



DAVID Z. BEAN

BIO

David Bean is presently serving in his third term as an elected member of the Puyallup Tribal Council, the Governing body of the Puyallup Tribe of Indians. Bean is the NW Delegate for the National Indian Gaming Association (NIGA). Bean is the Co-Chair of the Gaming Committee for the Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians (ATNI). Bean works tirelessly with Puyallup Tribal Staff and NW Tribal Leaders in the areas of Public Safety, Health Care, Education, Natural Resources Protection and Gaming.

As a leader in his own Tribal Community, Bean relies on the teachings from his mother, Gloria R. Bean, his elders and his education from the University of Puget Sound to guide him in preserving, supporting and protecting the Constitution and bylaws of the Puyallup Tribe and the Constitution of the United States.

Bean is an active member in his community spending much of his time with Elders and Youth of the Puyallup tribe. He participates regularly in cultural activities by drumming, singing and dancing with children throughout the community as well as within the NW Canoe Society. Bean promotes healthy, positive, and structured lifestyles for members of his community as well as strives to be a strong role model in promoting education.

As a child, Bean fished in his traditional waters with his parents. He continues that tradition today by participating in his tribal fisheries as a diver harvesting Geoducks.

Prior to serving on Tribal Council, Bean worked in the private sector as a small business owner/operator for six years.