



Council of the Cherokee Nation

Cherokee Nation Complex
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Meeting Minutes - Final EDUCATION COMMITTEE

David Walkingstick, Chair

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Monday, August 15, 2016

3:00 PM

Tribal Council Offices

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Walkingstick called the meeting to order at 3:20 p.m.

INVOCATION

Councilor Warner gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Present 16 - Janees Taylor; Harley Buzzard; Frankie Hargis ; Don Garvin; David Thornton, Sr. ; Jack D. Baker; Joe Byrd; Curtis Snell; Victoria Vazquez; Rex Jordan; Shawn Crittenden; Buel Anglen; Bryan Warner ; Dick Lay; David Walkingstick and Keith Austin

Absent 1 - Wanda Hatfield

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Hargis moved to approve the July 12th minutes as submitted.
Councilor Warner seconded the motion. The motion carried.

REPORTS:

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

Ms. Kelley stated they are working with Pryor alternative school to assist with the kids getting into manufacturing. She announced there are three upcoming job fairs; Buffalo Wild Wings here in Tahlequah, Taco Bueno here in Tahlequah and the Ramona Casino. They are recruiting for the upcoming Culinary Classes and Iron Workers classes. She provided an update on the signage in Claremore. She announced the Day Workers are not given Wal-mart cards as discussed earlier.

Executive Director's Report - Ron Etheridge

Ms. Jennifer Pigeon reported in the absence of Mr. Etheridge. Ms. Pigeon gave an update on the scholarship applications. They have one new directed studies student this year. She also provided an update on the concurrent enrollment program. Councilor Taylor inquired about the average outlay of a concurrent enrollment

student and how it is paid. Councilor Buzzard requested clarification on the directed studies program process and the new student. Councilor Garvin inquired about the status of assisting the incarcerated Cherokees. Councilor Crittenden requested a packet of information for the directed studies program. Councilor Byrd inquired if there have been any changes in how the State pays for concurrent enrollment. Additional discussion was held in regard to concurrent enrollment.

Head Start - Verna Thompson

Ms. Pigeon offered to answer questions in the absence of Ms. Thompson.

Sequoyah High School - Leroy Qualls

Mr. Qualls gave an update from the report provided. He requested time to allow the Dorm Administrator Ms. Carol Young and Ms. Alicia Salizar to provide a presentation on the recent changes at the SHS dorms as well as life as a dorm student.

OLD BUSINESS

None pending.

NEW BUSINESS

None pending.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Vazquez moved to adjourn. Councilor Jordan seconded the motion. The motion carried at 4:04 p.m.

STAFF PRESENT:

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| <i>Courtney Allen</i> | <i>Diane Kelley</i> | <i>Jennifer Pigeon</i> |
| <i>Canaan Duncan</i> | <i>Leroy Qualls</i> | <i>Debra Lack</i> |
| <i>David Moore</i> | <i>Carol Young</i> | <i>Alicia Salizar</i> |

VISITORS PRESENT:

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| <i>Teddy Snell</i> | <i>Dianne Barker Harrold</i> |
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