

## **COUNCIL/MEMBERSHIP MEETING OF OCTOBER 2, 2010**

Chief Panther calls the meeting of the SeCCI to order at 10:16 a.m.

There is a condensed reading of the minutes from March 20, 2010. Motion to accept minutes as read by: Don Standing Bear Schreiner. The minutes were approved.

### **FINANCIAL REPORT: Pam Sandusky, Treasurer**

Pam Sandusky gives the Financial reports as follows: (a copy of which is attached)

Balance in General Checking Account: \$3621.18

Grounds Account: \$188.76

Money Market Account: \$21,912.50

Chief Panther's Account: \$123.90

Beginning balance Income: \$4,708.50

Ending balance: \$3,428.50

Pam states so far we have spent about \$700.00 on repair of the drum arbor and the bridge. The roof of the drum arbor has been replaced with a tin roof. We had to rent a forklift to help make repairs.

The golf cart was fixed by Dewey at no expense to the tribe. The lights still need to be repaired. Dewey donated all his labor.

The Talking Leaves expense was \$592.50 and that includes the postage. The first issue of the Talking Leaves will have the subscription form to receive the Talking Leaves. If you do NOT fill out this form, you will not receive your Talking Leaves.

We have created a new web site through Intuit. It costs us \$200.00 per year. We paid \$15.00 for our own name to be taken out of I-Quest and changed to Intuit. It is run by Pam Sandusky and Joyce Bugaiski. We have quite a bit of information on there but it is a slow process so please bear with us and be patient.

We are a lot better off this year than we were last year. Pam states that she attributes this to the fact that an announcement was put out that all bands and clans are to contribute \$25.00 per year to the tribe. After the announcement went out, several bands and clans sent in the \$25.00. She stated that one band sent in \$300.00 and she said two bands sent in \$50.00. So there have been about six bands so far this year that have sent in donations.

The 12 Month financial report will be in the next Talking Leaves.

Motion made to accept Financial Report by Don Standing Bear Schreiner, report accepted as read.

### **REGISTAR'S REPORT: Lee Spotted Pony Billingsley**

Lee states that we have 223 new members, 3 inactive members, 49 members deleted (John Curtis' business member list), 3 members have walked on, and 2 members have resigned.

Lee states that he has approximately 106 replacement cards. His computer doesn't give an exact count. The total membership for the Southeastern Cherokee Council, Inc. as the present is 5793 members.

Motion is made to accept report as read. Report accepted.

**LEADER OF BANDS/CLANS REPORT:** Jack "White Eagle" Shryock

As of this date we have 27 full status bands. We have two working on formation, both are past bands of SeCCI. They are the Kentucky Black Wolf and the Arizona Firebird. Consideration for reinstatement will be as stipulated in the SeCCI by-laws. There has been a request by the chief of the Mi/Min Lost Tribes band for the name to be removed from the SeCCI. Members that wish to do so will be moved to other Michigan bands. That process is being addressed at this time. If a vote by council is required to remove the lost tribes name from the SeCCI, my vote would be to grant the request.

**Reading of the 4.5 SeCCI By-law by Don Standing Bear Schreiner.** Reading of the Amendment of the 4.5 by-law is also read by Don Standing Bear Schreiner prior to voting.

Don Standing Bear Schreiner makes a motion to accept the Amendment 4.5 to the by-laws. Lee Spotted Pony states that they have an issue with applications that still have the notary requirement on them. Chief Panther states that the Notary requirement was never put in the By-laws. This came about with Night Eagle. Joyce states that the new applications have been re-done and have no requirement for Notary. The new forms are now available on the new web site.

Lee states that he will send out new applications and tell them the new applications are on the web site. Chief Panther states that the notary requirement was never in any of the by-laws.

Motion was made to accept the Amendment to the 4.5 By-law. Amendment accepted as read and to be voted on today.

**VOTING OF THE OFFICERS**

Chief Panther asks Joyce Spirit Wind to give a report of the mail in ballots and then we will go one by one for the officers.

There were no nominations from the floor.

**The outcome of the SeCCI tribal voting is as follows:**

Principal Chief: Vivian Lawson Panther  
V. Chief: Don Standing Bear Schreiner  
Secretary: Joyce Spirit Wind Bugaiski  
Tribal Marshall: James Black Wolf Barfield  
Treasurer: Pam Standing Bird Sandusky  
Tribal Registrar: Lee Spotted Pony Billingsley  
Leader of Bands/Clans: Jack White Eagle Shryock  
Orator: Tar Morning Star Drazdowski  
Parliamentarian: Audrey Autumn Snow Jones

**Alternates:**

Ken Quiet River Fisher  
Sidney Medicine Crow Pope  
James Howling Wolf Allison  
Anne Night Wind Billingsley

## **GOOD AND WELFARE**

Chief Panther asks if anyone has any prayers that they would like to request.

