Welcome & Opening Prayer – Francis Gray (Piscataway-Conoy)
Review of Agenda Items
AISES Introduction – Sara Echohawk
  o Thanked USPTO for hosting the summer GRC Meeting
  o Member Introductions
Policy and International Affairs – Ms. Susan Anthony, Acting Director Tribal Policy
  o Trademark/Patents/Policy & International Affairs
  o Agency Tribal Council Liaison
  o Offer small business with information and support
  o Attend American Indian Tourist Conference to discuss Patent Process
  o Met with Navajo Nation to discuss small business and patent policy
  o Provides Copyright & Trademark Support to Tribal Governments
  o Tribal Enigmas Databases - Record sign of federal and state Tribal Nations
    ▪ 42 enigmas registered, lack of knowledge of database exists
    ▪ No cost in registering
  o Denver (Satellite Office for USPTO)
  o Trademark/Copyright/Patent Right Protection
Patent Process – Mr. Anthony (Tony) Knight, Acting Associate Commissioner for Innovation Development
  o Working on patent backlog
  o 618,330 patents filled, 329,613 Issued, 429 Trademark Examining Attorneys
  o Trademark Classification
    ▪ ™ (Common), State, Federal (USPTO)
    ▪ Copyright once it is recorded digital or written
    ▪ Copyright has benefits (Attorney Fees, damages, etc.)
  o Patents – 17 years, design patents – 15 years, all other long time
  o Patent Scope: Too Specific (Not Valuable) -- Invention – Too General (Not Patentable)
  o What is patentable?
    ▪ New, useful, non-obvious, enabled & clearly described
    ▪ Burden is on the Patent Owner, not USPTO
  o Education to Public
    ▪ Webinar
    ▪ Conference/Seminars
    ▪ IP Awareness Tool
- Smithsonian Collaboration
  o ProBono
     - Free legal assistant inventors
  o Scam Prevention
     - Non USPTO
     - Innovation Research
  o USPTO takes fees, no tax money to pay for their budget
- Summer Intern Panel – See Intern Panel Summary Notes (Provided by Sydney Cain: Senior Shareholder Programs Administrator & Corporate Communications Associate – ASRC Federal)
- Lunch Speaker – Mr. Torry Johnson (NASA Tribal College/University Program Manager)
- NASA Goddard Space Flight Center
  o Rock On – a Wallops Flight Facility (WFF) that brings rocker engineering teams together annually
    - Funding available for kits and travel
    - Each team has a mentor
    - 7-10 days at WFF – goal launch a rocket with payload
  o NASA GSFC partners with Southwestern Indian Polytechnic Institute (SIPI), Haskell University, funds tribal colleges and STEM engagement activities through grants, internships
  o Utilize opportunities and continue engagement with the community
  o Make sure professional development is addressed, such as public speaking, working in a group
  o Learn from young professionals and listen about their experience
  o Develop targeted and mutual relationships that have mutual benefit
- AISES Overview/Status – Sarah EchoHawk (AISES)
  o Timing of GRC Meeting
    - Based on data, concluded that the 3rd or 4th week of June maybe the best dates to have the summer meeting
  o Fall GRC Meeting
    - State of AISES
      - Efforts to reorganize and revitalize
      - 2015 organization goals
    - Meeting Date: November 19, 2015 8am
      - Formalized Membership
      - Update Regional Structure
      - Annual State of AISES Brief-Out
  o Events
• National Conference Dates: Phoenix (2015), Minneapolis (2016)
• Leadership Summit: March 2016
• Virtual Science Fair
• Regional Science Bowls
• Scholarship & Internships
  o New Endeavors
    • National Conference Mobile App Competition (New)
    • Robotics (New)
    • Pathways to STEM Faculty (New)
    • Pathways to Industry (In Development)
    • Pathways to Inventor Competition (In-Development)
  o AISES Structure
    • Board of Directors (Nine Members & Two Students)
    • Five Board Committees (Open to anyone)
    • Working with SACNAS
      • Have 2 positions in DC for AISES
    • New Mexico HQ & Colorado Field Office
    • AISES Integrational Model
      • Regional vs. Central (HQ)
    • Looking for Government applicants for Board of Directors
    • Opportunity Expo – Ways to support AISES
  o Mr. Russ Slifer, Deputy Under Secretary/Deputy Director – USPTO
    • Support STEM initiative
    • Four regional offices
    • Patent Pro-Bono Program
      • 20 states signed up in 2014
      • All 50 states in 2015
    • Camp Invention – Invent Now
      • 200,000 students