The Maryland Commission on Indian Affairs

Conference Call/Virtual
7:00 pm – 7:30 pm
Friday, February 2, 2024

AGENDA – MCIA Special Call Meeting for 2024 Theme of the Year & Genealogist for the Notoweega Petition & Wye Ossuary

Statement:
"A part or all of a meeting may be conducted in closed session"

Meeting is via ZOOM:
https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZ0vduqsrDouHtSVvMaHCor1cdewsHM4ncnM

I. Call to Order – Madam Chair Tiara Thomas

II. Invocation – requested by Madam Chair Tiara Thomas

III. Overview & Comments - Administrative Director Keith Colston
- **a. Review of process**
- **b. Updates on Wye Ossuary**

IV. Call for Motion to vote (2024 Theme of the Year) – Madam Chair Tiara Thomas

- **a. Discussion of the following themes suggested at the SPS meeting.**
  - **Making History**
  - **Reclaiming Our Culture**
  - **Indigenizing Maryland**
  - **Reclaiming Our Culture and Making History**
  - **Reclaiming Our Culture – Past, Present, and Future**
  - **Ambassadors to Indigenous Voices**
  - **Preservation through Partnership, Maryland's Indigenous Communites**
- **b. Reading of vote – Cheryl Madigan**

V. Call for Motion to vote (Genealogist) – Madam Chair Tiara Thomas

- **a. Discussion on the choices of Genealogists for the Notoweega Petition for Maryland Indian Status.**
  - **Jeanne Portor Barton – Emphasis on the colonial Chesapeake**
  - **Alexa Klimes Corcoran - Experience in MD and the mid-Atlantic**
  - **Robert A. Rice – General experience**

  https://guide.msa.maryland.gov/pages/viewer.aspx?page=genealogists
- **b. Reading of vote – Cheryl Madigan**

VI. Motion to Adjourn
- **a. Adjournment**