



Council of the Cherokee Nation

Cherokee Nation Tribal
Council
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Meeting Minutes - Final CULTURE COMMITTEE

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Thursday, September 27, 2018

11:00 AM

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CALL TO ORDER

Chair Vazquez called the meeting to order at 11:05 a.m.

INVOCATION

Chair Vazquez gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Present 13 - Keith Austin; Shawn Crittenden; Wanda Hatfield; Rex Jordan; Dick Lay; Frankie Hargis ; Bryan Warner ; Joe Byrd; Victoria Vazquez; Harley Buzzard; Mike Dobbins; Mary Baker Shaw and E. O. "JR." Smith

Absent 1 - Mike Shambaugh

Late Arrival 2 - Buel Anglen and Janees Taylor

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Hargis moved to approve the minutes as submitted. Councilor Shaw seconded the motion. The motion carried.

REPORTS:

Cultural Tourism - Molly Jarvis

Ms. Jarvis gave an overview of the report provided. Councilor Buzzard requested an update on the walking trail at the Saline Courthouse. Councilor Byrd inquired if there is a total number of attendees for the National Holiday. He suggested starting earlier with the areas that have been outgrown. Chair Vazquez gave appreciation to the help with Cherokee Days. Councilor Shaw inquired about the number of attendees at the Cherokee Art Market last year.

Cherokee Nation Language Program - Roy Boney / John Ross

Mr. Panther gave an update on the recent language consortium and speakers bureau. Mr. Boney reported on the Cherokee New Testament in audio. There is an app

recently available "Cherokee Nation Church Manual". He reported on the efforts being made in developing a list of Cherokee speakers. The Cherokee online language classes will begin the second week of October. Councilor Shaw inquired about the code talker photo. Councilor Buzzard requested an update on teacher certifications. Councilor Byrd gave appreciation for the speakers' survey and requested Mr. Boney design a book of record for those speakers. He stated he will be requested a budget modification to fund this effort. Councilor Crittenden inquired about the percentage of speakers that are full blood. Chair Vazquez requested Mr. Panther's program be presented at her upcoming community meeting. Councilor Hatfield inquired about the At Large communities visited.

Community & Cultural Outreach - Rob Daugherty

Mr. Daugherty offered to answer questions on the language program application and the start of the new class. He commented on his departments efforts in the gathering of Cherokee speakers. Councilor Crittenden inquired if the Full blood citizens get any priority. He suggested they be given priority if not currently.

Historical Society - Charles Gourd

Ms. Cheryl Parrish and Ms. Callie Chunstudie reported for the Heritage Center. Ms. Parrish reported on the recent art show event, the number of vendors on site during the Cherokee National Holiday, the revenue during the holiday as well as the visitor count. She gave appreciation to Councilor Crittenden for his evening entertainment. The seasonal villagers have completed their time with them. They hosted the Trail of Tears motorcycle riders from the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. She reported on the group tours. She commented on the event attended in Oklahoma City and in Ft. Smith. She reported the 2017 audit is near completion with no findings. She announced upcoming events include the Seven Star Gala on October 20th, Ancient Cherokee Days on October 4th and 5th, and the Wil Rogers Exhibit opens this weekend. Ms. Chunstudie gave an overview of the Wil Rogers Exhibit. She provided invitations to the Council. Ms. Parrish announced they are hosting a 3D Archery event on October 13th. They will also host the Cherokee Nation Environmental Retreat. Their board meeting will be on October 16th. She introduced Shanista Cloud as the new Outreach Coordinator. Ms. Cloud reported on the activities, grants, and programs she is involved with. Councilor Shaw inquired about the matching portion of the grant needed. Councilor Hatfield appreciated her attendance at Cherokee Days.

OLD BUSINESS

None pending.

NEW BUSINESS

None pending.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councilor Austin requested a report on our Cherokee culture presenters at Silver Dollar City.

Councilor Austin announced the rededication of the Cooweescoowee Parkway on October 29th.

Councilor Shaw announced she would be hosting the movie "Mankiller" at the Guthrie Green on October 16th in Tulsa.

ADJOURNMENT

**Councilor Hargis moved to adjourn. Councilor Jordan seconded the motion.
The motion carried at noon.**

STAFF PRESENT:

<i>Rob Daugherty</i>	<i>Cheryl Parrish</i>	<i>Chuck Hoskin Jr.</i>
<i>Canaan Duncan</i>	<i>Roy Boney</i>	<i>John Young</i>
<i>Howard Paden</i>	<i>Ryan Mackey</i>	<i>Lawrence Panther</i>

VISITORS PRESENT:

<i>Molly Jarvis</i>	<i>Travis Owens</i>	<i>Cheryl Trask</i>
<i>Teddy Snell</i>	<i>Callie Chunstudie</i>	<i>Shanista Cloud</i>
<i>Donna Tinnin</i>	<i>Tahlina Nofire Blakestad</i>	