

# Gravelle reviews board action items



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Hello, during our last board meeting we received a removal petition from the membership. The board voted to send it out for external legal review. This would remove any of the internal pol-

itics that may occur during this review and lets the public know this an unbiased opinion that is being submitted for board action.

The JKL School Board and JKL Fiduciary are moving forward with plans to build a new gym facility for the JKL School. We have been working closely with the JKL School Board based on a survey it completed. A new gym was the number one priority. The gym the school has now is not sufficient for the number of students who attend the school. This could promote healthier programs that would be readily available to the students right on campus and eliminate the need to bus students to the Big Bear for gym class. This would also encourage more students to stay for middle school because they will have the facility to promote

JKL team sports.

As a grantee of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Partnerships to Improve Community Health and Good Health and Wellness in Indian Country grants, the tribe works within the communities of the Eastern Upper Peninsula on policy, systems and environmental change, to reduce commercial tobacco use and increase access to physical activity, nutritious foods, and smoke-free environments.

Sault Tribe Community Health will host the “UP4Health Summit,” its third conference on Mackinac Island at Mission Point Resort, Sept. 14-16. This summit will provide information, guidance and technical assistance to communities and others interested in promoting health and wellness

in schools, worksites and communities, enabling healthy choices and environments. For more information, please call Sault Tribe Community Health at (906) 632-5210.

Further, board member DJ Hoffman, submitted a request for an Economic Development Capacity (EDC) Building grant which will fund an EDC position and staffing. Our goal is to support diversification of businesses to help support our tribe into the future. Thank you for taking the initiative to get this project rolling. It has been left on the back burner for too long.

If you have any questions or comments you can contact me at (906) 203-6083 or at [kkgravelle@saulttribe.net](mailto:kkgravelle@saulttribe.net).

Thank you,  
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