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NOTICE OF BOARD MEETING

American Indian Community-Specific Board

Date: Wednesday, September 9, 2026, 4:30 pm to 6:00 pm

Online Meeting via Teams: Link to be provided on the Agenda

An Agenda Will Be Posted on

<https://mn.gov/oaif/communications/meetings/>

The American Indian Community-Specific Board advises and assists the Ombudsperson for American Indian Families. To read the statute about the Board, visit the Office of the Revisor of Statutes at <https://www.revisor.mn.gov/statutes/2021/cite/3.9216>

Board Chair: Stephanie Graves – Red Lake Band of Chippewa

Board Vice Chair: Deanna Drift – Bois Forte Band of Chippewa

Board Member: Jules Edwards – Anishinaabe

Board Member: Jacquelyn Saice - White Earth Nation

Board Member: Marlena Hanson - First Generation Descendent of White Earth Nation

Duties of the Ombudsperson for American Indian Families:

*(1) The ombudsperson shall monitor agency compliance with **all laws governing child protection and placement, public education, and housing issues related to child protection that impact American Indian children and their families.** In particular, the ombudsperson shall monitor agency compliance with sections 260.751 to 260.835; section 260C.193, subdivision 3; and section 260C.215.*