



Pawnee Nation Constitution Convention Meeting Minutes

Sunday, August 7, 2022 * 2 PM to 5 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** – Meeting was called to order at 2:08 PM.
- II. **Invocation** – Joseph Reed gave the invocation.
- III. **Roll Call of Delegates**

Roll call to establish a quorum was called: Aaron Prim – here, Bruce Pratt – here, Carlton Gover – absent, 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 – arrived at 2:15 PM, Meghan Cunningham – here, Misty Nuttle – absent, Nila Whiteshirt – absent, Pat Leading Fox – absent, Reva Howell – absent, Sammye Kemble – excused, 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 approve the agenda for August 7, 2022, seconded by Cynthia Butler.

Vote: 20 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain. Motion carries.

- V. **Old Business**
 1. **Article III (continuing discussion)**

Constitution Convention Delegates continued discussion on Article III – Membership.

Motion was made by Denise Miller to focus on the top two choices of membership/citizenship for continued discussion, seconded by Walter Echo-Hawk.

Vote: 19 yes, 1 no, 0 abstain. Motion carries.

Membership Discussion Vote:

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| Option 1 – Descendancy | 16 |
| Option 2 – Making 4/4 | 16 |
| Option 3 – Marshaling | 7 |
| Option 4 – Lowering Blood Quantum | 1 |

The delegates continued discussion on Option 1 and Option 2.

**Electa Redcorn was excused at 4:15 pm.*

Motion was made by Joseph Reed to table the last three agenda items until the next meeting, seconded by Lisa Gover.

Vote: 18 yes, 1 no, 0 abstain. Motion carries.

2. Finalize voting rules
3. Update meeting calendar

VI. New Business

1. Discussion on creating delegate workgroups

VII. Call for Recess

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

Vote: 19 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain. Motion carries to recess at 5:13 PM.

VIII. Closing Remarks (Invocation)

Closing remarks and the closing invocation was given by Marcus Frejo.