



Council of the Cherokee Nation

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Meeting Minutes - Final EDUCATION AND CULTURE COMMITTEE

Joe Byrd, Chair

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Monday, March 11, 2013

12:00 PM

Legislative Conference Room

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Byrd called the meeting to order at 12:15 p.m.

INVOCATION

Councilor Fullbright gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Present 11 - Buel Anglen; Don Garvin; Jack D. Baker; Jodie Fishinghawk; Janelle Fullbright; Tina Glory Jordan; Lee Keener Jr.; Dick Lay; Cara Cowan Watts; Frankie Hargis and Joe Byrd

Absent 1 - Curtis Snell

Late Arrival 5 - Chuck Hoskin Jr. ; David Thornton, Sr. ; Meredith Frailey; Julia Coates and David Walkingstick

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Baker moved to approve the February 11, 2013 regular session minutes. Councilor Keener seconded the motion. The motion carried.

REPORTS:

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

No one was present to report.

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

Dr. Sly offered to answer questions from the reports provided. She provided an update on questions asked last month regarding the Unity National Conference and a generic computer software program for all programs. Councilor Cowan Watts inquired about cut backs due to the sequestration. She inquired about sending students and the Youth Council to conferences. Councilor Hargis gave kudos to them for their participation in the JOM Conference. She inquired if we donate to the

National JOM. Councilor Keener inquired about the Youth Council budget and their conversion to the fifteen districts. Councilor Anglen inquired if they are forming a 501C3 for fundraising for the National Treasures Program. Mr. Leroy Qualls provided an update on the OSSAA issues at Sequoyah Schools. He announced the boys basketball team made it to the State Semi-finals and the girl's team also made the State Tournament. They also had a high school student as the State Champion in Powerlifting. Councilor Hargis inquired as to the number of Gates Scholars this year. Councilor Cowan Watts inquired about the average ACT test scores by grade as well as a break down by the college path and the career path. Councilor Cowan Watts also inquired about the status of the charter school along with its funding and requested an evaluation.

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

Ms. Kelley provided an update on the status of Job Corp funding. She congratulated Landra Alberty on being 3rd behind Tulsa and Oklahoma City in GED testing. She gave an update on the accreditation status at Job Corp. Councilor Cowan Watts inquired about the status of the Day Work and Voc. Rehab Programs as well as effects the sequestration may have.

3. Head Start - Verna Thompson

Dr. Sly announced Ms. Thompson would be unable to report do to a schedule conflict.

4. Cultural Tourism - Molly Jarvis

Ms. Jarvis went over the highlights of the report provided. She handed out a flyer for communities to receive free Cherokee History Tours.

OLD BUSINESS

None pending.

NEW BUSINESS

AMEND THE AGENDA

Councilor Garvin moved to amend the agenda to include a resolution recognizing Cherokee citizen Cierra Fields. Councilor Glory-Jordan offered a friendly amendment for the motion to include the resolution sponsored by Councilor Walkingstick pertaining to preserving tribal history, culture, language and syllabary. Councilor Garvin agreed. Councilor Walkingstick seconded the motion. The motion carried.

1. [13-038](#)

A RESOLUTION IN RECOGNITION OF WES WELKER, A CITIZEN OF THE CHEROKEE NATION, FOR HIS OUTSTANDING ATHLETIC ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Councilor Fullbright moved to approve. Councilor Hoskin Jr. seconded the motion. The motion to approve carried.

2. [13-039](#) A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING CHEROKEE CITIZEN - CODY WILLIAM WEST

Councilor Cowan Watts announced this resolution should include Councilors Frailey, Anglen and Keener as sponsors. She inquired if a registration check had been done to confirm his citizenship. She moved to approve. Councilor Frailey seconded the motion. The motion carried.

3. [13-041](#) A RESOLUTION TO COLLABORATE WITH THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO PRESERVE TRIBAL HISTORY, CULTURE, LANGUAGE AND SYLLABARY

Councilor Walkingstick moved to approve. Councilor Glory-Jordan seconded the motion. Councilors Hoskin Jr., Glory-Jordan and Hargis requested to be added as sponsors. The motion to approve carried.

4. [13-042](#) A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING CHEROKEE CITIZEN - CIERRA FIELDS

Councilor Garvin moved to approve and forward to the Council meeting this evening. Councilor Fishinghawk seconded the motion. All Councilors requested to be added as sponsors. The motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councilor Walkingstick requested item #3 the resolution pertaining to preservation also be forwarded to the Council meeting this evening.

Councilor Garvin congratulated Councilor Hoskin Jr. on his upcoming district election and not drawing an opponent.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Hoskin Jr. moved to adjourn. Councilor Walkingstick seconded the motion. The motion carried at 1:38 p.m.

STAFF PRESENT:

<i>Dr. Gloria Sly</i>	<i>Leroy Qualls</i>	<i>Chelsea Wilson</i>
<i>Terrisa Muskrat</i>	<i>Todd Hembree</i>	<i>Diane Kelley</i>

VISITORS PRESENT:

<i>Tamyse Dreadfulwater</i>	<i>Callie Catcher</i>	<i>Raymond Vann</i>
<i>Dianne Barker Harrold</i>	<i>Molly Jarvis</i>	<i>Larry Horn</i>