

OCIP Zoom Meeting on Thursday, March 25th 2021

In Attendance: Tammy, 4 Region 9 members and Elder Rolly.

7:40pm: Introductions

7:55pm: Announcement that OCIP CO-VID Funding will be renewed for the next 12 months. Email was sent to everybody on Thursday afternoon. Members will need to re-apply their CO-VID Application Sheet so their information is updated. Application covers 25% Rent to those eligible, providing financial assistance if you are about to lose your phone, internet, etc. You will also receiving monthly grocery gift cards, funding for medication costs.

8:05pm: Create an OCIP Zone 9 Committee (Board of Directors). Plan is to have at least 5 other members for the region. The goal is to become a non-profit organization, to have it have no boundaries, no differences in race, either if you are Metis, First Nations, off-reserve indigenous.

We will need to be sponsored to help get incorporated.

8:15pm-9:00pm: Everybody is taking turns talking about what we want the OCIP group to be about.

9:00pm: Create a Vision Statement about our group, establish step by step goals for what our group is to become.

Focus on ways to promote the group: fundraisings, Facebook advertising, emails, twitter, etc.

Reach out to family and friends to get the word out.

9:15pm: Create Goals for the future

By Summer 2022, help establish a Weekend Conference for OCIP, OCAP, MNO, First Nations to all get together. Have it take place at a Hotel with Conference Rooms. The location doesn't have to be in a major city.

Establish Language Classes to be widely available for everybody.

Young Groups: Create a program to help young metis, off reserve ingenious, or First Nation kids to join young league teams in Baseball, Basketball, Soccer, Hockey, Lacrosse. Help pay for registration, equipment, and other costs associated with joining and playing for a team.

Create events were kids can get together for a friendly tournament, BBQ, for families to get together - non-political activities.

Agree to have Zoom Meetings take place weekly. Next one will take place for Tuesday, March 30th @ 7:00pm.