



Council of the Cherokee Nation

Cherokee Nation Tribal
Council
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Meeting Minutes - Final CULTURE COMMITTEE

Victoria Vazquez, Chair

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Tuesday, November 14, 2017

9:00 AM

Tribal Council Offices

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Vazquez called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m.

INVOCATION

Councilor Taylor gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Present 10 - Buel Anglen; Keith Austin; Wanda Hatfield; Rex Jordan; Bryan Warner ;
Victoria Vazquez; Janees Taylor; Mike Dobbins; Mike Shambaugh and E.
O. "JR." Smith

Absent 2 - Frankie Hargis and Harley Buzzard

Late Arrival 4 - Shawn Crittenden; Dick Lay; Joe Byrd and Mary Baker Shaw

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Taylor moved to approve the September 28th regular session minutes. Councilor Jordan seconded the motion. Councilor Austin requested his attendance be corrected to show his late arrival. The motion to approve carried.

REPORTS:

Cultural Tourism - Molly Jarvis

Ms. Jarvis provided updates on the report submitted. She reported on the Capitol museum, the water avenue pavilion and the cultural pathway projects. She provided an update on the retail stores, sales and new apparel. She touched on the upcoming museum promotions. She announced the Cherokee Days at the NMAI is scheduled for April. Councilor Austin requested tenure for the top line of the retail sales. Councilor Byrd requested they reach out to the executive director of the National Marshal Museum in Ft. Smith in regard to the Cherokee history component.

Cherokee Nation Language Program - Roy Boney / John Ross

Mr. Roy Boney brought with him Ms. Anna Sixkiller to provide an update on the language consortium. Mr. Boney announced this Thursday night they will be attending the Oklahoma Hall of Fame Banquet honoring Sequoyah. He reported Durbin Feeling retired last month. He offered to answer questions from the report provided. Chair Vazquez inquired how they create a new Cherokee word.

Community & Cultural Outreach - Rob Daugherty

Mr. Daugherty offered to answer questions from the report provided. He reported the CCO group will have a veteran's bingo night on November 30th. He stated they are starting the interview process for the selection of the new language apprentice participants. Mr. Mackey gave an overview of the selection process. Councilor Baker Shaw requested clarification on the Tulsa area community meeting recently held. Councilor Crittenden commented on turning people away who want to participate in the Cherokee language program and suggested providing additional funding for the program. Councilor Byrd suggested each Councilor support two from their district for the program. He requested a budget be provided from the language program. Mr. Daugherty stated the in-district community meetings would start again after the New Year.

Historical Society - Charles Gourd

Mr. Gourd reported on some statistical data for the Heritage Center. He gave highlights from some of the classes held. Appreciation was given to everyone that attended their fundraising gala. They continue to work with the University of Tulsa and Gilcrease. He talked about a possible partnership with the Crystal Bridges museum in Arkansas. Councilor Byrd requested Mr. Gourd provide a report to our next Council meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

None pending.

NEW BUSINESS

None pending.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

**Councilor Jordan moved to adjourn. Councilor Byrd seconded the motion.
The motion carried at 9:58 a.m.**

STAFF PRESENT:

*Chrissi Nimmo
Rob Daugherty*

*Dawnea Squirrel
Alayna Farris*

*Tammy Dry
Ryan Mackey*

Roy Boney
Chuck Hoskin Jr.

Canaan Duncan
Todd Hembree

Anna Sixkiller
Connie Parnell

VISITORS PRESENT:

Molly Jarvis
Charles Gourd
Catherine Foreman Gray

Cheryl Trask
Pam Sellers

Teddye Snell
Carolyn Allen