

MCT CONSTITUTIONAL REFORM DRAFTING COMMITTEE

Date: 7/16/24 Time: 6 PM

Facilitator: Carol J.

Present: Raymond B., Julie H-C

1. **Elections:**

- There is a need for a new election Ordinance. Attorney Brodeen will meet with selected delegates from each band to draft this document.
- Raymond noted his concerns about using machines, cheating, and expense.
- The governing bodies must understand the Constitution in tribal governance, focusing on revising the Alliance constitution.

2. **Intertribal Treaties:**

- The Delegates at the last Convention questioned whether tribes could still enter Treaties with other tribes after the U.S. stopped treaty-making in 1871. Carol did some research for evidence that Tribes can enter into a Treaty. **See Attachment.**

3. **Tribal sovereignty, constitutional issues, and government accountability.**

- The committee discussed government violations and lack of knowledge of constitutional rights.
- The committee discussed problems with the current Constitution and the desire for sovereignty, including divorcing from the Federal government.

4. **Resignation of the tribal executive director, Beth Drost.**

- She resigned due to false statements she made about the TEC chairperson, F. Jackson.

5. Alliance Document

- Raymond mentioned that some members may be trying to undermine the group's efforts.
- Carol encouraged the group to keep moving forward with plans.

Next meeting: 7/23/2024 at 6 PM