



# Council of the Cherokee Nation

Council House  
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## Meeting Minutes - Final EDUCATION AND CULTURE COMMITTEE

*Joe Byrd, Chair*

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Monday, February 11, 2013

3:00 PM

Legislative Conference Room

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### CALL TO ORDER

Chair Byrd called the meeting to order at 3:58 p.m.

### INVOCATION

Councilor Garvin gave the invocation.

### ROLL CALL

**Present** 11 - Chuck Hoskin Jr. ; Curtis Snell; Don Garvin; Jack D. Baker; Jodie Fishinghawk; Tina Glory Jordan; Lee Keener Jr.; Dick Lay; David Walkingstick; Frankie Hargis and Joe Byrd

**Late Arrival** 6 - Buel Anglen; David Thornton, Sr. ; Meredith Frailey; Julia Coates; Janelle Fullbright and Cara Cowan Watts

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Hargis moved to approve the January 14, 2013 regular session minutes. Councilor Hoskin Jr. seconded the motion. The motion carried.

### AMEND THE AGENDA

Councilor Hoskin Jr. made a motion to amend the agenda to include the resolution honoring the life and service of Secretary of State Charles Head. Councilor Garvin seconded the motion. Councilor Glory-Jordan offered a friendly amendment to add a report from Diane Kelley regarding the summer youth program. Chair Byrd requested a friendly amendment to move the Head Start report to the first report today. The friendly amendments were accepted.

### REPORTS:

3. Head Start - Verna Thompson

*Ms. Thompson offered to answer questions from the report provided. Chair Byrd requested a status update on the issue at Belfonte Head Start.*

1. Talking Leaves Job Corp/Career Services/Voc. Ed - Diane Kelley

*Ms. Kelley announced they are behind in getting to the schools to recruit for summer youth employment. She provided a percentage breakdown of the ages and the issues surrounded by the fourteen and fifteen year olds. Councilor Walkingstick inquired about the possibilities of an Elder Day Work Program. Councilor Thornton inquired about creating a computer generated application for all departments to use. Ms. Kelley requested guidance in regard to the summer youth program and excluding the fourteen and fifteen year olds this year. Councilor Glory-Jordan made a motion allow the commitment for sixteen year old and up for the summer youth program. Councilor Hoskin Jr. seconded the motion. The motion carried. Councilor Hoskin Jr. requested clarification on the residency requirement for the summer youth program. Councilor Cowan Watts inquired about the status of the Day Work Program. Ms. Kelley reported a Congressional Hearing will be held in regard to Job Corp Centers. She stated they have been told they will no longer be able to do drawdowns at Job Corp only reimbursements and they have a freeze on new intakes.*

2. Executive Director's Report - Bill Andoe / Dr. Gloria Sly

*Dr. Gloria Sly offered to answer questions from the reports provided. Councilor Walkingstick inquired if the issues with the online scholarship process have been worked out. Councilor Hargis inquired if the Sequoyah students are paid if they pass their State mandated tests. Chair Byrd commented on the amount of scholarships given. He requested to review the Sequoyah handbook once revised. Councilor Keener inquired about the Youth Council and their attending the UNITY Conference. Chair Byrd requested someone from Sequoyah High School present next month to provide a report on the OSSAA situation.*

OLD BUSINESS

*None pending.*

NEW BUSINESS

1. [13-025](#)

AN ACT RELATING TO AN AMENDMENT TO THE CONCURRENT ENROLLMENT SCHOLARSHIP ACT OF 2011 TO REVISE ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

*Ms. Barker Harrold provided copies of the current policy for concurrent enrollment eligibility and a brochure from the Oklahoma State Department of Education showing what they provide. Councilor Walkingstick made a motion to approve. Councilor Fishinghawk seconded the motion. All Councilors with the exception of Councilor Coates requested to be added as sponsor. Councilor Baker requested clarification regarding the area of eligibility since the amendment strikes the language pertaining to the surrounding counties and the map. He offered a friendly amendment to include the service are map. The friendly amendment was accepted. Councilor Coates stated with this amendment accepted she too would like to be added as a sponsor.*

**The motion to approve and forward to the Council meeting this evening carried with the following roll call vote:**

**Yea:** 17 - Buel Anglen; Chuck Hoskin Jr. ; Curtis Snell; David Thornton, Sr. ; Don Garvin; Jack D. Baker; Meredith Frailey; Julia Coates; Jodie Fishinghawk; Janelle Fullbright; Tina Glory Jordan; Lee Keener Jr.; Dick Lay; David Walkingstick; Cara Cowan Watts; Frankie Hargis and Joe Byrd

2. [13-026](#) A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE LIFE AND SERVICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE CHARLES L. HEAD
- Councilor Hoskin Jr. moved to approve and forward to full council this evening. Councilor Fishinghawk seconded the motion. Councilors Thornton, Garvin, Fullbright, Snell, Walkingstick, Lay, Baker and Hargis requested to be added as sponsors. Councilor Garvin offered a friendly amendment to change the date on page 2 from January to February.*
- The motion to approve carried with Councilor Coates abstaining.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Chair Byrd announced he would be moving this Education & Culture meeting to noon starting in March.*

ADJOURNMENT

**Councilor Baker moved to adjourn. Councilor Walkingstick seconded the motion. The motion carried at 4:35 p.m.**

STAFF PRESENT:

<i>Verna Thompson</i>	<i>Chelsea Wilson</i>	<i>Terrisa Muskrat</i>
<i>Diane Kelley</i>	<i>Dr. Gloria Sly</i>	<i>Sara Hill</i>
<i>Todd Hembree</i>		

VISITORS PRESENT:

<i>Farrell Prater</i>	<i>Ollie Starr</i>	<i>Raymond Vann</i>
<i>Dianne Barker Harrold</i>		