

***BY-LAWS
OF THE
MENOMINEE TRIBAL
GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE***

ARTICLE I - NAME:

The name of this committee shall be the Menominee Tribal Governmental Affairs Committee.

ARTICLE II - PURPOSE:

This committee shall be responsible for providing research, investigation, and advisory assistance to the Tribal Legislature. Specifically, the committee shall receive, review, and analyze information and data submitted by respective departments and make recommendations to the Tribal Legislature; shall receive, review and analyze the effects of laws enacted to reorganize departments under the legislative branch and report its findings and recommendations; shall receive, review and analyze policies relating to governmental operations and make recommendations to improve the effectiveness and efficiency of Tribal Government.

ARTICLE III - MEMBERS:

1. Members of the Committee shall be appointed by the Tribal Chairperson subject to the approval of the Menominee Tribal Legislature and shall serve at the pleasure of the Legislature.
2. Members of the Committee may be recommended for removal by the Committee by a majority vote on the grounds of violation of the standards of committee members, subject to the approval of the Menominee Tribal Legislature.
3. The Tribal Chairperson is an ex-officio member of the Committee.

ARTICLE IV – OFFICERS AND DUTIES:

1. There shall be three officers of the Committee, Chairperson appointed by the Tribal Chairman, Vice-Chairperson, and a Secretary.
2. The Chairperson shall preside at all the Committee meetings and ensure the meetings are conducted in a business like fashion.
3. The Vice-Chairperson and or Secretary shall perform the duties of the Chairperson in his/her absence.
4. The Committee shall elect two officers by majority vote.

ARTICLE V – STANDARDS OF CONDUCT:

1. Committee members shall not engage in criminal, infamous, dishonest, immoral or disgraceful conduct which would be detrimental to the Committee or the Menominee Indian Tribe.
2. Committee members shall avoid conflicts of interest with his/her Committee responsibilities.
3. Committee members shall not use confidential information gained in the course of their appointment for private gain and only disclose confidential information with specific approval.
4. Committee members shall not do indirectly that which is improper for them to do directly.
5. Committee members shall focus their efforts through cooperation and positive interaction with each other through open communication and trust with each other.
6. Committee members shall treat each other with respect and be supportive of department staff that report to the committee.

ARTICLE VI - MEETINGS:

1. The date and time of regular Committee meetings shall be held on the 4th Tuesday of each month at 4:00 p.m. or at the call of the Committee Chairman if necessary. Chairman's Office Staff will post all meeting notices, record meetings and transcribe the minutes. All written reports and minutes shall be provided to the Legislature on a timely basis.
2. The Committee shall conduct its business in accordance with Robert's Rules of Order.
3. Special meetings may be called by the Chairperson of the Committee or the Tribal Chairperson.
4. All meetings shall be posted in the same manner as meetings of the Tribal Legislature.
5. All meetings shall be open to Tribal members, except meetings or a portion of meeting held in Executive Session for the purposes listed in Bylaw II Section (1)(c) of the Constitution and Bylaws of the Menominee Indian Tribe.

ARTICLE VII - QUORUM:

A majority of the Committee shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any meeting of the Committee; but if less than a majority of the members are present at said meeting, a majority of the members present may adjourn the meeting.

The quorum for the Governmental Affairs Committee shall be four (4).

ARTICLE VIII – MANNER OF ACTING:

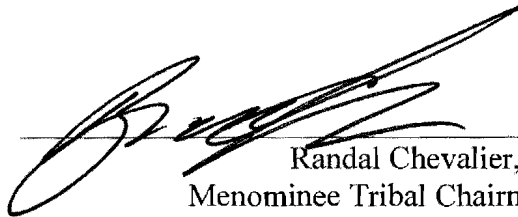
The act of the majority of the members present at a meeting at which a quorum is present shall be the act of the committee.

ARTICLE IX – SUB-COMMITTEES:

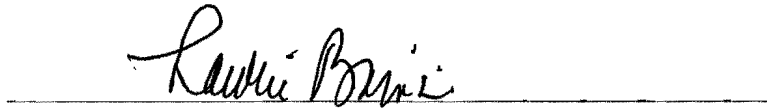
The Committee may create any sub-committees which it deems necessary to carry out its duties.

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By Menominee Tribal Legislature motion dated: May 5, 2011 the aforementioned Governmental Affairs Committee Bylaws were adopted.



Randal Chevalier,
Menominee Tribal Chairman/date



Laurie Boivin,
Governmental Affairs Committee Chairwoman/date