



**Pawnee Nation Governing Documents Committee**  
Quarterly Report to the Pawnee Business Council  
2nd Quarter  
April - June 2022

**I. COMMITTEE SUMMARY:**

The Committee assists in reviewing documents and making recommendations for revisions for Commissions and Boards.

The PN Governing Documents Committee is composed of the following members: Cynthia Butler, Chair; Walter Echo-Hawk, Co-Chair; Denise Miller, Member; Lisa Gover, Member; Joseph Reed, Member; and Victoria Lefthand, Member.

**II. Meetings:**

The Committee has met on the following dates during the first quarter: April 4, 14, & 25, May 9, 16, 23, 31, and June 6, 13, 16, 20, & 27.

**III. Quarterly Goals and Objective:**

a. Description on Activities Conducted

- i. PN Declaration on Rights of Indigenous Peoples Act (PN DRIPA) and UNDRIP Support – The Committee co-hosted, along with the Intergovernmental Affairs Committee, a third tribal forum on the PN DRIPA on April 23<sup>rd</sup>. On May 12, 2022, the PN DRIPA was presented to the PBC and was approved by a majority vote of the PBC by Resolution 21-52 for the endorsement of the UNDRIP.
- ii. PN Constitution Convention: The Committee has been working on the planning of the Constitution Convention. Mr. Philip Gover was asked to be the Moderator of the Convention. More information about the Convention will be sent out to the Delegates of the Convention and a press release will be created for the tribal membership.
- iii. PN Governing Documents Scholarship Program: The Committee scholarship has been uploaded to the website and will be advertised along with the other Committee Scholarships. The deadline was requested to be extended to August 15<sup>th</sup>.

b. New Objective for Next Quarter

- i. Continue with planning of the Constitution Convention and prepare for the launch of Orientation
- ii. Fundraise for the Scholarship Program



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- iii. Continue the review for revisions to governing documents
- iv. Review of the Pathway to Prosperity documents – Gaming Ordinance and the TDC Articles of Incorporation
- v. Revisions to the PN Election Act (withdrawal of a candidate)

**IV. Financial Reporting**

The financial report is recorded in the comprehensive report.

**V. Conclusion**

The Governing Documents Committee will continue to work on revisions to existing documents and the planning on the Convention. We look forward to a busy year next year and anticipate great things for the Pawnee Nation.