Native Languages Working Group

Sunday, October 18, 2015
1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Meeting Room TBD

Working Group Co-Chairs:
Joe Garcia, Ohkay Owingeh Pueblo
Jerry Isaac, Native Village of Tanacross

1. Opening Prayer

2. Welcome and Introductions

3. Legislative Discussion:
   a. Elementary and Secondary Education Act Reauthorization:
      i. Every Child Achieves Act, S. 1177
      ii. Student Success Act, H.R. 5
   b. Native Language Legislation:
      i. Native American Languages Reauthorization Act of 2015, S. 1163
         & H.R. 2174
      ii. Native Language Immersion Student Achievement Act: S. 1419
      iii. Cultural Integrity Commitment Act, S.B. 272 & H.B. 559
           1. Jonathan Windy Boy, Montana State Senator

   a. Ron Lessard, Chief of Staff - WHIAIANE

5. Native Languages in Higher Education – Dakota Alliance
   a. Cynthia Lindquist, Chair - AIHEC Board of Directors

6. Film: Rising Voices Hothaninpi; Revitalizing the Lakota Language
   a. Wil Meya, Executive Director - Language Conservancy

7. Closing Prayer