



Pawnee Nation Constitution Convention Meeting Minutes

Saturday, August 6, 2022 * 9 AM – 12 PM * PN Teams App

Constitutions outline the framework and powers of a government in several Articles or Sections. There are separate Articles for each branch of government that spell out their structure and provide rules and responsibilities for officials in each branch

- I. **Call to Order** – the meeting was reconvened from recess at 9:06 AM.
- II. **Invocation** – Sammye Kemble gave the opening invocation.
- III. **Roll Call of Delegates**

Roll call to establish a quorum was called: Aaron Prim – here, Bruce Pratt – absent, Carlton Gover – excused, Carol Chapman – absent, Carol Nuttle – absent, Chris McCray – here, Cliff Shilling – excused, Cynthia Butler – here, David Littlesun – here, Dawna Hare – here, Denise Miller – here, Electa Redcorn – here, Gene Evans – here, George Gardipe – here, Gilbert Beard – here, Illiana Vetter – absent, James Rice – here, Jeneen SunEagle – absent, Jenifer Littlesun – here, Jessica Leading Fox – absent, Jordan Kanuho – absent, Joseph Reed – here, Linda Jestes – absent, Lisa Gover – here, Louise Stevens – absent, Marcus Barnoskie – here, Marcus Frejo – absent, Meghan Cunningham – here, Misty Nuttle – here, Nila Whiteshirt – absent, Pat Leading Fox – absent, Reva Howell – absent, Sammye Kemble – here, Victoria LeftHand – here and Walter Echo-Hawk – here. **Quorum established.**

Present: Phil Gover, Virgil Wade, Jamie Nelson, Chad Smith, and Brian Kirk

IV. **Approval of Agenda**

Motion was made by Joseph Reed to amend the agenda to move Article II and III to the beginning of the agenda and the other items to the bottom of the agenda, seconded by Sammye Kemble.

Vote: 16 yes, 4 no, 0 abstain. Motion carries.

Motion was made by Walter Echo-Hawk to approve the agenda for August 6, 2022, seconded by Joseph Reed.

Vote: 16 yes, 4 no, 0 abstain. Motion carries.

V. Approval of Minutes

1. Approval of July 31, 2022 minutes

Motion was made by Denise Miller to approve the meeting minutes for Constitution Convention for July 31, 2022, seconded by Walter Echo-Hawk.

Vote: 17 yes, 0 no, 3 abstain. Motion carries.

VI. New Business

1. Finish up Article II discussion

The delegates continued discussion on Article II – Purpose.

Motion was made by Joseph Reed to table discussion on Article II until the end of the agenda, seconded by Walter Echo-Hawk.

Vote: 18 yes, 2 no, 0 abstain. Motion carries.

2. Discussion on Article III – Membership

The delegates began discussion on Article III – Membership.

**Jenifer Littlesun was excused at 4:43 PM*

Motion was made by Joseph Reed to call for a vote of the delegates who thinks there need to be changes to membership, seconded by Meghan Cunningham.

Vote: 16 yes, 3 no, 0 abstain. Motion carries.

Continued discussion on membership.

Motion was made by Joseph Reed to table the rest of the agenda until tomorrow’s meeting, seconded by Walter Echo-Hawk.

Vote: 16 yes, 3 no, 0 abstain. Motion carries.

3. Discussion on creating delegate workgroups

VII. Old Business

1. Finalize voting rules

2. Update meeting calendar

VIII. Call for Recess

Motion was made by Cynthia Butler to recess the Convention, seconded by Joseph Reed.

Vote: 16 yes, 3 no, 0 abstain. Motion carries to recess at 12:03 PM.

IX. Closing Remarks (Invocation)

Closing remarks and the closing invocation was given by Joseph Reed.