December 24, 1999

ITEMS FOR THE ATTENTION OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF THE B.I.A.

FROM THE SHEEP RANCH (RANCHERIA) MIWOK INDIAN TRIBE OF CALIFORNIA.

- 1. Constution and By-Laws
- 2. Enrollment Applications
- 3. Enrollment of new members into the Tribe
- 4. List of names of new members
- 5. Minutes of last Meeting at the office of the Tribe at Sheep Camp, California .
- 6. Copies of correspondence sent to the B.I.A. by Yakima K. Dixie the Chairperson.
- 7. Letter of introduction from the Tribe to the B.I.A. stating the purpose of our meeting .
- 8. Copy of letter sent by the B.I.A., to the Chairperson, Yakima K. Dixie, requesting more information in general concerning the operation of the Tribe.
- A notice sent to the B.I.A. claiming that the Chairperson, Yakima K. Dixie had resigned his office.
- 10. Plus a sundry of other papers apparently designed to mislead the officers of the B.I.A. into thinking that she, Sylvia Burley was the "new head of the Sheep Ranch (Rancheria) Miwok Indian Tribe of Sheep Ranch, California.

Rebecca Cuthill Secretary

CONSTITUTION

OF

SHEEP (RANCH (RANCHERIA) MIWOK INDIAN TRIBE OF CALIFORNIA

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CONSTITUTION

OF

SHEEP (RANCH (RANCHERIA) MIWOK INDIAN TRIBE OF CALIFORNIA

PREAMBLE

WE THE PEOPLE OF THE SHEEP RANCH (RANCHERIA) MIWOK INDIAN TRIBE, HERIN REFERRED TO AS THE "SHEEP RANCH (RANCHERIA) BAND OF MIWOK INDIANS OF CALIFORNIA, IN ORDER TO ESTABLISH TRIBAL GOVERNMENTAL POWERS AND PRIVILEGES, AND TO PROMOTE THE HEALTH, EDUCATION, AND GENERAL WELFARE OF THE MEMBERS OF THE "TRIBE" AND TO ADMINISTER CHARITY AND OTHER SERVICES AS MAY CONTRIBUTE TO THE SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC ADVANCEMENT OF THE "TRIBE" AND ITS MEMBERS, DO HEREBY ORDAIN AND ESTABLISH THIS CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I - TERRITORY

THE TERRITORIAL JURISDICTION OF THE "BAND" SHALL INCLUDE ALL OF THAT LAND KNOWN AND DESIGNATED AS BEING, THE "SHEEP RANCH (RANCHERIA) OF THE MIWOK INDIAN TRIBE RECORDED IN THE RECORDERS OFFICE OF CALAVERAS COUNTY, CALIFORNIA. IT IS THE ONLY FEDERALLY RECOGNIZED (RANCHERIA) IN CALAVERAS COUNTY. A COPY OF THE ENGINEERS MAP OF THE (RANCHERIA) IS ATTACHED.

ARTICLE II- MEMBERSHIP

The Membership of the Band shall consist of the following;

- (a) All persons are members who were listed as distributees and dependent members of their immediate families in the plan for the Distribution of the Assets of the Assets of the Sheep Ranch (Rancheria), approved by the Associate Commissioner of Indian Affairs on October 12, 1966.
- (b) Lineal descendants of individuals who qualify under paragraph(a) shown above.
- (c) All persons that were Enrolled and given membership by the last living distributee of the original band of the Sheep Camp (Rancheria) Miwok Band of indians, namely YAKIMA KENNETH DIXIE.
- (d) All persons, in the future, to become members must be approved by the Chairperson and the Tribal Council and enrolled with their prior approval.

ELECTION -- IV

(a) The Tribal Council Officers shall be elected at the Annual Meeting, held for the election purposes, by the Tribal Council and the General Council members. Except as provided by (b) Article III, for the filling of vacancies which may occur during the year, the Tribal Council Officers shall hold office until the next Annual meeting, until their successors are elected. Elections shall be held on the 3rd Saturday of January, each year.

