



# Council of the Cherokee Nation

Cherokee Nation Tribal  
Council  
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## Meeting Minutes - Final CULTURE COMMITTEE

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Thursday, September 29, 2016

11:00 AM

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### CALL TO ORDER

Chair Vazquez called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

### INVOCATION

Councilor Taylor gave the invocation.

### ROLL CALL

*Councilor Walkingstick was present but is not a member of this committee.*

**Present** 8 - Buel Anglen; Keith Austin; Jack D. Baker; Harley Buzzard; Wanda Hatfield; Janees Taylor; Victoria Vazquez and Frankie Hargis

**Absent** 5 - Shawn Crittenden; Don Garvin; Rex Jordan; Dick Lay and David Thornton, Sr.

**Late Arrival** 2 - Joe Byrd and Curtis Snell

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Baker made a motion to approve the July 12th regular session minutes. Councilor Anglen seconded the motion. The motion carried.

### AMEND THE AGENDA

Councilor Austin made a motion to amend the agenda to include a report from Mark Vance in regard to JOM. Councilor Taylor seconded the motion. The motion carried.

### REPORTS:

Cultural Tourism - Molly Jarvis

*Ms. Jarvis gave a detailed overview of the report she provided. Details were provided on the Capital projects including the Capitol building, the Water Avenue project, the downtown Tahlequah cultural pathway, the Saline Courthouse. Details were provided*

*on the retail sales, museum promotions, and tours & events. She offered to answer questions from the report provided. Councilor Taylor inquired where the people are from who are going on the East to West motor coach tour. Councilor Baker inquired if Cultural Tourism would take over Sequoyah's home. Councilor Buzzard suggested tourism in the Bull Hollow area. He inquired if there would be an elevator in the Saline Courthouse renovations. He requested clarification on the Water street pavilion.*

Historical Society - Tonia Weavel

*Ms. Weavel announced she is the Interim Executive Director at the Heritage Center. She reported on the two archival interns. She provided other highlights from the report provided including upcoming events.*

Cherokee Nation Language Program - Roy Boney / John Ross

*Mr. Ross reported on the Speaker's Bureau meetings recently held, the Consortium meeting with the three Cherokee tribes, and the Cherokee calculator. He provided a handout of how the calculator works and the website for additional information. They provided a We Are Learning Cherokee level 1 book. Mr. Boney over the last month he has had several meetings with the language degree program and the continuing education department for a language intensive course next summer. Councilor Taylor inquired how someone becomes certified to teach Cherokee.*

Community & Cultural Outreach - Rob Daugherty

*Mr. Daugherty offered to answer questions from the report provided. He stated the gathering of all of the community groups begins next week. During this gathering they go over the grants and processes. He reported they have 3 new groups. He provided an update on their office location moving. Councilor Hatfield commended them on the job they do at the At Large community meetings. Councilor Baker inquired if the At Large meeting schedule has been set for next year. Councilor Byrd commented on the good word and feedback he is getting on this department. He said he attended the elder summit earlier today and suggested it would have been a good time to do a survey to determine the number of speakers we have. He said the shuttle bus was playing Cherokee hymns at the Tulsa airport to the parking lots. Councilor Byrd also stated at the meeting of tribal leaders with President Obama with 567 tribes present three of our youth sang 2 hymns. Mr. Ryan Mackey gave details on the grant they just received. Mr. Paden gave an update on grants they have applied for recently.*

JOM - Mark Vance

*Mr. Vance introduced Tonya Bryant as they handed out packets for Camp Cherokee. Councilor Byrd gave a brief explanation behind the request for their report. They gave an overview of the camps history and the upcoming camp ideas. Councilor Hatfield inquired if the camp could be taken At Large. Councilor Byrd suggested including a healthy component such as our Wings program. Chair Vazquez apologized for rushing their report due to time constraints and requested they come back in the November meeting.*

OLD BUSINESS

*None pending.*

## NEW BUSINESS

*None pending.*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Councilor Austin reminded everyone of the Cherokee Nation Treasurers art show and sale this Friday at the Heritage Center.*

*Councilor Byrd announced the Cherokee Art Market will be in October at the Hard Rock.*

*Chair Vazquez announced the next meeting will be November 14th at 9:00 a.m.*

## ADJOURNMENT

**Councilor Hargis moved to adjourn. Councilor Taylor seconded the motion.  
The motion carried at 12:15 p.m.**

## STAFF PRESENT:

<i>Dawnena Squirrel</i>	<i>Ryan Mackey</i>	<i>Rob Daugherty</i>
<i>Roy Boney</i>	<i>John Ross</i>	<i>Donna Tinnin</i>
<i>Mark Vance</i>	<i>Tammy Miller</i>	<i>John Paden</i>
<i>Howard Paden</i>	<i>Canaan Duncan</i>	<i>Tonya Bryant</i>

## VISITORS PRESENT:

<i>Molly Jarvis</i>	<i>Cheryl Trask</i>	<i>Travis Owens</i>
<i>Tonia Weavel</i>	<i>Candice Byrd</i>	<i>Teddy Snell</i>
<i>Dianne Barker Harrold</i>		