

**Ontario NEIHR Theme Leaders/Elders Meeting**

**3:00pm-4:00pm 21 April 2021 via zoom**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89599078860?pwd=TFVTL0wxb2h1VXJNanlITytBbEZlZz09>

**MINUTES**

**In attendance**

Dr. Suzanne Stewart, Dr. Rod McCormick, Dr. Holly Graham, Dr. Jeffery Ansloos, Pauline Shirt, Clay Shirt, Luana Shirt, Wendy Phillips, Adriana Gonzalea, Roy Strebel,

**Regrets**

**Opening Prayer**

Luana Shirt

ITEM	DISCUSSION	RECOMMENDATION/MOTION/ACTION
Luana - Spiritual opening  Individual Check ins		
2. Group Updates	Rod: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Ideas for steps moving forwards:</li><li>- Incorporating traditional medicines and healing in biomedical care.</li><li>- RQ: Are traditional healing incorporated into medical care? **</li><li>- RQ: Traditional building structures that work for climate they were developed in. In Hawaii, people are certified as knowledgeable in building traditional structures, ties to teachings. How can structures be used for haling in urban spaces?</li><li>- Angela has been doing a scoping review of food systems and climate change (work with the University in Kenya)</li><li>- TIJIH project</li><li>- Angela has been providing land-based courses- she is going to find funding for these courses. Working on pre/post siurveys.</li></ul>	

- Rod will be looking at environment (internet cut out here)

Holly:

- There is an EDI (equity, diversity and inclusion)
- They hired an RA that is working on anti-racism and diversity policy (some of the NEIHR money is being used to top RA's money up)
- Muskane First Nation: want to do a Cree community project based on Cree laws. Want to have it infused through all their systems- want to create a manual so the knowledge is not lost. Not sure if they want to publish or keep it for themselves. First gathering for that took place in January.

Jeff: FNIIB mental health study

- Assess provider's readiness
- Types of differences across provinces
- Two students working on literature review on this topic and evaluation on the service offered through FNIHB

\*Jeffrey to follow up on PMO and Indigenous Services advisory table

- Jeffrey to chair subcommittee
- Rod has contacts with ADM and DM (Tom and Evan)? Will contact them?
- Can have a meeting like this at the end of the summer or beginning of fall. Provider surveys will be out at that time.
- On theme group:
- Have not met as anthem group in the last month.
- Lancet report on Indigenous suicide report: first round drafted. Will send out for feedback. Worked with folks from Australia, NZ, Norway, and also US.
- Just hired summer research staff to work on complex case study project. Working on scoping review (will be done by end of summer), then will launch community based research engagement in the fall

3. Spring Gathering	- To be held April 30 2021 from 10:00am to 12:00pm, and Part 2 to be held on May 7, 2021 from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm.	
4. Webinar	- Rod's webinar is nex (May 2021)	
4. Concluding statements/n ext steps and Spiritual Closing- Elder Luana	- Next meeting date – Wednesday, May 19, 2021, 3-4pm	