

Council of the Cherokee Nation

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Meeting Minutes - Final EDUCATION COMMITTEE

David Walkingstick, Chair

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Tuesday, November 13, 2018

3:00 PM

Tribal Council Offices

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Walkingstick called the meeting to order at 3:05 p.m.

INVOCATION

Councilor Vazquez gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Present 14 - Rex Jordan; Wanda Hatfield; Buel Anglen; Bryan Warner; David Walkingstick; Keith Austin; Harley Buzzard; Mike Dobbins; Frankie Hargis; Mike Shambaugh; Mary Baker Shaw; E. O. "JR." Smith; Janees

Taylor and Victoria Vazquez

Absent 1 - Dick Lay

Late Arrival 2 - Shawn Crittenden and Joe Byrd

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Shaw made a motion to approve the October 15th regular session minutes as submitted. Councilor Vazquez seconded the motion. The motion carried.

REPORTS:

Vocational Programs/Talking Leaves Job Corp/Career Services - Diane Kelley

Ms. Kelley provided an update on the National Dislocated Workers Grant and the Opioid Grant. She reported on the Job Corp contract. An update was given on the TANF program. Appreciation was given for the attendance at the TERO Banquet. Councilor Buzzard requested an overview of the TANF program.

Executive Director's Report - Ron Etheridge

Ms. Jennifer Pigeon reported on the participation at the recently held college fairs. She reminded everyone of the upcoming deadlines of December 28th for the Spring Semester and Concurrent enrollment. Councilor Vazquez gave appreciation for their attendance at her community meeting. Chair Walkingstick inquired about the JOM student data by district requested last month. Councilors Warner and Byrd spoke about training for non-Native American teachers teaching in highly populated Native American schools. Councilor Hatfield inquired about a reference book she obtained in a meeting. Chair Walkingstick requested an update of the charter status with the Immersion school.

Head Start - Verna Thompson

Chair Walkingstick announced Ms. Thompson isn't available for a report here but served a wonderful Thanksgiving lunch earlier today and provided their annual report to the Council.

Sequoyah High School - Leroy Qualls

Mr. Qualls provided a copy of the report along with a brief overview. Their annual Thanksgiving lunch will be held this Friday. They are hosting an ACT boot camp December 1st. He reported on the Robotics Team, the Academic Team and athletics. It is Native American Heritage Month. Councilor Byrd inquired if the students were able to use the old gym during recess.

OLD BUSINESS

None pending.

NEW BUSINESS

None pending.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councilor Taylor announced Councilor Austin has been placed on the North East Technology Advisory Counsel for the Claremore Campus.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Shambaugh made a motion to adjourn. Councilor Hargis seconded the motion. The motion carried at 3:31 p.m.

STAFF PRESENT:

Chrissi Nimmo Taryn King Todd Enlow
Chad Harsha Christa Marsh Diane Kelley
Bill John Baker Leroy Qualls Danja Ketcher

VISITORS PRESENT:

Tahlina Nofire Blakestad Teddye Snell