

Council of the Cherokee Nation

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Meeting Minutes - Final EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Candessa Tehee, Chair

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Tuesday, October 15, 2024

3:00 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

Councilor McGeady confirmed her membership to this committee.

Present 17 - 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.; Julia Coates and Kendra McGeady

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Poindexter moved to approve. Councilor Sam Seconded the motion. The motion carried.

REPORTS:

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

Ms. Kelley reported on the celebration at Job Corp, the Fiber Tech Program graduation and the new class starting. She announced they won the Best of Show in the Manufacturing Month Chili Cook-Off. She offered to answer questions from the report provided.

Executive Director's Report - Mark Vance

Mr. Vance announced the dates for the upcoming College Resource Fairs and when the JOM Cultural Team would be at Sequoyah's Cabin. He offered to answer questions from the report. Councilor Shambaugh requested an update on any resource grants. Councilor Blackfox-Qualls inquired if the STEM grant awards have been sent out.

Head Start - Verna Thompson

Ms. Thompson gave highlights from the Fall Festival. They are preparing for their federal review. She offered to answer questions from the report.

Sequoyah High School - Terry Heustis

Mr. Heustis gave highlights from the West Point Cadets visit to the campus. He provided highlights in athletics and academic programs. They have placed an order for new buses. They will host the ORES football championships on October 26th. District 3 State finals will also be held at Sequoyah. He gave appreciation to the Council for passing the legislation for the capital investment renovations at Sequoyah. They look forward to hosting the Council for Thanksgiving Lunch next month. He offered to answer questions from the report.

Cherokee Nation Foundation - Janice Randall

Ms. Randall announced the scholarships open on November 1st. She introduced Sherry Kelley. She offered to answer questions from the report.

OLD BUSINESS

None pending.

NEW BUSINESS

None pending.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Deere moved to adjourn. Councilor Dobbins seconded the motion. The motion carried at 3:17 p.m.

STAFF PRESENT:

Diane KelleyMark VanceTerry HeustisShella BowlinBrooke NeffCorey BunchVerna ThompsonJanice RandallSherry Kelly

VISITORS PRESENT:

John Young Teddye Snell