

Council of the Cherokee Nation

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Meeting Minutes - Final EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Shawn Crittenden, Chair

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Monday, August 15, 2022

3:00 PM

Tribal Council Offices

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Crittenden called the meeting to order at 3:03 p.m.

INVOCATION

Councilor Shotpouch gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Present 17 - Joe Deere; Julia Coates; Keith Austin; Dora Patzkowski; Daryl Legg; Rex Jordan; Wes Nofire; Shawn Crittenden; Candessa Tehee; Mike Dobbins; E. O. "JR." Smith; Joshua Sam; Mike Shambaugh; Melvina Shotpouch; Victoria Vazquez; Danny Callison and Johnny Kidwell

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Shotpouch moved to approve the July minutes. Councilor Tehee seconded the motion. The motion carried.

REPORTS:

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

Ms. Kelley gave highlights from the report provided and announced the 2022 HSE Graduation referred to was postponed. She provided details of how the graduation ceremony would take place in 2023. She spoke of the testing center moving back into the complex. They are back in their Stilwell office following the flood. Job Corp continues to look for students to meet capacity. Ms. Kelley provided an update on the lineman and fiber optics programs. She lightly touched on the expansion of new offices. She offered to answer questions from the report provided. Councilor Legg inquired about providing training for dental assistants to with the shortage at the Claremore Hospital.

Executive Director's Report - Mark Vance

Mr. Vance gave highlights from the report and offered to answer questions. Councilor

Smith inquired if there have been any changes to the college housing program.

Sequoyah High School - Rita Bunch

Ms. Bunch offered to answer questions from her report. She reported they have eighty-three students enrolled in the dorms. Councilor Nofire commented on the SHS Fishing Team. He congratulated them on their recent successes. Councilor Tehee congratulated the SHS Volleyball Team and encouraged everyone to go to the football scrimmage this Friday.

Head Start - Verna Thompson

Ms. Thompson introduced Barbara Littledave and Sandra Turner who are celebrating forty years with Head Start. She announced they have received notice they will have a federal review this year. They are concentrating on the hiring of new staff as they have openings in almost every location, she requested assistance in recruiting. Councilor Tehee commended the workers on their years of service. She inquired when the federal review would take place.

OLD BUSINESS

None pending.

NEW BUSINESS

None pending.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Legg moved to adjourn. Councilor Dobbins seconded the motion. The motion carried at 3:20 p.m.

STAFF PRESENT:

Diane Kelley Mark Vance Rita Bunch

Verna Thompson Corey Bunch Camerin Fite James

Barbara Littledave Sandra Turner

VISITORS PRESENT:

John Young Teddye Snell