MEETING -- V

(a) Regular meetings of the Tribal Council Officers shall be held without call at 12 Noon, on the third Saturday of each month at 11178 School Drive, Sheep Ranch (Rancheria) California 95250, or at any place which shall be designated from time to time by resolution of the Tribal Council, or by a written consent of all members of the Tribal Council. Notice of such meeting is hereby dispensed with.

OUORUM VI

(a) Three (3) of the authorized number of Tribal Council Officers shall be necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

ARTICLE VII

Officers

The Officers of this Tribe shall be a Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, a Secretary, and a Treasurer, who shall be chosen by the members of the General Council. Each of said officers shall serve until he or she shall resign, or be removed or become disqualified, or until his or her successor shall be elected.

He shall:

- 3. Employ and discharge , subject to the approval of the Tribal Council, such agents and employees as the business of Tribe shall from time to time require, and prescribe their duties, terms of employment, and
- 4. Exercise such other powers and perform such other duties as may be prescribed by the Tribal Council and these By-Laws.

In the absence or incapacity of the Chairperson, the Vice-Chairperson, shall perform the duties as may be prescribed for him by the Governing Body of the Tribal Council. When presiding he/she shall have all the rights, privileges, and duties as well as responsibilities of the Chairperson.

Secretary

The Secretary shall;

- Keep a Book of Minutes at the Tribes principal office or such other places as the Tribal Council Officers shall order, of all meetings of the Tribal Council and the General Council in the form and manner required by law;
- Keep at the Tribes principal office open to inspection (2) by Tribal members at all reasonable times, the original or a Certified copy of the By-Laws of the Tribe as amended or otherwise altered to date;
- (3) Keep the Corporate Seal and affix it to all papers and documents requiring a Seal;
- Attend to the giving and serving of all notices of the (4)Tribe required by law, or these By-Laws to be given;
- Attend to such correspondence as may be assigned to this office and perform all other duties incidential to this office or prescribed by the Tribal Council or by law.

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Treasurer

The Treasurer shall;

(1) Keep and maintain open to inspection by any member of the Tribal Council at all reasonable times, adequate and correct accounts of the properties and business transactions of the Tribe, which shall include all matters required by law and be in form as required by law;

(2) Have the care and custody of the funds and valuables of the Tribe and deposit same in the name of and to the credit of the Tribe with such depositaries as the

Tribal Council may desiginate;

(3) Disburse the funds of the Tribe as he or she may be ordered by the General Council, taking proper vouchers

for such disbursement;

- (4) Render to the Chairperson, the Vice-Chairperson, or to Secretary to the Tribal Council whenever they may require it, an account of all of his transactions as Treasurer, and a financial statement in form satisfactory to them, showing the condition of the Tribes finances;
- (5) Have such other powers and perform such other duties as may be prescribed by the Tribal Council.

Special

Special meetings of members for any purpose whatsoever may be called at anytime by the Chairperson, or others of the Tribal Council, or by one-fourth or more members of the Tribe. Such meetings may be held at the principal office of the Tribe or at any place within the State designated by written consent of the members entitled to vote thereat, or by the Tribal Council pursuant to authority granted to the Tribal Council in and by these By-Laws.

Amendments

These By-Laws, or any particular one of these By-Laws, may be amended or repealed or new By-Laws may be adopted by the vote of members entitled to exercise their voting right. as the qualified voters of Sheep Ranch (Rancheria)

This Constitution may be amended by a majority vote of the qualified voters of Sheep Ranch (Rancheria), voting in an election called for that purpose by the Secretary of the Interior or his authorized representative, provided that at least 30% of those entitled to vote shallvote in such election, but no amendment shall become effective until approved by the secretary of the Interior or his duly authorized representative.

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Rules of Duplicate Membership

Any person who is eligible for membership, by enrollment in the Sheep Ranch (Rancheria) Miwok Band of Indians and who is a member of another Tribe, must relinquish membership in the other Tribe on the effective date of his or her enrollment as a member of the Sheep Camp (Rancheria) Miwok Indian Tribe. Provided, nothing in this provision shall be construed in any way to require the relinquishment of any property acquired by purchase, allotment, bequest, inheritance, assignment, or other manner of acquisition.

Any person who wishes to withdraw from membership in the Tribe must submit a written withdrawl notice to the Tribal Council Chairperson who shall direct the enrollment committee to adjust the enrollment records accordingly. Withdrawl is final. No re-applications are permitted.

