

Pawnee Nation Princess Committee
Quarterly Report to the Pawnee Business Council
First Quarter - 2021

I. Program/Office/Project Name:

Pawnee Nation Princess Committee: The main goal of the Committee is to provide opportunity and development of our young Pawnee ladies who want to be a future Princess of the Pawnee Nation. Within our Committee, we have created a Princess Mentoring Program for future Princess' and the first Pawnee Nation Princess Sorority.

II. Executive Summary:

The Pawnee Nation Princess Committee consists of seven members. Cynthia Butler, Chair; Tiffany Fietze, Vice-Chair; Reva Howell, Secretary; Jamie Nelson, Treasurer; Vicky LeadingFox, member; Tonya Moore-Bravescout, member; and Beverly Harjo, member.

III. Meetings:

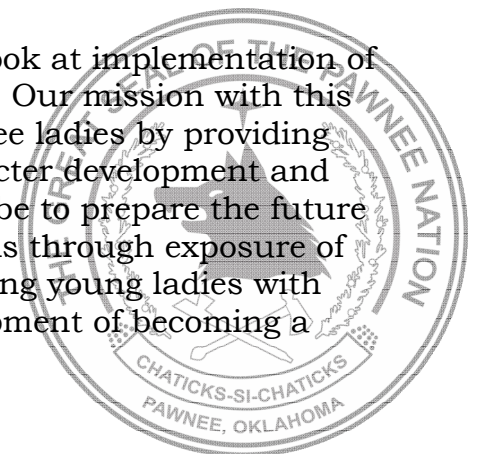
During the quarter, the Committee met on January 13, February 12, February 25 and March 11. Meeting minutes are on file in the Executive Office for PBC to review.

IV. Committee Report:

Fundraising – The Committee will continue with fundraising for the Scholarship fund and for the activities for the PN Princess throughout the year. This next raffle will be a Meat package raffle from Wild Country Meats. There will be three winners of this raffle, drawing will be in April.

2021-22 Princess Contest – The Committee discussed the Princess contest/event during the first quarter. The Committee will make a decision to move forward with the contest or make the decision to retain the current Princess for another year to allow her to fully represent the Pawnee Nation since representation was limited due to the COVID-19 Pandemic.

PN Princess Mentoring Program – The Committee will look at implementation of the Princess Mentoring Program in the second quarter. Our mission with this program is to positively impact the lives of young Pawnee ladies by providing support and learning opportunities that promote character development and life-enhancing values. The purpose of the program will be to prepare the future Pawnee Nation Princess' to build character and life skills through exposure of cultural and traditional Pawnee values. Also, by providing young ladies with consistent, caring mentors to guide them in the development of becoming a



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Pawnee Nation Princess. The Committee looks to start this program within the first or second quarter of 2021 and start with six applicants. As we grow, we will add more young ladies to the program.

PN Princess Sorority – The Committee has plans to advertise for the Princess Sorority and set up their first meeting at the beginning of the third quarter (July/August). The purpose of the Pawnee Nation Princess Sorority (PNPS) will be to promote and perpetuate Tribal culture, tradition, and ritual, originating within the Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma. The PNPS will be a non-profit organization that aims to retain and preserve the cultural heritage of the Pawnee Nation through the promotion of: presentation of music, dance, arts, crafts, sports and other recreational activities, foods, ceremonies, etc., dissemination of higher education career choices and health related information. We also envision in the future, that the Sorority will take lead on the Mentoring Program. This will be for enrolled Pawnee members who held the title as a former Pawnee Nation Princess or Pawnee Tribal/Expo Princess.

PN Princess Scholarship Program – The Princess Committee has advertised this scholarship opportunity that is for enrolled Pawnee women who are pursuing their education at a College or University. Each applicant must be a former Pawnee Nation Princess or Pawnee Tribal/Expo Princess. The deadline for applications has been set for June 15th, 2021. The first year, the Committee will award two scholarships with plans to add more in the future. The amount of each scholarship will depend on the amount of funds available.

V. Pawnee Nation Princess Report:



Our current Pawnee Nation Princess, Miss. Haley Brena-Johnson (2020-21), has been busy with events during the quarter.

February 5 – Signing of National Anthem

at PHS Basketball Homecoming game

February 14 – Sent a Valentines message
on Princess Facebook page

February 23 – Signing of National Anthem

at PHS Basketball Districts game

February 24 – Photoshoot with Ryan
Redcorn at the PN Ceremonial

Roundhouse

March 6 – Participated at the Tulsa City County Library
Festival of Words 2021

Pawnee Nation Princess
Feb 14 · 🌐
Happy Valentine's Day! - from me and my valentine to you and yours ❤️ Hope your day is filled with lots of sweets and love!! Stay warm and stay safe!



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March 6 – OSSAA District Solo & Ensemble Contest – Clarinet and Tenor Sax – Earned a Superior (1) rating at District Solo Contest and will participate in the OSSAA State Solo Competition

March – Participated in a virtual Spring Break event with the Indian Health Resources Center of Tulsa. Miss Haley did a video making a project with the camp participants.

March 8 – Qualified for state competition with the Lady Bears Powerlifters

March 18-21 – Stage Right Touring Company, performing six shows in Branson Theaters during Spring Break

March 30 – Participated in the Pawnee High School Jazz Band Music Showcase at the Historical Buffalo Theater – Miss Haley played the clarinet with the symphonic band, tenor sax with jazz band and singing “Old Black Magic” with the jazz band

Miss Haley is also a member of the Stage Right Touring Company, is a PHS Cheerleader, is on the PHS Track Team, serves as the Youth Representative on the Pawnee Seed Project Board, and is a member of the PHS Band. These are a few of the many clubs, groups or teams that she participates in. Miss Haley has also performed the Lord’s Prayer for several sporting events during the school year. We are very proud of her representation and look forward to seeing her many accomplishments.



VI. Closing:

The Committee looks forward to the implementation of the Mentor Program and the Princess Sorority. Also, to the crowning of the 2021-22 Pawnee Nation Princess.

Respectfully submitted,

Cynthia Butler, PBC Seat #1
Pawnee Nation Princess Committee Chair

