

Council of the Cherokee Nation

Cherokee Nation Complex 17675 S. Muskogee Ave. Tahlequah, OK 74464

Meeting Minutes - Final EXECUTIVE AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

Jodie Fishinghawk, Chair

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Monday, August 12, 2013 10:00 AM **Tribal Council Offices**

Special Session

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Fishinghawk called the meeting to order at 10:12 a.m.

INVOCATION

Councilor Snell gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Present 16 - Buel Anglen; Chuck Hoskin Jr.; Curtis Snell; David Thornton, Sr.; Don Garvin; Jack D. Baker; Cara Cowan Watts; Julia Coates; Jodie Fishinghawk; Janelle Fullbright; Tina Glory Jordan; Lee Keener Jr.; Dick

Lay; David Walkingstick; Frankie Hargis and Joe Byrd

Absent 1 - Meredith Frailey

NEW BUSINESS

TMP-277

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION: FUNDING FOR CHEROKEE NATION HIGHER EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIPS

Councilor Hoskin Jr. moved to approve. Councilor Cowan Watts seconded the motion. Mr. Reece stated this is a request to amend the operating budget modification 11 passed in the July Executive & Finance meeting for additional funding for the Higher Education Scholarships. Dr. Neil Morton gave an overview of the need for additional funding. Councilor Cowan Watts requested information showing the number of scholarship recipients by location. She also inquired if they have the ability to track to see if the recipients continue or drop out. Discussion was held to fund the freshmen first instead of last. Councilor Thornton inquired about the statistics for drop outs. Councilor Keener requested confirmation that the freshman would receive funding. Dr. Morton stated all freshmen with a completed application on file and who are eligible will be funded. He further stated there was not a memo sent out saying the freshmen wouldn't get funded.

The motion to approve carried by acclimation for this to be considered at the

Council meeting tonight as an amendment to Mod. 11.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chair Fishinghawk announced the next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, August 29th at $3:00\ p.m.$

ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Byrd moved to adjourn. Councilor Keener seconded the motion. The motion carried at 10:50 a.m.

STAFF PRESENT:

Lacey HornJennifer PigeonDr. Neil MortonJody ReeceMike RoachTyler ThomasMandy ScottSara HillSharon Swepston

Lisa Trice Turtle Chief Bill John Baker

VISITORS PRESENT:

Dianne Barker Harrold Harley Buzzard Farrell Prater Patricia Carpenter