

**The INTER-TRIBAL COUNCIL
of the FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES**

**QUARTERLY MEETING OF THE INTER-TRIBAL COUNCIL
OF THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES OF OKLAHOMA
RESTAURANT OF THE CHEROKEES
TAHLEQUAH, OKLAHOMA
JANUARY 9, 1998**

Chief Perry Beaver called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. with invocation given by Rev. Bertram Bobb, Choctaw Nation. Roll call was conducted by Recording Secretary, Tammy Gray for Leta Burwell. A quorum was established with 23 present.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

CHEROKEE NATION: Chief Joe Byrd, Mary Cooksey, Same Ed Bush, Don Crittenden proxy for Paula Holder and Harley Terrell proxy for Harold DeMoss.

CHICKASAW NATION: Governor Bill Anoatubby, Lisa Jackson proxy for Lt. Governor David Brown, Rena Duncan, Pat Woods and Kennedy Brown.

SEMINOLE NATION: Chief Jerry Haney, Toby Wise, Terri Springer, Tom McGeisey proxy for Assistant Chief James Factor, Shirley Walker proxy for Eula Doonkeen.

MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION: Chief Perry Beaver, Bill Fife, Kenneth Childers and Patrick Moore.

CHOCTAW NATION: Chief Greg Pyle, Assistant Chief Mike Bailey (Jeff Compton), Sue Folsom proxy for Loyce bell, Randall Durant and Rev. Bertram Bobb.

Chief Beaver introduced Tahlequah Mayor Bob Robertson who presented the Five Tribes Inter-Tribal Council with a Proclamation. Ms. Jo Prout, Tahlequah Chamber of Commerce, Executive Director, also welcomed the Council.

Governor Anoatubby introduced Wes Watkins, Congressman from the Third District and wife, Lou, to address the Council. Guests from Sequoyah High School were introduced and a picture taken.

Election of Officers: It was recommended for approval from the Executive Committee to re-elect Chief Perry Beaver as President, Chief Jerry Haney as the Vice President and Terri Springer re-elected as Treasurer. Motion was made and seconded to approve. Carried.

Minutes of the October 10, 1997 meeting was presented for approval. The motion made by Governor Anoatubby, seconded by Terri Springer. Carried

Treasurer's Report was presented by Terri Springer. A motion was made by Rena Duncan, seconded by Sam Ed Bush. Carried

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

Resolution 98-01:

A Resolution of Support for Full Funding of Indian Education Programs in FY 1999 Appropriations.

Motion made by Chief Byrd, seconded by Sam Ed Bush. Motion carried.

Resolution 98-02:

A Resolution Endorsing the Efforts of the Native American Employment Services, Inc.

Motion was made by Governor Anoatubby and seconded by Chief Pyle. Chief Pyle presented and explanation of the Resolution. Motion carried.

Resolution 98-03:

A Resolution to Request Replacement of the Oklahoma Area Education Office Grants Officer (Jimmy Baker).

Resolution was presented by Chief Pyle. Motion was made by Chief Haney and seconded by Terri Springer. Motion carried.

Resolution 98-04:

A Resolution Opposing the Repeal of SB 639 and Support the Joint Administration of Title XIX and Title XXI Funds by the Oklahoma Health Care Authority.

Mary Cooksey introduced Marge Burton from the Health Committee to present the Resolution.

Motion was made by Mary Cooksey, seconded by Toby Wise. Motion carried.

Resolution 98-05:

A Resolution Supporting the Contracting of Muskogee Area Safety Office and Placing it Under the Direction of the Eastern Oklahoma Tribal Schools Facility Management Office.

Chief Pyle gave a brief explanation of the Resolution. A motion was made by Toby Wise, seconded by Randall Durant. Motion carried.

AGENCY REPORTS:

Bureau of Indian Affairs report was given by Mr. Jim Fields.

Sharon Blackwell has been reassigned to Kevin Gover's office for 120 days.

Oklahoma Indian Affairs Commission report was given by Ms. Barbara Warner. She handed out reports form OIAC. She handed out to the Chiefs, a final, unsigned report from the state of Oregon regarding water resources contract. Governor asked for Barbara to find out who signed the report. Ms. Warner would like for all the tribal leaders to submit a letter to NCAI to move the meeting for Year 2001 to Oklahoma. Senator Gorton mentioned to Barbara Warner that he will be coming to Oklahoma soon. Charles Blackwell is working on an embassy located on Dupont Circle in Washington, D.C. for tribal leaders when they arrive in Washington. Estimated cost is \$4.2 million. A copy of Executive Proclamation from Governor Keating on gambling was distributed.

Indian Health Services report was given by Max Tousuda. Funding compacts have been received this week in lump sum amount. Shawnee Clinic was closed December 31. Kickapoo and Iowa tribe will be getting funds later.

Housing and Urban Development had no report.

National Congress of American Indians report was given by Diane Kelly.

David Baldrige gave a report from Nation Indian Council on Aging. They have provided funding for the Older American Act. Pat Woods is the chairperson. The NICOA conference is scheduled on August 23-25 in North Dakota.

Next ITC meeting will be hosted by Choctaw Nation at the Arrowhead Lodge April 8 & 9.

Benediction was given by Rev. Bertram Bobb.

Meeting adjourned.