



Council of the Cherokee Nation

Cherokee Nation Complex
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Meeting Minutes - Final EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Candessa Tehee, Chair

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Tuesday, November 12, 2024

2:00 PM

Tribal Council Offices

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Tehee called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

INVOCATION

Co-Chair Callison gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Present 16 - Mike Dobbins; E. O. "JR." Smith; Joshua Sam; Mike Shambaugh;
Melvina Shotpouch; Johnny Kidwell ; Candessa Tehee; Danny Callison;
Sasha Blackfox-Qualls; Lisa Hall; Daryl Legg; Codey Poindexter; Dora
Patzkowski; Joe Deere; Kevin Easley Jr. and Kendra McGeady

Late Arrival 1 - Julia Coates

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Deere moved to approve. Councilor Dobbins seconded the motion.
The motion carried.

REPORTS:

Vocational Programs/Talking Leaves Job Corp/Career Services - Diane Kelley

Mr. Hunter Palmer reported in the absence of Ms. Kelley. He gave appreciation to the Councilors who attended the TERO Banquet. He gave highlights from the report then offered to answer any questions.

Executive Director's Report - Mark Vance

Mr. Vance gave highlights from the report including upcoming deadlines. Councilors requested the deadlines be emailed to the Council staff. He offered to answer questions from the report. Chair Tehee inquired about Remember the Removal rider selections.

Head Start - Verna Thompson

Mr. Vance offered to answer questions on behalf of Ms. Thompson.

Sequoyah High School - Terry Heustis

Mr. Huestis gave an update on the academic and athletic programs, he announced they have a new hiking club. An update was given on the construction projects. They have met with communications to push out the good things going on here at the Cherokee Nation to Sequoyah students and followers along with the happenings at Sequoyah High School. They are working on a new agriculture program. He offered to answer questions.

Head Start - Verna Thompson

Ms. Thompson announced an open house will be held on the 19th for Nowata. She offered to answer questions from the report. Chair Tehee gave appreciation for the lunch provided. Councilor McGeady inquired about the timeline for Nowata.

OLD BUSINESS

None pending.

NEW BUSINESS

None pending.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Co Chair Callison announced this Thursday night NSU will host Cherokee Night and play Haskell. RSU will also host Haskell at the fairgrounds pavilion, admission is free to both games.

Councilor Blackfox-Qualls invited everyone to the Hulbert FFA pie auction on the 25th.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Deere moved to adjourn. Councilor Hall seconded the motion. The motion carried at 2:17 p.m.

STAFF PRESENT:

*Hunter Palmer
Terry Heustis
Verna Thompson*

*Canaan Duncan
Brooke Neff*

*Mark Vance
Shella Bowlin*

VISITORS PRESENT:

John Young

Teddy Snell

Isaac Collins