The General Council shall have the power to adopt ordinances consistent with this Constitution governing future membership, loss of membership and the adoption of members into the Tribe.

Article VII -- ENUMERATED POWERS OF THE TRIBAL COUNCIL

- (1) Powers and responsibilities;
 To administer any funds or property within the control of the Tribe for the benefit of the Tribe and its members, officers, or employees; and to allocate tribal funds as loans or grants and to transfer tribal property and other assets to tribal organizations for such use as the Tribal Council may determine.
- (2) To employ legal counsel on behalf of the Tribe, the choice of counsel and fixing of fees to be subject to the approval of the Secretary of the Interior or his authorized representative.
- (3) To sue on behalf of the Tribe and be sued provided such suit is consented to by waiver of sovereign immunity; provided no waiver of sovereign immunity shall be made by the Tribal Council without the express prior approval by a majority of the General Council, voting thereon at a meeting duly called and noticed for that express purpose, or at a regularly scheduled meeting.

- (4) Employ consultants for the protection and advancement of the interest of the Tribe and its members.
- (5) To form or join existing Tribal Courts, consortiums, or Indian organizations dealing with the "INDIAN CHILD WELFARE ACT OF 1978 (25 US.C. 1901 <u>et. seq.</u> and to reassume jurisdiction over Indian child custody proceedings as authorized by the Indian Child Welfare Act (25 U.S.C. 1918).
- (6) To form or join a Tribal Judicial System or Regulatory agency and promulgate tribal Court Rules.
- (7) To create and regulate subordinate org anization; and to delegate to such organizations, or to any subordinate boards or officials of the Tribe, any of the foregoing powers, reserving the right to review and rescind any action taken by virtue of such delegated powers.
- (8) To form or join an existing Housing Authority.

The Tribal Council shall have all of the appropriate powers necessary to implement specific provisions of this Constitution and to effectively govern.

OTHER DUTIES OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL GOVERNING BODY

- (1) The only limitation on their duties are those limitation imposed by this Constitution and By-Laws and the laws of of the United States:
- (a) To negotiate with Federal , State, local and Tribal governments on behalf of the Tribe; to consult with the U.S. Department of Interior which may affect the Tribe; and to advise the Secretary of the Interior on all Federal projects for the benefit of the Sheep Ranch (Rancheria) Niwok Indian Tribe.
- (b) To encourage and foster arts, crafts, traditions, and culture and ancient lore of the Tribe.

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- (c) To promulgate and enforce resolutions or ordinances, providing for the manner of making, holding, and revoking assignments of the Sheep Ranch (Rancheria) land; providing for the levying of taxes and the appropriation of available Tribal funds for public purposes; and for the exclusion of undesirable persons.
- (d) To promulyate and enforce ordinances on such subjects as the activity of the Tribe may require as are not inconsistent with this Constitution.
- (e) To borrow money and provide for the repayment thereof, manage all economic affairs and enterprises, negotiate and contract on behalf of the Tribe, and create Tribal owned corporations.
- (f) To initiate, approve, grant or reject any acquisition, disposition lease, or encumbrance of Tribal land or or property; to manage, protect, and preserve all lands, minerals, wildlife, and other natural resources of the Sheep Ranch (Rancheria); to initiate and administer land development projects for the entire (Rancheria).
- (y) To create and maintain a reasonable Tribual fund for administrative expenses of the Tribe and to provide for remuneration of Tribal Council membes and Tribal officials as may be required.