Anita Spirit Talker Pope asks for prayers for Steed Many Horses Pope who is in the hospital.

Autumn Snow asks for prayers for a family member who was in the hospital and is now recovering at home and wishes to thank everyone for their prayers.

Chief Panther's granddaughter Kaylee, who has autism and epilepsy, now has a ruptured eardrum from a really bad ear infection that the doctor wasn't treating her for. She must now go for hearing tests to see if her hearing will be impaired. She would like prayers for Kaylee.

Chief Panther states that Mary Lynn has been diagnosed as having a light stroke. She has also had epilepsy since she was five years old. She is doing much better. Please keep her in your prayers also. She can no longer work and cannot drive ever again.

## **PRESENTATIONS:**

Medicine Crow Clan has donated \$25.00 to the tribe.

Grey Wolf Clan of Ochlocknee Band has donated \$117.00 to the tribe.

Spirit Wolf Watches Clan donated 50.00 to the tribe

Autumn Snow and Paul Mihacy donated \$100.00 to purchase a refrigerator for the cook shack.

Turtle Moon Band donated \$25.00 to the tribe.

The Thunderbird band of Michigan sent some gifts to be presented to Chief Panther for the tribe so that part of them will always be on the tribal grounds and Lee and Anne will take part of the grounds to them. So when they can't be here physically, part of them will always be on the grounds. Chief Panther opens the gift and says, "it's beautiful"! It's a buffalo jawbone painted by Rhonda. Chief Panther says it will go into the museum. She says, "thank you".

Anne says that she and Spotted Pony felt something was missing and they want to give to you and to the tribe. They presented the Chief and the tribe with a vinyl banner for the Southeastern Cherokee Council, Inc. Anne states that they had two of them made. One will remain at the tribal grounds and one will travel with them wherever they go to represent the tribe with Chief's permission. Anne states that the man that made these banners vectored the design so that we may use it for whatever we want, a t-shirt or a patch, etc. He will download this design whenever we need it. He's also going to keep the design on his files. Chief Panther states that this needs to be hung at every gathering in the council house and for ceremony. Anne states that it's waterproof and has grommets for easier hanging.

## **Discussion by Chief Panther**

Chief Panther says that her husband Grey Wolf, most of you knew, some of you here didn't know him, was active always as a Native American. He was also a member of the Black Wolf Warrior Society. When he became elderly, he was made a member of the Grey Feather Society and the Gourd and Blanket Society. Those items pertaining to those societies belonging to him that she has in her possession will be put into the museum along with Grey Wolf's painted portrait.

As of yesterday, October 1, 2010, the members of the Black Wolf Warrior Society, due to a lack of participation, a lack of dedication and a lack of even communicating with the rest of the Black Wolf Warriors, the Black Wolf Warrior Society was dissolved until a time when there is enough interest, true heart and

interest shown in wanting to be become a Black Wolf Warrior. At that time we will consider bringing it back. As of now, it is dissolved and no one is allowed to wear the Black Wolf Warrior regalia.

There will be an announcement in the next Talking Leaves, an announcement will be sent out over the internet and those that don't have email, it will be sent by regular mail.

The Black Wolf Warrior Society funds will go to the tribe into the general fund. At the present time it's in the Money Market account and will remain there until needed.

Any call for aid, a work weekend, will go out to the general membership of the tribe and it will be sent out over the announcements. Black Wolf states that it will be sent out at least 30 days in advance so that people can make arrangements to be available to help. However, Black Wolf also states that there are certain circumstances out of their control in cases of emergency aid needed from members of the tribe so in that case the 30 day notice would not apply.

Pam Standing Bird states that we will probably have some kind of work weekend before the Spring meeting and the Fall membership meeting to get the grounds prepared for those events.

Black Wolf also adds that he would like to see some sort of effort to come to the grounds. He states that he has his daughters, Pam, Chief Panther's sons, her grandsons and himself.

Chief Panther states that when she calls on her family, they come. She's had to do that a lot lately because no one else will come to help.

Chief Panther asks if there is any more business. There is none.

Motion to adjourn by Don Standing Bear Schreiner, seconded by James Black Wolf Barfield  
The meeting was adjourned at 11:42 am.

Respectfully submitted,  
Joyce Spirit Wind Bugaiski  
Secretary, SeCCI