**Member Present**: Jessica Bush, Carl Davis, Conrad Fisher, Skye Gilham, Kevin Askan, Michael Black Wolf, Alvin Windy Boy, Andy LeBrun

**Members Excused:** Michael Blackwolf, John Murray, Chair William Big Day, Tom Escarcega, Maurika Jeanne Moore

**Staff Present:** Mike Manion, Lauren Berka, Ben Condon

1. **Call to Order**
   1. Vice Chair Skye Gilham called the meeting to order at 10:18 am
2. **Opening Prayer and Introductions**
   1. All meeting attendees introduced themselves to the group.
   2. Mr. Conrad Fisher led the opening prayer.
3. **Previous Meeting Minutes**
   1. Approve November 20, 2020 Board Meeting Minutes.
      1. **MOTION**: Conrad Fisher moved to approve the minutes from the November 20, 2020 meeting. Carl Davis seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Alvin Windy Boy, Michael Black Wolf and Kevin Askan did not attend the November 2020 meeting. Alvin and Michael voted ‘Aye’ with the caveat that they did not attend the last meeting.
4. **Old Business**
   1. CR-01
      1. Jessica Bush gave a brief history of the case.
      2. Jessica said the State Crime Lab was unable to do any kind of fingerprint testing, and the DNA test was the next step. Money was allocated during the November meeting for the test. The results of the DNA test should be in before the October 2021 meeting.
      3. **MOTION**: Carl Davis moved to proceed with DNA testing and wait until the next meeting to decide how to proceed with reinternment. Andy LeBrun seconded his motion. It passed unanimously.
   2. FA-01
      1. Jessica gave a history of the case.
      2. There has been no contact with the landowner who owns the property where the remains were found.
      3. **MOTION:** Michael Blackwolf moved to have Skye Gilham contact the local sheriff to see if they can contact the landowner. Reinternment was the consensus of the Board. Carl Davis seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
   3. LT-01
      1. Jessica Bush opened case with background and history.
      2. The Board discussed whether it has jurisdiction over this case as the remains were found on federal land. Mike Manion suggested contacting a local NAGPRA representative to discuss how to proceed with this case and ensure it is done correctly.
      3. Carl Davis offered to contact Rick Hanson regarding the case and report back to the board in an email as soon as he has information.
      4. No motion was needed as there was no action being taken on the remains, and only information was being researched.
   4. MO-02
      1. Skye opened on case.
      2. No new information has arisen since the previous meeting.
      3. Kevin Askan offered to reach out to Tim Ryan to find more information pertaining to the case and will report back to the Board in a timely fashion via email.
   5. PR-01
      1. Jessica Bush provided background on the case.
      2. Conrad Fisher offered information on reinternment and how to be culturally aware with the different tribes.
      3. Conrad Fisher offered to reach out to TIPO to retrieve the remains and start planning on how to proceed with reinternment. It is believed that a member from the Northern Cheyenne Tribe will be responsible for completing the reinterment.
5. **New Business**
   1. ML-01
      1. Jessica Bush gave a brief history of the case and explained how it came to the Board.
      2. Sheriff Lesnik spoke with the property owner where the remains were found and reported back to the Board that the property owner would like to rebury the remains. The owner stated he is willing to leave that area of property free from any new projects that may come up in the future.
      3. Conrad Fisher said he would like to defer any reburial procedures to a Hi-Line tribe.
      4. Alvin Windy Boy offered to spear head the reinternment process and will speak to a member of a Hi-Line tribe.
      5. **MOTION:** Conrad Fisher moved to have Alvin Windy Boy speak with a member of a Hi-Line tribe and the Sheriff to begin the process of returning the remains back to their resting place. Andy LeBrun seconded this motion. It passed unanimously.
   2. MO-01
      1. Jessica Bush opened the case by offering a history and an explanation. Kevin Askan offered to be an intermediary between the Board and Missoula County. There is not a substantial amount of information on the case, so Kevin was tasked with researching and finding more information.
      2. The consensus of the Board was to table this case until the next meeting.

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* + 1. Jessica Bush gave the background on the new case.
    2. The Board is unaware of exact time or location of discovery of the remain.
    3. Skye Gilham offered the idea to the Board of having an anthropologic analysis done on the remains to better date and understand the specimen.
    4. Conrad Fisher raised a concern that the skull should be picked up and put into the possession of the Board before something unintentional happen to it.
    5. Andy LeBrun stated that the Board should go through the proper law enforcement channels because we don’t know where this skull is from and there is the chance it could be a part of an ongoing investigation.
    6. The Board asked Mike Manion to contact the Treasure County Sheriff to start the process of obtaining the skull.
    7. **MOTION:** Conrad Fisher moved to have Mike Manion call the Sheriff and begin the process of claiming the item. Alvin Windy Boy seconded this motion. It passed unanimously.
  1. TL-01 / TL-02
     1. Jessica Bush gave the background on both cases.
     2. Skye told the Board that these are both very new cases, and they have very little information attached to them.
     3. Skye and Alvin offered to jointly find more information on these cases and report their findings at the next meeting.
  2. Mike Manion asked; Skye Gilham to speak with John Murray about the remaining items at the University of Montana.

1. **Public Comment**
   1. None
2. **Set Next Meeting Date**
   1. **MOTION**: Alvin Windy Boy moved that the next meeting be held on October 15, 2021. Conrad Fisher seconded this motion. The motion passed unanimously.
3. **Adjournment**
   1. The meeting adjourned at 1:09 pm.