

Council of the Cherokee Nation

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Meeting Minutes - Final EDUCATION AND CULTURE COMMITTEE

David Walkingstick, Chair

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Monday, May 11, 2015 3:00 PM Tribal Council Offices

CALL TO ORDER

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

INVOCATION

Chair Walkingstick gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Present 13 - Julia Coates; Tina Glory Jordan; Lee Keener Jr.; David Walkingstick; Cara Cowan Watts; Janees Taylor; Harley Buzzard; Frankie Hargis; Don Garvin; Jack D. Baker; Joe Byrd; Curtis Snell and Victoria Vazquez

Absent 2 - Jodie Fishinghawk and Janelle Fullbright

Late Arrival 2 - Dick Lay and David Thornton, Sr.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Garvin moved to approve the April 13th regular session minutes as submitted. Councilor Hargis seconded the motion. The motion carried.

REPORTS:

Chair Walkingstick commented due to the time constraints today the reports would stand and asked if there were questions regarding the reports provided.

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

Councilor Keener gave appreciation to Ms. Kelley for her efforts within Career Service. Chair Walkingstick commented on the welding classes.

Executive Director's Report - Bruce Davis

Mr. Davis wasn't available to report.

Head Start - Verna Thompson

No one was present to report.

Sequoyah High School - Leroy Qualls

Councilor Cowan Watts congratulated Mr. Qualls on the five Gates Scholars. Mr. Qualls gave an update on the upcoming graduations and the state tournaments. They are fully accredited by the Oklahoma Department of State Education with no deficiencies.

Executive Director's Report - Bruce Davis

Chair Walkingstick gave appreciation for them opening up the concurrent enrollment for the summer. Councilor Byrd commented on the road to Bull Hollow.

OLD BUSINESS

None pending.

NEW BUSINESS

None pending.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councilor Baker requested an agenda item for next month for a presentation pertaining to teaching local history in the schools. Chair Walkingstick inquired about having a banquet for the Trail of Tears Awards and increasing the incentive provided. Councilor Lay recognized a graduating senior from Caney Valley for all of her accomplishments. Chair Walkingstick announced the next meeting would be held at 3:00 on Monday, June 15th.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Thornton moved to adjourn. Councilor Vazquez seconded the motion. The motion carried at 4:05 p.m.

STAFF PRESENT:

Diane Kelley David Moore Bruce Davis
Leroy Qualls G. V. Gulager Elizabeth Odell
Chuck Hoskin Jr. Canaan Duncan Chad Harshaw

VISITORS PRESENT:

Dianne Barker Harrold Teddye Snell Natalie Fullbright