

Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma
Princess Committee
MEETING MINUTES
March 09, 2023 * 4:30 PM
881 Little Dee Rd. and Microsoft TEAMS (Virtual App)

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Cynthia Butler, Chair	Vicki Leading Fox, Member
Tiffany Frieze-Nichols, Co-Chair	Beverly Harjo, Member
Lisa Gooday, Secretary	Jamie Nelson, Member
Reva Howell Garcia, Treasurer	

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I. Call to Order & Invocation

Chairwoman, Cynthia Butler called the meeting to order at 4:38 P.M. and Mrs. Kacie Spears gave the invocation

II. Roll Call

Secretary, Lisa Gooday called to roll: Cynthia Butler - here, Tiffany Frieze-Nichols - here, Lisa Gooday - here, Reva Howell - here, Vicki Leading Fox - here, Beverly Harjo - here, and Jamie Nelson - excused. Quorum established.

III. Approval of Agenda

Motion made by Lisa Gooday to approve the Princess Committee Meeting Agenda for March 9, 2023, seconded by Vicky Leading Fox.

VOTE: all in favor, none against, none abstaining and one not voting. Motion carries.

**IV. Approval of Minutes
(a) February 21, 2023**

Motion made by Tiffany Frieze-Nichols to table the Princess Committee Meeting Minutes for February 21, 2023, seconded by Lisa Gooday.

VOTE: all in favor, none against, none abstaining and one not voting. Motion carries.

V. Princess Report

PN Princess, Quinnlen Spears reported activities for the following:

- a. Band - Large Ensemble Competition

- b. Band- Solo Competition
- c. Academic Team – Area
- d. Basketball – Filming

The committee asked for statement from Ms. Quinlenn as the outgoing Princess. This statement will be posted on the website, Facebook, quarterly report and in a press release.

VI. New Business

1. Update on Princess Fundraiser Food Drive

Ms. Lisa and Ms. Tiffany gave an update on the food drive.

- a. Food boxes currently at the DHCS building
- b. Time and date Quinlenn Spears to present donated food
- c. Ministry Alliance – Kacie Spears will contact Mrs. Brown

2. Pawnee Nation Princess Selection Discussion and/or Action on Coronation and dance

- a. Cynthia announced who had been selected as the next Pawnee Nation Princess, Miss Karen Rice.
- b. The Committee will be getting a press release out soon and then will send out the flyer for the Princess Dance.
- c. Minnie Rice, Michelle Rice Reed, Karen Rice joined the meeting via TEAMS

Discussion on Head Staff for the dance. (Name in parenthesis denotes who will get confirmation on head staff)

The Committee started off with discussion on a possible date to have the dance. Looking at Possible date for dance – April 22, 2023

- **MC-** Adrian Spotted Horsechief (Cynthia)
 - **Ads** – (1) Sonny Boy Fields (Cynthia) (2) Ralston Moore
 - **Head Man** – (1) Adrian Jones (Kacie) (2) Leland Rice (Cynthia)
 - **Head Lady** – Quinlenn Spears
 - **Water boys** – Charlie Rice (Cynthia), Ian Jones (Kacie)
 - **Cook** _ Michelle Leadingfox (Vicky)
 - **Head Singer** – (1) Pius Spottedhorsechief (Tiffany) (2) Jason Lightfoot (Tiffany)
- Noon meal, Dance to follow
 - Flyer – Reva Howell by Wednesday 3/15/23

- Building rentals (Roundhouse and Community Building) Tiffany Frieze-Nichols
- Concession Stand – Expo Director, Francis Primeaux
- Need from incoming Princess:
 1. Banner and Shawl – Reva will check with Karen Rice family on name and layout
 2. Biography on Karen Rice
 3. Headshot and a picture in Regalia
 4. PN Princess platform & Committee member liaison
 5. Princess Contract will be email to the incoming Princess - Reva
- Beverly Harjo to send out invites to surrounding Tribal Princesses when date is set for the Coronation & Dance
- Tiffany Frieze-Nichols will look at what the Committee has in inventory for giveaway, raffles, and other gifts.
- Reva Howell Garcia will be seeking sponsorships/donations for the food.
- Lisa Gooday will be seeking donations for raffles.
- Update on confirmations by March 15

3. Action on any Procurement items

The Committee discussed what was in the approved budget (\$2000.00) for 2023. There is cash on hand around \$509.00, and will look at getting on the Budget Committee agenda to ask for the carryover funds of \$5200.00 to be added to the 2023 budget. This amount is what was fundraised in 2022.

Motion made by Reva Howell Garcia to approve for the Incoming Princess Shawl and Banner order to be placed at Sharps Indian Store, not to exceed \$500.00, seconded by Tiffany Frieze-Nichols.

VOTE: all in favor, none against, none abstaining and one not voting. Motion carries.

VII. Open Forum

Lisa Gooday: Updated the Committee and sent the flyer on the announcement for Expo. The date has been set for August 2nd through the 5th, 2023.

Cynthia Butler: Sent the flyer for the Oklahoma Native Royalty/Our Native Traditions publication set for November 2023. They are calling all Tribal

Princesses from 2021-2024. Discussion on getting all three of our Pawnee Nation Princesses in contact with this organization for the publication.

VIII. Set Next Meeting Date

The next meeting date will be on Wednesday, March 15, 2023 @ 4:30 PM at the Building 64 Conference Room.

IX. Adjournment

Motion made by Reva Howell Garcia to adjourn, seconded by Tiffany Frieze-Nichols.

VOTE: all in favor, none against, none abstaining and one not voting. Motion carries to adjourn at 5:32 PM.

Minutes approved on: June 7, 2023