



# Council of the Cherokee Nation

## Meeting Minutes

### Rules Committee

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Friday, August 17, 2007

9:00 AM

Legislative Conference Room

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#### SPECIAL SESSION

#### CALL TO ORDER

Chair Frailey called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

#### INVOCATION

Councilor Bill John Baker gave the invocation.

#### ROLL CALL

**Present** 16 - Bill John Baker; S. Joe Crittenden; David Thornton Sr. ; Don Garvin; Meredith Frailey; Cara Cowan Watts; Buel Anglen; Jack D. Baker; Tina Glory Jordan; Jodie Fishinghawk; Harley Buzzard; Curtis Snell; Chris Soap; Bradley Cobb; Chuck Hoskin, Jr. and Julia Coates

**Late Arrival** 1 - Janelle Fullbright

1. A LEGISLATIVE ACT AMENDING TITLE 19 "COUNCIL" §11 OF THE CHEROKEE NATION CODE ANNOTATED, AS AMENDED BY LEGISLATIVE ACT #4-95; RELATING TO ESTABLISHMENT OF STANDING COMMITTEES; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

*Councilor Jack Baker stated this Act moves the items discussed in the Employment Committee to the Rules Committee and move items discussed in the Language, History & Culture Committee into the Education Committee.*

**Councilor Jack Baker moved for the approval of the Act. Councilor Cowan Watts seconded the motion. Motion carried by acclamation.**

2. Selection of Committee Chair & Co-Chair:
  - Rules Committee
  - Executive & Finance Committee
  - Education Committee
  - Health Committee
  - Community Service Committee
  - Resources Committee
  - Employment Committee
  - Language, History, & Culture Committee

*Todd Hembree suggested the chairs that are elected today might consider meeting time of an hour and a half for the Education and Rules Committees.*

**Rules Committee: (Chair)**

Councilor Cowan Watts moved for Councilor Frailey to continue to serve as chair of the Rules Committee. Councilor Crittenden seconded the motion.

Councilor Bill Baker moved for the nomination of Tina Glory-Jordan to serve as chair of the Rules Committee. Councilor Thornton seconded the motion.

Councilor Bill Baker moved to have all nominations cease. Councilor Thornton seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Councilor Cowan Watts spoke to the nomination of Councilor Frailey.

Councilor Bill Baker spoke to the nomination of Councilor Tina Glory-Jordan.

The nomination of Councilor Frailey for Rules chair received ten (10) votes. The nomination of Councilor Glory-Jordan for Rules chair received seven (7) votes.

Motion carried for nomination of Councilor Frailey as Chair of Rules Committee

**Rules Committee: (Co-Chair)**

Councilor Cobb moved for nomination of Councilor Anglen as Co-Chair of Rules Committee. Councilor Cowan Watts seconded the motion.

Councilor Chuck Hoskin Jr. moved for nomination of Councilor Glory-Jordan as Co-Chair of Rules Committee. Councilor Fishinghawk seconded the motion.

Chair Frailey closed nominations.

Councilor Cobb spoke to the nomination of Councilor Anglen. Councilor Hoskin spoke to the nomination of Councilor Glory-Jordan.

The nomination of Councilor Anglen for Co-Chair of Rules Committee received ten (10) votes.

The nomination of Councilor Glory-Jordan for Co-Chair of Rules Committee received seven (7) votes.

Motion carried for nomination of Councilor Anglen as Rules Co-Chair of Rules Committee.

**Executive & Finance Committee: (Chair)**

Councilor Buzzard moved for the nomination of Councilor Jack Baker as Chair of the E&F Committee. Councilor Cowan Watts seconded the motion.

Councilor Bill Baker moved for nominations to cease.

Motion carried for Councilor Jack Baker to serve as Chair of E&F Committee.

**Executive & Finance: (Co-Chair)**

Councilor Cobb moved for the nomination of Councilor Cowan Watts as Co-Chair of E&F Committee. Councilor Anglen seconded the motion.

Councilor Glory-Jordan moved for the nomination of Council Bill Baker as Co-Chair of E&F Committee. Councilor Crittenden seconded the motion.

Chair Frailey closed nominations.

