



TRIBAL COURT–STATE COURT FORUM

MINUTES OF OPEN MEETING

August 8, 2024

12:15 - 1:15 p.m.

Virtual

Advisory Body Members Present: Hon. Abby Abinanti (Cochair), Hon. April Attebury, Hon. Richard Blake, Mr. Christopher Haug, Hon. Lawrence King, Hon. Devon Lomayesva, Hon. Nicholas Mazanec, Hon. Dorothy McLaughlin, Hon. April Olson, Hon. Mark Ralphs, Hon. Victorio Shaw, Ms. Christina Snider, Hon. Dean Stout, Hon. Alison Tucher, Hon. Christine Williams.

Advisory Body Members Absent: Hon. Joyce Hinrichs (Cochair), Hon. Leonard Edwards (Ret.), Hon. Ana España, Hon. Tara Flanagan, Hon. Joni Hiramoto, Hon. Winston Keh, Hon. Patricia Lenzi, Hon. Kristina Lindquist, Ms. Merri Lopez-Keifer, Ms. Andrea Pella, Hon. Stephen Place, Hon. Joseph Wiseman.

Others Present: Ms. Vida Castaneda, Ms. Laura Collins, Ms. Charli Depner, Ms. Audrey Fancy, Ms. Ann Gilmour, Ms. Leela Kapur, Ms. Amanda Morris, Ms. Christy Simons, Mr. Corby Sturges.

OPEN MEETING

Call to Order and Roll Call

The chair called the meeting to order at 12:18 p.m. and took roll call.

Approval of Minutes

The advisory body reviewed and approved the minutes of the April 11, 2024, Tribal Court–State Court Forum meeting. Motion to approve by Judge Richard Blake and seconded by Judge Lawrence King.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS (ITEMS 1–2)

Item 1

CARE Act

Presenters: Anne Hadreas, Supervising Attorney, Judicial Council of California, and Laura Collins, MSW, LICSW, Principal, Health Management Associates

Ms. Anne Hadreas and Ms. Laura Collins gave a presentation on the CARE (Community Assistance, Recovery, and Empowerment Act) act. Topics covered were a detailed explanation of the CARE act, the roles Health Management Associates, the Judicial Council, and tribal entities play in implementation, and the current timeline for implementation by December 1, 2024. Concern was raised about how the CARE act implementation team is communicating and involving tribes in the process. Ms. Collins agreed to follow up with her liaison list.

Item 2

Annual Agenda input/development

Presenter: Ann Gilmour, Attorney, Judicial Council of California

Ms. Ann Gilmour informed the committee of plans for the next annual agenda and requested input from members for any new items they wish to be included or discussed. She also informed members that all currently scheduled in-person meetings or conferences are canceled due to budget cuts. Committee members stated that they had experienced issues in having orders issued by their tribal courts that related to conservatorship or adult protective proceedings recognized and enforced. This would be a good issue for the Forum to consider addressing.

A D J O U R N M E N T

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:10 p.m.

Approved by the advisory body on October 10, 2024.