



Council of the Cherokee Nation

Cherokee Nation Tribal
Council
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Meeting Minutes - Final CULTURE COMMITTEE

Victoria Vazquez, Chair

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Monday, March 13, 2023

10:00 AM

Tribal Council Offices

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Vazquez called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m.

INVOCATION

Chair Vazquez gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Present 16 - Keith Austin; Shawn Crittenden; Joe Deere; Rex Jordan; Daryl Legg; Wes Nofire; Dora Patzkowski; Victoria Vazquez; Candessa Tehee; Danny Callison; Julia Coates; Mike Dobbins; Johnny Kidwell; Joshua Sam; Mike Shambaugh and Melvina Shotpouch

Absent 1 - E. O. "JR." Smith

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Patzkowski moved to approve as submitted. Councilor Callison seconded the motion. The motion carried.

REPORTS:

Cultural Tourism - Molly Jarvis

Ms. Jarvis gave highlights from the report provided and offered to answer any questions.

Cherokee Nation Language Department - Howard Paden

Mr. Paden gave highlights from the report and offered to answer questions. There have now been 9,978 words translated by the Translation Department. He provided an update on the trainings. In the communities they have recorded 300 Cherokee Speakers. They are working on several exercise videos in the Cherokee Teacher Bridge Program. They are working on a Saving the Voices Program. Ed Fields began a new online class. They are launching Cherokee III and maybe Cherokee IV in the fall. The Cherokee Language Bowl was held at the Greasy Campus. Seven Speakers

graduated and 8 more have enrolled. They are working on a partnership with OSU for a language app. Mr. Paden stated they are trying to document linguistics dialects, such as Greasy and Oak Ridge, by recording speakers in those areas. Councilor Nofire inquired about the aspect of singing.

Community & Cultural Outreach - Kevin Stretch

Mr. Wagnon reported there are fifty volunteers from Kansas, Ohio, and Illinois currently in Adair County helping with community projects. A hog fry will be held for them on March 16th at 5:30 at the Mid-County Community Building. He offered to answer questions from the report provided.

Cherokee National Treasures Advisory Committee - Betty Frogg / Donetta Johnson

Ms. Frogg read the report into the record and offered to answer questions.

OLD BUSINESS

None pending.

NEW BUSINESS

None pending.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

**Councilor Legg moved to adjourn. Councilor Patzkowski seconded the motion.
The motion carried at 10:35 a.m.**

STAFF PRESENT:

Brad Wagnon

Howard Paden

Betty Frogg

VISITORS PRESENT:

Molly Jarvis

John Young

Teddye Snell