Councilor Cobb spoke to the nomination of Councilor Cowan Watts.  
Councilor Glory-Jordan spoke to the nomination of Councilor Bill Baker.

The nomination for Councilor Cowan Watts to serve as Co-Chair of E&F Committee received eleven (11) votes.

The nomination of Councilor Bill Baker to serve as Co-Chair of E&F Committee received five (5) votes.

Motion carried for Councilor Cowan Watts to serve as E&F Co-Chair.

Education Committee: (Chair)

Councilor Glory-Jordan moved for the nomination of Councilor Hoskin for Chair of the Education Committee. Councilor Fishinghawk seconded the motion.

Councilor Jack Baker moved for the nomination of Councilor Coates for Chair of the Education Committee. Councilor Garvin seconded the motion.

Councilor Glory-Jordan spoke to the nomination of Councilor Hoskin.  
Councilor Jack Baker spoke to the nomination of Councilor Coates.

The nomination of Councilor Hoskin to serve as Chair of Education Committee received six (6) votes.

The nomination of Councilor Coates to serve as Chair of Education Committee received ten (10) votes

One (1) abstention.

Motion carried for Councilor Coates to serve as Education Chair.

Education Committee: (Co-Chair)

Councilor Cobb moved for the nomination of Councilor Garvin as Co-Chair of the Education Committee. Councilor Coates seconded the motion.

Councilor Glory-Jordan moved for the nomination of Councilor Hoskin as Co-Chair of the Education Committee. Councilor Bill Baker seconded the motion.

Chair Frailey closed nominations.

Councilor Cobb spoke to the nomination of Councilor Garvin.

Councilor Glory-Jordan spoke to the nomination of Councilor Hoskin.

The nomination of Councilor Garvin to serve as Co-Chair of Education Committee received ten (10) votes.

The nomination of Councilor Hoskin to serve as Co-Chair of Education Committee received seven (7) votes.

Motion carried for Councilor Garvin to serve as Education Co-Chair.

Health Committee: (Chair)

Councilor Anglen moved for the nomination of Councilor Cobb for Chair of the Health Committee. Councilor Jack Baker seconded the motion.

Chair Frailey closed nominations.

Motion carried unanimously for Councilor Cobb to serve as Health Committee Chair.

Health Committee: (Co-Chair)

Councilor Garvin moved for the nomination of Councilor Fullbright for Co-Chair of the Health Committee. Councilor Cowan Watts seconded the motion.

Chair Frailey closed nominations.

Motion carried unanimously for Councilor Fullbright to serve as Health Committee Co-Chair.

Community Service Committee: (Chair)

Councilor Bill Baker moved for the nomination of Councilor Buzzard for Chair of the Community Service Committee. Councilor Fishinghawk seconded the motion.

Chair Frailey closed nominations.

Motion carried unanimously for Councilor Buzzard to serve as Community Service Committee Chair.

Community Service Committee: (Co-Chair)

Councilor Bill Baker moved for the nomination of Councilor Soap for Co-Chair of the Community Service Committee. Councilor Snell seconded the motion.

Chair Frailey closed nominations.

Motion carried unanimously for Councilor Soap to serve as Community Service Committee Chair.

Resource Committee: (Chair)

Councilor Buzzard moved for the nomination of Councilor Snell for Chair of the Resource Committee. Councilor Anglen seconded the motion.

Councilor Hoskin moved for the nomination of Councilor Thornton for Chair of the Resource Committee. Councilor Glory-Jordan seconded the motion.

Chair Frailey closed nominations.

Councilor Buzzard spoke to the nomination of Councilor Snell.  
Councilor Hoskin spoke to the nomination of Councilor Thornton.

The nomination for Councilor Snell to serve as Chair of Resource Committee received eleven (11) votes.

The nomination for Councilor Thornton to serve as Chair of Resource Committee received six (6) votes.

Motion carried for Councilor Snell to serve as Resource Committee Chair.  
Resource Committee: (Co-Chair)

Councilor Garvin moved for the nomination of Councilor Soap for Co-Chair of the Resource Committee. Councilor Crittenden seconded the motion.

Councilor Hoskin, Jr. moved for the nomination of Councilor Thornton for Co-Chair of the Resource Committee. Councilor Glory-Jordan seconded the motion.

