

Minutes
Quapaw Nation Business Committee
Museum Classroom
Saturday, January 18, 2020

- I.** *Call to Order:* 9:06 A.M.
- II.** *Invocation:* Lloyd Buffalo, Member
- III.** *Roll Call:*
- John Berrey, Chairman Present
 - Callie Bowden, Vice-Chairwoman Present
 - Tamara Smiley-Reeves, Secretary-Treasurer Present
 - Michelle Newton, Member Absent
 - Ranny McWatters, Member Present
 - Zack Turley, Member Present
 - Lloyd Buffalo, Member Present
- IV.** *Declaration of Quorum:* Announced by Tamara Smiley-Reeves, Secretary-Treasurer.
- V.** *Reading, Correction & Approval of Minutes & Phone Polls:* The Minutes of the December 21, 2019, QNBC meeting and phone polls were presented for approval.
- Motion by Zack Turley, Member
 - Seconded Callie Bowden, Vice-Chairwoman
 - Two corrections- Donations
 - Vote: 6 yes, 0 no, 0 abstaining, 1 absent
 - Motion Passes.
- VI.** *Approval/Disapproval of Treasurer's Report:* The Treasurer's report for the period ending December 31, 2019, was submitted to the QNBC in accordance with standard accounting procedures.
- Motion by Lloyd Buffalo, Member
 - Seconded Ranny McWatters, Member
 - Vote: 6 yes, 0 no, 0 abstaining, 1 absent
 - Motion Passes.
- VIII.**
- Motion by Callie Bowden, Vice-Chairwoman
 - Seconded Zack Turley, Member
 - Vote: Vote: 6 yes, 0 no, 0 abstaining, 1 absent
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- IX.** *Directors Report:*
- Corissa Berry-Courts
 - In the month of December there was a docket on 12-5-19 and another one held on 12-18-19. All renewal fee letters for the Quapaw Nation bar have been sent out to all attorney's along with the 2020 Court Docket Schedule. 12 Attorneys have already renewed their bar fees and there have been 2 more attorneys added to the bar association. As of right now there 34 active attorneys in the Quapaw Nation Bar association. There are 7 inactive. Due to increase of confidential cases these matters will be set for 1:00pm. So, they were will separate from the 10:00am docket. The new

dockets are at the end of this report. The Law Library is up and running so the public may access enhanced state and federal law. I attended a Training in Tulsa for TLOA and VAWA tribes. This training was an understanding of what the processes are for a tribal court to become TLOA and the process of holding a VAWA jury trial. The training also went over what procedure must be taken for a jury of non-tribal and tribal members. Judge Hammons is also in the process of completing a new juvenile code for our new juvenile to healing wellness court grant. There have been several new cases filed: 1 admin cases filed, 2 criminal cases, 2 guardianship case, 1 Juvenile Deprived, 2 Protective Orders, 7 Small Claims filed from 9-1-19 to 12-30-19 Totaling 16 new cases being filed. There have also been 3 news attorneys apply to the Quapaw Nation Bar association and that have been accepted. I am in the process of working with OILS again to set up another WILLS CLINIC this Summer. Just some Fun information I just completed my master's degree from the University of Oklahoma in Native American Law.

- Tom Stelle-Housing
 - We started a new house south of Columbus. Filling out request and staying busy.
- Micheal Richardson-IT
 - We have been working with environmental to set up a remote read. Demonstration with social services & enrollment about some software because the current software doesn't talk to each other. We are having a network issue at the new building.
- Trenton Stand- Realty
 - Crazy busy with the court case and tying up loose ends. We have new hurdle with TAMs. It is going to be auto generated. Refresher course to take new courses. We are scheduling that training. We did some of the small claims at the courts. Just small cases we are dealing with. There are back leases. Last one they approved was back in 2018. Conversation easement that we can get signed. Everything is getting better. Easter Oklahoma region get involved.
 - John Berrey- We are getting closer to the settlement. Thank you to the heavy lifting.
- Mandy Dement-Family Services
 - I have 36 cases, which is one of the lowest I have had in 5 years. Which is a good thing. This month we had 8 siblings adopted by relatives. I have 3 more Quapaw children in adoption status. I licensed one new foster home. We have 4 general assistance clients and 2 direct employment clients. Our youth program, which is ran by Billie, she is having language and parent classes. In April, she will host a youth language program. Between our 2 domestic violence and sexual assault programs, we have 25 clients.
- Tim Kent- Environmental
 - My biggest issue is Tar Creek superfund site. I will just go over my high points. Quapaw tribe took over all the cleanup. We have cleared 1.04

