

# **Council of the Cherokee Nation**

Cherokee Nation Tribal Council 17763 S. Muskogee Ave. Tahlequah, OK 74464

# Meeting Minutes - Draft CULTURE COMMITTEE

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Monday, July 31, 2017 9:00 AM Tribal Council Offices

CALL TO ORDER

Co Chair Byrd called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m.

INVOCATION

Councilor Baker gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Councilor Warner was present but not a member of this committee.

Present 11 - Buel Anglen; Keith Austin; Jack D. Baker; Harley Buzzard; Joe Byrd; Shawn Crittenden; Wanda Hatfield; Rex Jordan; Dick Lay; Janees Taylor and Frankie Hargis

Absent 2 - Curtis Snell and Victoria Vazquez

Late Arrival 1 - Don Garvin

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Taylor made a motion to approve the May 16th regular session minutes. Councilor Hargis seconded the motion. The motion carried.

REPORTS:

Cultural Tourism - Molly Jarvis

Ms. Jarvis gave an overview of the report provided. She offered to answer questions from the report provided. Councilor Crittenden introduced National Treasure and President of the National Treasures Association, Betty Frogg, in attendance today. Councilor Crittenden asked numerous questions of Ms. Jarvis regarding the National Treasures Program and the role CNB plays with the program. He also inquired about the Cherokee Art Market. Councilor Crittenden suggested having a Cherokee Treasures communal booth. Chair Byrd suggested recommendations be submitted in writing. Councilor Crittenden stated he had additional questions regarding the National Treasures and the advisory committee. He inquired about amending the agenda today

for that discussion. Chair Byrd suggested a special meeting at a later date to allow other Councilors to gather their questions.

#### AMEND THE AGENDA

Councilor Crittenden stated some of the issues he would like to discuss affect other items later today. He made a motion to amend the agenda for discussion only about the National Treasures. Councilor Buzzard seconded the motion. Councilor Lay called for the question. The motion failed by not reaching a 2/3rds majority with the following roll call vote:

**Yea:** 7 - Buel Anglen; Jack D. Baker; Harley Buzzard; Shawn Crittenden; Don Garvin; Wanda Hatfield and Dick Lay

Nay: 5 - Keith Austin; Joe Byrd; Rex Jordan; Janees Taylor and Frankie Hargis

Cultural Tourism - Molly Jarvis

Councilor Taylor requested all policies and legislation regarding the National Treasures and the art market be provided prior to any meeting regarding these issues.

Councilor Buzzard inquired about wiring at the Saline Courthouse. Councilor Lay inquired about hiring a staff person for the Saline Courthouse. He also inquired if the 501c3 of the Treasures remains in place. Chair Byrd requested clarification between the National Treasures Association and the Committee. Councilor Crittenden commented on all of the advisory board being all expired and asked questions. Councilor Hatfield requested the five advisory board members be included in the information to be provided.

Cherokee Nation Language Program - Roy Boney / John Ross

Mr. Ross provided an update on the speaker's bureau along with upcoming consortium meeting dates. He announced they will have a float in the Cherokee National Holiday parade. Chair Byrd reminded everyone of the need for the language summit. Mr. Boney gave an update on the recently held Ignite Conference. They attended the re-opening of the Sequoyah Cabin. He gave highlights from the Cherokee Language Teachers Training Scholarship. Mr. Boney commented he and Mr. Ross met with former Youth Tribal Councilor and Remember the Removal Bike Rider, Brian Barlow, who is working on a project with the Cherokee Nation Foundation and Wal-Mart to get food labeled in the Cherokee language. Councilor Hatfield inquired about her recent request for the language books for the At Large communities.

Community & Cultural Outreach - Rob Daugherty

Mr. Daugherty gave updates on their annual conference recently held. Chair Byrd inquired about the renovations of the building for the language programs.

Historical Society - Charles Gourd

Dr. Charles Gourd gave his background and inquired as to the preference of how to report in the future. He gave an update on the Heritage Center and their current and upcoming exhibits. He commented he would like to start a focus on community art. Chair Byrd requested a tour or open house of the Heritage Center especially the archives for the Council. He offered to answer questions. Chair Byrd requested an assessment list of needs by priority the Council should be aware of.

# **OLD BUSINESS**

None pending.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

None pending.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

# **ADJOURNMENT**

Councilor Hargis moved to adjourn. Councilor Jordan seconded the motion. The motion carried at  $9:55\ a.m.$ 

# STAFF PRESENT:

Chrissi Nimmo	Rob Daugherty	Tammy Dry
Roy Boney	Ryan Mackey	John Ross
Bill John Baker	Canaan Duncan	Howard Paden
John Young	Chuck Hoskin, Jr.	

# VISITORS PRESENT:

Molly Jarvis	Charles Gourd	Cheryl Trask
Travis Owens	Teddye Snell	Dianne Barker Harrold
E. O. Smith	Mary Baker Shaw	Jami Murphy
Bettv Froga		