

Quapaw Tribe Business Committee

Community Building

Regular Meeting

June 17, 2017

CALL TO ORDER: 9:05 a.m.

INVOCATION: John Berrey

<u>ROLL CALL:</u>	John Berrey, Chairman	Present
	Thomas Mathews, Vice-Chairman	Present
	Tamara Smiley-Reeves, Sec. /Treas.	Present
	Marilyn Rogers, Member	Present
	T.C. Bear, Member	Present
	Betty Gaedtke, Member	Present
	Ranny McWatters, Member	Present

DECLARATION OF QUORUM: Announced by QTBC Chairman, John Berrey

READING, CORRECTION AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND PHONE POLLS: The minutes of the May 20, 2017 QTBC meeting and phone polls were presented for approval. **Motion by QTBC Member, TC Bear, to accept the minutes as well as the phone polls. Seconded by QTBC Member, Marilyn Rogers. Vote: JB, yes; TM, yes; TSR, yes; MR, yes; TB, yes; BG, yes; RM, yes; (7 yes, 0 no, 0 abstaining, 0 absent). Motion passes.**

TREASURER'S REPORT: The Treasurer's Report for the period ending May 31, 2017 was submitted to the QTBC in accordance with standard accounting procedures. **Motion by QTBC Member, Marilyn Rogers, to accept the treasurer's report, as submitted. Seconded by QTBC Vice-Chairman, Thomas Mathews. Vote: JB, yes; TM, yes; TSR, yes; MR, yes; TB, yes; BG, yes; RM, yes; (7 yes, 0 no, 0 abstaining, 0 absent). Motion passes.**

PROGRAM REPORTS: Written Program Reports were submitted in the QTBC packets for approval. **Motion by QTBC Member, Betty Gaedtke, to accept the program reports as presented. Seconded by QTBC Member, TC Bear. Vote: JB, yes; TM, yes; TSR, yes; MR, yes; TB, yes; BG, yes; RM, yes; (7 yes, 0 no, 0 abstaining, 0 absent). Motion passes.**

PROGRAM DIRECTORS:

Anna McKibben (Public Relations) – The BC was presented with the General Council book for 2017. The newsletter will be coming out soon with recent graduates. Anna thanked the maintenance and house keeping for all their great attention on the grounds. She is finishing the pow-wow book and those will be going to print soon. Anna thanked everyone for their participation with the survey conducted by Aaliyah Jennings.

Jani Cummings (Downstream Casino) – March 2017 was the top revenue-producing month in the history of Downstream. This is confirmation that the new Kansas Crossing Casino is not affecting Downstream's revenue. To help insure a growing revenue the August 2017 concert budget will be used for a giveaway promotion. Downstream also recently opened up their new VIP Lounge and the expansion and updating of Legends is fully underway. Jani also read off a list of charitable donations made to local hospitals, schools, and organizations.

Upcoming Concerts:

7/2 Montgomery Gentry and Charlie Daniels Band

7/29 Rodney Carrington

9/16 REO Speed wagon

Kim Taft (CCDF) – JoOuita has been working to get the OLC NAEYC accreditation reinstated. We met all the requirements, but still not sure, if we passed. Kim thanked the maintenance crew for all their help getting ready for the health fair. The daycare is currently at full capacity with 92 enrolled, there is a waiting list in every class, and they currently have a part time position for the school agers classroom.

Krista Peirce (Higher Education) – May was a very busy month. There is an average of 1 application per day and it's a 90 day funding period so it will add up fast. Krista foresees about 60 students getting assistance this summer. All students are extremely grateful especially the graduate students. Krista is also busy working on the tech and vocational fair. Flyers for that will be going out soon. The Tech fair is scheduled for September 14. Krista will also be hosting a student fair where she will talk to students and parents about FASFA and financial aid. Higher education will also have a table at the upcoming health fair.

Kim Morris (Grant Writer) – Brian Ross was recently hired as the new grant writer and Kim is now the new grants manager. We were recently approved for a grant to develop a new tribal transportation safety plan. Terry Birch will be in charge of that. Kim recently submitted 1 grant to the BIA for more carseats, the annual library grant, a tribal heritage grant, and a ICDBG grant. Kim and Brian are also working on several processing plant grants. They are also working on a K9 unit grant, 3 Family Services grants, and the annual THPO grant. Kim also informed the BC that she received a call yesterday from the Department of Justice and they are recommending us for funding if we can alleviate some of their concerns on phase one of the Justice System. Nothing is guaranteed, but they are definitely recommending us.

Jamie Rodgers (CHR) – On May 4th Jamie attended that Domestic Violence in Indian Country at the Northeastern Tribal Health System. On May 18th 85 people participated in the monthly health screening. Friday June 30th will be the annual health fair. Jamie thanked Jani and Downstream for providing a shuttle

and driver from the administration building to the wellness center. From 8 to 10:30 am the health fair will be open to people 55 years and older and from 10:30 to noon is will be open to everyone.

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS: None

GUEST:

Steve Head – Spoke to the BC about his connection with art and preserving the history and culture of the Quapaw Tribe through art. He spoke about bringing artistic culture into the casino's gift shop at Downstream. Steve designed a seal using the current seal and used Quapaw clans and words. He was able to transfer that to tile and glass to be available for purchase at the gift shop. These items will be things you can't get anywhere else. **Chairman Berrey mentioned that this conversation might be more beneficial if it were discussed with the gift shop manager and will get in touch with Jennifer when the right people can sit down and talk with Steve together.**

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

Barbara asked that the topic of changing the name of the Quapaw Tribe of Oklahoma to the Quapaw Nation be brought up at General Council for action. **Chairman Berrey agreed that this would need the approval of the General Council and agreed that it will be placed on the agenda for discussion and polled to be placed on the election ballot for next year for approval.**

Motion by QTBC Secretary Treasurer, Tamara Smiley-Reeves, to allow Hanan Matthews and Karrie Sisson to sign titles in the absence of Melissa Morris. Seconded by Betty Gaedtke. Vote: JB, yes; TM, yes; TSR, yes; MR, yes; TB, yes; BG, yes; RM, yes; (7 yes, 0 no, 0 abstaining, 0 absent).
Motion passes.

Chairman Berrey made an announcement that George Webber was recently let go and subsequently his assistant as well. There was a tremendous amount of money missing. The substance abuse program will undergo changes on how it is set up and how money is managed.

DONATIONS:

Anan McKibben read a donation request from Minnie Tsosie for a softball donation. **Motion by QTBC Member, Ranny McWatters to approve a donation of \$250. Seconded by Betty Gaedtke. Vote: JB, yes; TM, yes; TSR, yes; MR, yes; TB, yes; BG, yes; RM, yes; (7 yes, 0 no, 0 abstaining, 0 absent).**
Motion passes.

CLOSED SESSION: 10:30 am

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION: 12:03 pm

TOPIC(S):

1. Spoke with CFO, Eric Bohn about tribal insurance claims.
2. Spoke with RWI and the BC concurs with their recommendations.
3. Also discussed a grounds committee campsite decision and Tamara will notify the family.
4. Also discussed an employee issue, no action at this time.

BENEDICTION: Thomas Mathews

ADJOURNMENT: 12:04 pm

/s/ Tamara Smiley-Reeves _____

Tamara Smiley-Reeves, Sec./Treas.

Minutes Prepared In Accordance with

Robert's Rules of Order

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By: /s/ Hanan Matthews _____

Quapaw Tribal Business Committee Clerk

CERTIFICATION

Approved by the Quapaw Tribal Business Committee

On June 15, 2017 with a vote reflecting

7 yes, 0 no, 0 abstaining, 0 absent.