Chair Frailey closed nominations.

Councilor Garvin spoke to the nomination of Councilor Soap.  
Councilor Hoskin, Jr. spoke to the nomination of Councilor Thornton.

The nomination for Councilor Soap to serve as Co-Chair of the Resource Committee received eleven (11) votes.

The nomination for Councilor Thornton to serve as Co-Chair of the Resource Committee received six (6) votes.

Motion carried for Councilor Soap to serve as Resource Committee Co-Chair.

Employment/Language, History & Culture Committee: (Chair & Co-Chair)

Councilor Jack Baker moved to table selection of committee Chair & Co-Chair of the Employment & Language, History & Culture Committees pending approval of the Act relating to establishment of standing committees in full council. Councilor Cowan Watts seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Councilor Jack Baker moved to table the Employment and Language, History & Culture Committee meetings and to move the items on the Language, History & Culture agenda to the Executive & Finance Committee agenda. Councilor Bill Baker seconded the motion. Motion carried.

3. A RESOLUTION ELECTING THE OFFICE OF SPEAKER  
FOR THE CHEROKEE NATION TRIBAL COUNCIL

Councilor Anglen moved for the nomination of Councilor Frailey for the Office of Speaker for the Cherokee Nation Tribal Council. Councilor Fullbright seconded the motion.

Councilor Bill Baker moved for nominations to cease.

Motion carried unanimously for Councilor Frailey to serve as Speaker for the Cherokee Nation Tribal Council.

4. A RESOLUTION ELECTING THE OFFICE OF DEPUTY SPEAKER FOR THE CHEROKEE NATION TRIBAL COUNCIL

Councilor Glory-Jordan moved for the nomination of Councilor Jack Baker for the Office of Deputy Speaker for the Cherokee Nation Tribal Council. Councilor Jack Baker declined the nomination.

Councilor Garvin moved for the nomination of Councilor Cowan Watts for the Office of Deputy Speaker for the Cherokee Nation Tribal Council. Councilor Anglen seconded the motion.

Councilor Glory-Jordan moved for the nomination of Councilor Soap for the Office of Deputy Speaker for the Cherokee Nation Tribal Council. Councilor Bill Baker seconded the motion.

Councilor Bill Baker moved for the nomination of Councilor Buzzard for the Office of Deputy Speaker for the Cherokee Nation Tribal Council. Councilor Buzzard declined the nomination.

Chair Frailey closed the nominations.

Councilor Garvin spoke to the nomination of Councilor Cowan Watts.  
Councilor Glory-Jordan spoke to the nomination of Councilor Soap.

The nomination for Councilor Cowan Watts to serve as Deputy Speaker received ten (10) votes.

The nomination for Councilor Soap to serve as Deputy Speaker received seven (7) votes.

Motion carried for Councilor Cowan Watts to serve as Deputy Speaker for the Cherokee Nation Tribal Council.

5. A RESOLUTION ELECTING THE OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF THE TRIBAL COUNCIL

Councilor Fullbright moved for the nomination of Councilor Garvin for the Office of Secretary of the Tribal Council. Councilor Anglen seconded the motion.

Councilor Bill Baker moved for nominations to cease.

Motion carried unanimously for Councilor Garvin to serve as Secretary of the Tribal Council.

6. A RESOLUTION FOR ADMINISTRATIVE SUPERVISION OF LEGISLATIVE STAFF AND COMMUNICATION WITH OTHER BRANCHES OF GOVERNMENT

**Councilor Anglen moved for the approval of the Resolution as written. Councilor Bill Baker seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*None.*

ADJOURNMENT

**Councilor Bill Baker moved for adjournment. Councilor Cowan Watts seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

STAFF PRESENT:

*Melanie Knight  
Mike Miller*

*Paula Holder  
Diane Kelley*

*Ginger Brown*

VISITORS PRESENT:

*Todd Hembree  
Mike Miller*

*Ed McLemore*

*Keith Barrick*

APPROVAL / DISTRIBUTION

**Minutes submitted by: Gayle Miller, Recording Secretary**

**Motion to approve minutes made by: \_\_\_\_\_**

**Minutes attested and concurred by: \_\_\_\_\_**

**Date: \_\_\_\_\_**