ARTICLE VIII -- ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

THE TRIBE IN EXERCISING ITS POWERS OF SELF-GOVERNMENT SHALL NOT:

- (a) Make or enforce nay law prohibiting the full exercise of religion, or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press, or the right of the people to peaceably assemble and to petition for redress of grievances;
- (b) Violate the right of the people to be secure in their persons, houses, papers, and effects against unreasonable search and seizure, nor issue warrants, but upon probable cause, supported by oath or affirmation, and particularly describing the place to be searched and the person or thing to be seized;
- (c) Subject any person for the same offense to be twice put into jeopardy;

- (d) Compel any person in any criminal case to be a witness against himself;
- (e) Take any private property for a public use without just and fair compensation;
- (f) Deny to any person in a criminal proceeding the right to a speedy trial, to be informed of the nature and cause of the accusation, to be confronted with the witnesses against him, to nave compulsory process for obtaining witnesses in his favor, and at his ownexpense, to have the assistance of counsel for his defence;
- (y) Require excessive bail, impose excessive fines, inflict cruel and unusual punishments, and in no event impose for conviction of any one offense any penalty or punishment greater than imprisonment for a term of six (6) months or a fine of \$500.00 or poth;
- (h) Deny to any person within its jurisdiction the equal protection of its laws or deprive any person of their legal rights without due process of laws;
- (i) Pass any bill of attainder or ex post facto law;
- (j) Deny to any person accused of an offense punishable by imprisonment the right, upon request, to a trial by jury of not less than six (6) persons.

ARTICLE IX -- SEVERABILITY

If any provision of This Constitution shall, in the future, be declared invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the invalid provision or provisions shall be severed and the remaining provisions shall continue in full force and effect.

KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENT:

I, THE UNDERSIGNED AND DULY ELECTED AND ACTING SECRETARY OF





ENROLLMENT APPLICATION

SHEEP RANCH (RANCHERIA) MIWOK INDIAN TRIBE OF CALIFORNIA POST OFFICE BOX NO. 41 , SHEEP RANCH, CALIFORNIA 95250

RE: Request enrollment as an adopted Member of the Sheep Ranch (Rancheria), Miwok Indian Tribe of California.

Name LYNDA JO Deve STALLEN BERGER/GIUNTOL'

I believe that if I am accepted I can confer benefits upon this Tribe equal to that of the other Members.

I will also faithfully abide by those rules and regulations imposed by the By-Laws that govern the day to day affairs of the Sheep Ranch (Rancheria), Miwok Indian Tribe of the State of California.

8-30-52

SIGNATURE

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signed on 10-5-99

ENROLLMENT OF A NEW TRIBAL MEMBER-

By the authority as well as the power vested in me by the Constitution and the By-Laws of the Sheep Ranch (Rancheria) Miwok Indians Of California, I, Yakima Kenneth Digie, 111 my capacity as Chairperson, of the General Council, Governing Body of the Sheep Ranch (Rancheria) Miwok Indians of California, do... hereby enroll Lace Clinton Springer

as a Tribal Member .

FOR THE INFORMATION OF NEW MEMBERS

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DATED:

YAKIMA KENNETH DIXIE

CHAIR PERSON

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Name Wade Clinton Springer

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I will also faithfully abide by those rules and regulations imposed by the By-Laws that govern the day to day affairs of the Sheep Ranch (Rancheria), Miwok Indian Tribe of the State of California.

Born ____ 5-31-66

SIGNATURE Wal C. Spring

signed on 12-33-99

ENROLLMENT OF A NEW TRIBAL MEMBER.

By the authority as well as the power vested in me by the Constitution and the By-Laws of the Sheep Ranch (Rancheria)

Miwok Indians Of California, I, Yakima Kenneth Dixie, in my capacity as Chairperson, of the General Council, Governing Body of the Sheep Ranch (Rancheria) Miwok Indians of California, do... hereby enroll REBECCA LYNN CUTHILL

as a Tribal Member .

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DATED:

YAKIMA KENNETH DIXIE

CHAIR PERSON

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CHAIR PERSON

ENROLLMENT OF A NEW TRIBAL MEMBER &

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as a Tribal Member .

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DATED:

YAKIMA KENNETH DIXIE CHAIR PERSON

ENROLLMENT OF A NEW TRIBAL MEMBER.

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Miwok Indians Of California, I, Yakima Kenneth Dixie, in my capacity as Chairperson, of the General Council, Governing Body of the Sheep Ranch (Rancheria) Miwok Indians of California, do... hereby enroll

as a Tribal Member .

