), Jeff Du Manoir (Vice Chair), Patricia Allen, Kerron Barnes, Julie Brewen, Anthony Goodson, Michael Lazdowsky, Kevin Loso, Don May, Sheldon Packer, Sherry Perkins, Laurie Putscher, Carlos Reyes, and Chonda Tapley

Liaison: Jenna Hampton

Optional: Mark Thiele (NAHRO CEO), Steven Molinari (NAHRO Staff)

A. WELCOME / NEW MEMBERS

The committee welcomed new members Chonda Tapley and Carlos Reyes. CEO Mark Thiele briefly addressed the committee and informed them that Jenna Hampton would be leaving NAHRO at the end of November. Jenna will announce the new staff liaison before she departs NAHRO.

B. STRATEGIC PLAN UPDATES

Each subcommittee provided strategic plan updates.

- [Communications Subcommittee](#) (linked)
- [Exchange Subcommittee](#) (linked)
- [Research Subcommittee](#) (linked)
- Partnerships Subcommittee
 - Sherry P. working with the [Native American Indian Housing Council \(NAIHC\)](#)
 - Nov. 29th event on Indian Housing Law
 - Dec. 5-7th training in Las Vegas
 - Added 4 international partners to NAHRO's email "clips" delivery list
 - NAHRO still reviewing the vetting process for new MOUs; no current updates
 - Saeed and Irma also working on partnerships with Indian / Alaskan groups
- International Award Subcommittee (*no updates*)

C. EXCHANGE PLANS FOR 2023

- Laurie and subcommittee still discussing potential plans for Cairo / Mexico / Puerto Rico
- Julie wants to make sure the committee is connecting the exchange plans to larger scope of work; don't want to be known as the "travel committee"
- Julie made a motion for the whole committee to approve the study exchanges.
 - Kerron seconded the motion
 - After further discussion, Julie withdrew the motion. She asked the Chair (Irma) and Vice-Chair (Jeff) to come back to the group with a plan for a future study exchange approval procedure.

D. IRGE HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

- IRGE will not meet in December. The next meeting will be Friday, January 13th at 12pm ET.