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VCNAA MEETING AGENDA

February 12, 2020 1:00 P.M. – 4:00 P.M. 1 National Life Drive, Montpelier, VT

- 1. Changes to Agenda (5min)
- 2. Approve January 8, 2020 Minutes (5min)
- 3. Recognition of guests (5 min)

OLD BUSINESS

- 1. Legislative updates on Commission sponsored bills and other State House happenings Brian Cina (20 min.)
- H.880 An act relating to Abenaki place names on State park signs
- H.897 An act relating to the repatriation of traditional Abenaki lands
- H.918 An act relating to Native American cultural and religious freedom (short form)
- 2. Legislative Permitting Rich Holschuh (5 min)

NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Natural Resources Diversity & Equity assistance/support with Abenaki signage Aaron Marcus (5 min)
- 2. Discussing possibilities of holding press conferences for Commission and interested parties to create inclusivity on legislation Brian Cina (20 min)
- 3. Indigenous Feminist Anti-Imperialism opportunity/request Paul Fassler (5 min)
- 4. AmeriCorp resources for Vermont Native American Tribes (email from Philip Kolling) Carol McGranaghan (5 min)
- 5. Vermont Care Partners (VCP) conference Joanne Crawford (5 min)
- 6. 7th Generation proposal on partnership Jeff Benay (30 min)
- 7. Other bills before the legislature:
 - H.716 An act relating to Abenaki hunting and fishing licenses
 - H.407 An act relating to creating the Vermont Native American Scholarship Program
 - H.212 An act relating to creating the Office of Native American Affairs
 - H.178 An act relating to exempting real property associated with a State-recognized Indian tribe from property taxation
- 8. Announcements (15 min)
- 9. Public comment (15 min)