million tons of chat. Up to date, we have cleared over 500 acres. We have received 13 million dollars from EPA for the cleanup. This year we will receive 15 million. Andrew Wheeler will be here Feb 13-14 visit our superfund site. The one sticky issue that we inherited was the underground storage tank and the pipping is still in the ground. Hoping nothing leaked. The Bird Dog project has started and is a 3-year project. On the site of the Bird Dog, we are still talking with GRDA about the solar panels and negotiating with them on price.

- Eric Bohn- Accounting
 - For December, we had revenue of \$2.1 million, total for the year is \$11.4 million. Actual expenses were \$5.7 million. Total for the year \$10.1 million. Those numbers look a little funny, but we paid off a 1.4 million note for building the pavilion. The BC decided to take some of the savings and retire that debt. This way we are not paying interest on the note. For Tribal Member Insurance, our expenses were \$430k, total for the year \$1.4 million. Social Services – (Utility Asst, Veterans Asst, Burial Asst, Unmet Needs), our expenses were \$110k, total for the year \$136k. Education, our expenses were \$83k, total for the year \$105k. The enterprises, the total for the fiscal year is \$105 million.

XI. *Sub-Committee Reports*

XII. *New Business:*

- Quapaw License Plate
 - General agreement of the original plate.
 - Request for a handicap & veterans' plate.
- Youth Suicide Prevention Program- Strategic Plan
 - Phone Poll
- Resolution 011820-C: A Resolution Making Certain Assurances, And Adopting Certain Policies and Procedures in Connection with an Application for a Public Facilities Indian Community Development Block Grant (ICDBG) Project FY2019-2020
 - Motion by Tamara Smiley-Reeves, Secretary-Treasurer
 - Seconded Lloyd Buffalo, Member
 - Vote: 6 yes, 0 no, 0 abstaining, 1 absent
 - Motion Passes.

XIII. *Old Business:*

- Constitution- I have found 3 guys. They are working on a presentation. There are some really bad constitutions. Hoping that the next BC meeting to start on the process. Have an education conference. They mentioned using Falmouth for the educating process.
- Bear Case- We are going to start at the House. Working on getting sponsors. Get it to the senate for appropriations. Hoping that we get it rolled through for 5 years. When congress gets back into session, we will push it through.

XIV. *Donations:*

- Quapaw Cub Scouts Pack 70- \$1500
 - No action.

- Bluejacket Pubic School-Expedition Yellowstone- \$2000
 - No action.
- Benefit for Sheila Nolte- 100lbs of ground meat
 - No action.
- Miami High school
 - Motion to donate last \$500 by Lloyd Buffalo, Member
 - Seconded Zack Turley, Member
 - Vote: 6 yes, 0 no, 0 abstaining, 1 absent
 - Motion Passes.
- Caroline Harkins- Missions Trip- \$1,700
 - Motion to donate last \$500 by Zack Turley, Member
 - Seconded Lloyd Buffalo, Member
 - Vote: 6 yes, 0 no, 0 abstaining, 1 absent
 - Motion Passes.

XV. *Open Forum*

XVI. *Closed Session: 10:32 A.M. – 11:40 A.M.*

- Mandy Dement-
 - Resolution 011820-A
 - Motion by Lloyd Buffalo, Member
 - Seconded Callie Bowden, Vice-Chairwoman
 - Vote: 6 yes, 0 no, 0 abstaining, 1 absent
 - Motion Passes.
 - Resolution 011820-B
 - Motion by Tamara Smiley-Reeves, Secretary-Treasurer
 - Seconded Zack Turley, Member
 - Vote: 6 yes, 0 no, 0 abstaining, 1 absent
 - Motion Passes.
- Social Services Committee
- Eric Bohn, CFO

XVII. *Benediction: Zack Turley, Member*

XVIII. *Adjournment: 11:41 A.M.*

/s/ Tamara Smiley-Reeves

Tamara Smiley-Reeves, BC Secretary/Treasurer

Minutes Prepared in Accordance of

Robert's Rules of Order

By: /s/ Heather Dismuke

Executive Secretary

CERTIFICATION

6 yes, no, abstaining, 1 absent.