

Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma  
Governing Documents Committee

MINUTES

Monday, July 26, 2021 \* 6:00 PM

Pawnee Tribal Reserve \* PN Building 64 Conference Room, via Teams App

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Cynthia Butler, Chair  
Walter Echo-Hawk, Co-Chair  
Denise Miller, Member  
Victoria LeftHand, Member  
Lisa Gover, Member  
Joseph Reed, Member  
David Kanuho, Member  
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I. Call to Order & Invocation

Chairwoman Butler called the meeting to order at 6:04 pm and Mr. David Kanuho gave the invocation.

II. Establishment of Quorum

Roll call: Cynthia Butler – here, Walter Echo-Hawk – here, Denise Miller – excused (arrived at 6:07 pm), Victoria Lefthand – excused, Lisa Gover – here, Joseph Reed – excused, and David Kanuho – here. Quorum established.

III. Approval of the Agenda

Motion made by Walter Echo-Hawk to approve the Pawnee Nation Governing Documents Committee meeting agenda for July 26, 2021, seconded by Lisa Gover. Vote: all in favor, none against, none abstaining and one not voting. Motion carries.

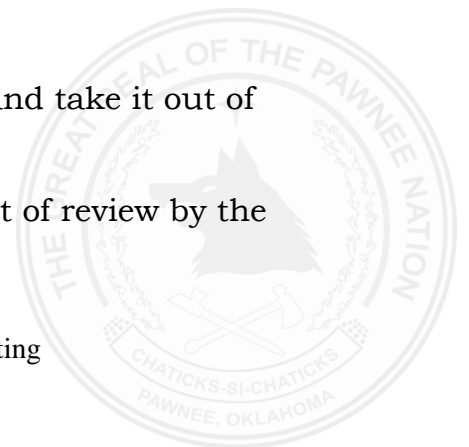
IV. Business:

- a. Discussion and/or Action on UN Declaration on Rights of Indigenous Peoples Resolution

Discussion among the Committee on suggested revisions to the Resolution. Mr. Echo-Hawk suggested additional language to be added. The Committee agreed to the additions.

The Committee agreed to change the format of the statute and take it out of resolution form.

Both documents will be sent to the President for the request of review by the Attorney General.



b. Discussion and/or Action PNGDC SOP

The Committee has created a subcommittee to make revisions to section 4 of the SOP. This section will outline the process and/or procedures for document review. Ms. Lisa Gover will take the lead on the subcommittee and Ms. Denise Miller and Mr. Joseph Reed has volunteered to assist.

V. Open Forum

Discussion among the Committee on the Constitution Convention. The Committee will begin creating a process starting at the first of September. Then the Committee will outline a timeline and other procedures to follow for the convention. Also, the Committee had discussion on requesting BIA funding for this process and maybe looking at a facilitator/monitor. More members will be added to the Committee for this project, thinking about 10 more people.

Chairwoman Butler mentioned to the Committee about the collaboration with the PN Land and Property Committee on a PN Land into Trust Statute/Ordinance/Policy and Procedure/SOP. The Committees will work together in creation of this document starting in August. Information will be forwarded to the Committee Chair and the Governing Documents Committee members.

Mr. Walter Echo-Hawk gave the committee an update on the Government-to-Government Consultation Statute. Since the enactment and implementation of the Statute, the Pawnee Nation will use the document for the first time in consultation with the EPA on the ongoing EPA issues in a meeting that will be within the next three months.

VI. Set the Next Meeting Date

The next meeting date has been set for August 9<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm via Teams application.

VII. Adjournment

Motion made by Walter Echo-Hawk to adjourn, seconded by David Kanuho. Vote: all in favor, none against, none abstaining and one not voting. Motion carries to adjourn at 7:45 pm.

