



Council of the Cherokee Nation

Meeting Minutes

Executive and Finance Sub Committee - PAC

Thursday, December 20, 2007

3:30 PM

Legislative Conference Room

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Cowan Watts called the meeting to order at 3:50 p.m.

INVOCATION

Councilor Garvin gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Present 8 - Bill John Baker; Don Garvin; Cara Cowan Watts; Buel Anglen; Jack D. Baker; Tina Glory Jordan; Jodie Fishinghawk and Janelle Fullbright

Absent 2 - Bradley Cobb and Julia Coates

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR POLITICAL CONTRIBUTIONS

Chair Cowan Watts announced administration's proposed list of donations has been provided. She stated she has reviewed the list and each is a friend of the Cherokee Nation. Councilor Bill John Baker made a motion to approve the list as submitted. Councilor Jack Baker seconded the motion. Councilor Garvin voiced concern for Representative Shane Jett being on the contribution list as well as serving on the elected official's compensation committee. Mr. Hembree requested this contribution be deferred until the compensation committee completes their task. Ms. Ginger Brown didn't have a problem with the recommendation. Councilor Garvin made a friendly amendment to defer the contribution to Representative Jett until his task is complete with the compensation committee. Councilor Bill John Baker stated he would rather give the donation now up front and not look as though it is a conceived promise. Mr. Hembree stated he has been named and the process has begun. He stated he would at the very least recommend tabling the contribution until Representative Jett's input is received. Councilor Garvin's friendly amendment was accepted. Ms. Brown announced an error on the list submitted as having Mr. Charles Wyrick listed twice. Councilor Anglen made a friendly amendment to remove one of the Charles Wyrick's listed and replace him with Joe Sweeden. Councilor's Bill John Baker and Jack Baker accepted the amendment. Councilor Garvin inquired if we knew how each of the people listed stand on the one language for the State of Oklahoma. Ms. Ginger Brown stated as far as she knows they are all for one language. Chair Cowan Watts repeated the motion on the floor by Councilor Bill John Baker and seconded by Councilor Jack Baker with two friendly amendments is to approve this list, replace the second Charles Wyrick with Joe Sweeden, and to table Shane Jett's donation until there is a determination by Mr. Jett as to a conflict with the compensation committee. Motion carried.

Chair Cowan Watts the next meeting is tentatively set for the 15th of January following the TERO presentation. Councilor Glory-Jordan requested this PAC sub committee meeting is held before the TERO presentation. Chair Cowan Watts agreed to the request.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Garvin made a motion for adjournment. Councilor Anglen seconded the motion. Motion carried at 4:00 p.m.

STAFF PRESENT:

Ginger Brown *Melanie Knight*

VISITORS PRESENT:

Charles Dry *Raymond Vann*

APPROVAL / DISTRIBUTION

Minutes submitted by: Shelli Brittain, Recording Secretary

Motion to approve minutes made by: _____

Minutes attested and concurred by: _____

Date: _____