



Council of the Cherokee Nation

Cherokee Nation Tribal
Council
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Meeting Minutes - Draft CULTURE COMMITTEE

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Tuesday, July 12, 2016

9:00 AM

Tribal Council Offices

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Vazquez called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.

INVOCATION

Councilor Hargis gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Councilor Bryan Warner was present but is not a member.

Present 10 - Buel Anglen; Keith Austin; Jack D. Baker; Shawn Crittenden; Don Garvin; Wanda Hatfield; Rex Jordan; Janees Taylor; Victoria Vazquez and Frankie Hargis

Absent 1 - David Thornton, Sr.

Late Arrival 4 - Harley Buzzard; Joe Byrd; Dick Lay and Curtis Snell

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Baker moved to approve the May 25th regular session minutes.

Councilor Taylor seconded the motion. The motion carried.

REPORTS:

Cultural Tourism - Molly Jarvis

Ms. Jarvis gave an overview of the report provided. Chair Vazquez inquired if the artist could present sculptures for the pathway walking trail here in downtown Tahlequah. Councilor Austin requested a timeline for the Saline Courthouse. Councilor Anglen inquired if the end portion of the Saline Courthouse would remain or be removed. Councilor Taylor inquired if they had data showing where the visitors are from at the museums especially at Cherokee Days. She inquired about the type of outreach is done for the NAMI event. At Large Councilors Hatfield and Baker requested the Cherokee Days be held in conjunction with the community meeting as it had been in the past years. Chair Vazquez inquired if the size of the new Hard Rock gift shop is the same as the old shop.

Cherokee Nation Language Program - Roy Boney / John Ross

Mr. Ross gave an update on the Speakers Bureau, the Language Consortium meeting, and the Goingsnake Heritage meeting. Mr. Boney reported Mr. Ross has translated Sequoyah's numbering system and they are now working with Google to develop a calculator using that system. He announced the language agreement between the three Cherokee tribes was renewed at the recently held Tri-Council meetings. The translators met with the new Phoenix Editor, Brandon Scott, to discuss the translations within the Phoenix. They are going to compile a book for the immersion students of all of the translations done over the last fifteen years. Wade Blevins will be beginning a new online language class with a different approach as a pilot to hopefully use in the language program in the future. Councilor Byrd commented on forming a work group to determine the number of Cherokee speakers we have.

Historical Society - Tonia Weavel

Ms. Tehee announced the 3rd quarter board of trustees meeting will be held this Friday. They had a representative present at NCAI. Three of their staff modeled Cherokee clothing at the REZ conference. August the 10th is the deadline for submissions to the Cherokee Homecoming Art show. They have an ongoing intern program supervised by Archivist, Jerry Thompson. She gave highlights from the report provided. She offered to answer questions from the report provided. Councilor Byrd inquired about an update on their air conditioning issues.

Community & Cultural Outreach - Rob Daugherty

Mr. Daugherty gave an overview of the report provided. He gave an update on their annual event recently held. He announced July 29th is Cherokee Nation night at the Tulsa Drillers Stadium. He gave an update on the request for the At Large cultural presentations to be done within the fourteen counties also. Chair Vazquez inquired about a cultural day with the South Coffeyville community group. Councilor Hatfield inquired if the Kansas organization could be included. Mr. Daugherty announced our Mr. Roy Boney was featured in the Oklahoma Today Cowboys and Indians issue. Mr. Paden and Mr. Mackey gave an update on projects they are working on including a language program with the Eastern Band and grants applications they have submitted.

OLD BUSINESS

None pending.

NEW BUSINESS

None pending.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

**Councilor Hargis moved to adjourn. Councilor Jordan seconded the motion.
The motion carried at 9:59 a.m.**

STAFF PRESENT:

*Canaan Duncan
Howard Paden
John Paden
Tammy Dry
Jerry Thompson*

*Roy Boney
Roy Mackey
Claud Stover
Dawni Squirrel*

*John Ross
Shannon Buhl
Rob Daugherty
John Young*

VISITORS PRESENT:

*Molly Jarvis
Teddy Snell
Susan Chapman Plumb*

*Travis Owens
Candessa Tehee*

*Cheryl Trask
Dianne Barker Harrold*