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DATED:

Oct 15-89

YAKIMA KENNETH DIXIE

CHAIR PERSON

(A)

MINUTES OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL METTING OF

"THE SHEEP RANCH (RANCHERIA) MIWOK INDIAN TRIBE"

HELD DECEMBER 11, 1999

mais secting of the	Board of the General C	cuncil	and the	Tribal
Members was held on	the above date, commenci	ng at	abbroyer	IGCETA
12 o'clock Noon, at	11178 School Street,	Sheep	Ranch,	California

Present and attending were these Memb	
DENNIS WILLIAM BLANCEY	BETTY FLORENCE LEWIS
RUTH ALICE SORONDO	TOBIAS LEWIS
REBECCA CUTHILL	LYNDA SMALLENBERGER/GIRINTOLI
Absent:	
HALEY JO BLANCEY	DEREK BLANCEY
ROCKY MC KAY	YVONNE MC KAY

The meeting was called to order by Yakima Kenneth Dixie, Chairperson.

There being no elected Secretary present, upon a motion duly made and seconded and passed a Temporary Secretary was appointed, for this one meeting. The name of the Secretary appointed was Rebecca Cuthill.

The Acting Secretary certified that there was present a quorum of members and that the meeting could lawfully proceed (i.e., notices naving been duly given or having been waived by non-attending members or their approval being attached hereto, or notice not being required).

In the absence of a quorum at the last meeting at Sheep ranch, (Rancheria) for the Miwok Indian Tribe, that were no minutes of any prior meetings available for distribution to the members present.

The Chairperson noted that the time was at hand for the Annual Election of General Council Officers, to serve for the next twelve months, and upon that observation he invited members to select candidates for the offices of, (a) Chairperson, (b) Vice-Chairperson, (c) Secretary, (d) Treasurer and (e) Sergeant-at-Arms for all official business meetings, and to present their respective names in nomination for these offices.

Upon motions duly made and seconded and passed, a list of all of the candidates were taken by the Secretary and she was charged with the responsibility of counting the votes received by the candidates for each office. The election was then held, and the names of the four candidates that prevailed were as follows;

- 2, Vice- Chairperson..... Rocky Mc Kay
- 3. Secretary..... Rebecca Cuthill
- 4. Treasurer..... Lynda Smallenberger/Girintoli
- 5. Sergeant-at-Arms..... Dennis William Blancey

The Secretary gave the list of her vote counts to the Chairperson and he accepted her figures and certified that the vote was true and correct, and asked each elected officer to take their chair.

The Chairperson open the floor for discussion among members on matters that needed resolving, at this particular meeting. They were as follows;

- To take all of the updated documents pertaining to the General Council, the members and the Tribe in general, and to have such a package assembled and presented to the B.I.A. Superintendent before Christmas, personally by the Chairperson, Yakima K. dixie;
- 2. To obtain approval from the General Council Board, to designate Rocky Mc Kay, the Vice-Chairperson, to sit in the Chairperson chair, in his absence, as approved by the Tribal By-Laws.
 - 3. To obtain approval from the members to allow all of the General Council Officers to use the (Rancheria) office for their use when needed, and to obtain an auto and register it to the Tribe and to also place it at the disposal of the same Officers for their travels.

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- 4. To nold the next monthly meeting on January 20, 2000 at the office of the (Rancheria) at 11178 School Street, Sheep Ranch, California starting at 12 o'clock noon.
- 5. To enroll Bill Martin and Le Roi R. Chapelle as Honorary Tribal Members of the Sheep Ranch (Rancheria) Miwok Indian Tribe of California, entitled to all of the rights extended and all of the benefits provided that are granted by the B.I.A., to all members of the Tribe, with the exception of being allowed to vote on Tribal matters.

Following discussion of the above proposals, it was moved, seconded and passed.

Reported Actions Approved and Confirmed

RESOLVED: That the actions taken by the General Council Officers as reported to this meeting, above, including all memoranda of them in the Tribal records are hereby ratified, confirmed and approved.

Proposal # 1	F e	Proposal # 2	
Proposal # 3		Proposal # 4	
Proposal # 5			_
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The undersigned General Council Officers whether or not attending the foregoing meeting, hereby; (a) waive notice of the meeting, and (b) consent to and ratify all actions taken by the Officers of the General Council as reported in the foregoing minutes:

Grainperson ... Specia Cithell Secretary

Vice-Person

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Treasurer