

SECCI SPRING COUNCIL MEETING: MARCH 17, 2012

By Tribal Secretary Joyce Spirit Wind Bugaiski

Meeting called to order 10:10 AM

Joyce was asked by Chief Panther to officiate over this meeting in her place. A motion was made to skip the reading of the minutes from the October 2011 meeting. Motion accepted and passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Treasurer's report presented by Pam, written details to be provided by request, Motion to accept report by Anne Billingsley, 2nd by Tar Drazdowski- Motion passed.

REGISTRAR'S REPORT:

Registrar's report presented by Lee Billingsley. We have 67 new members, 75 cards printed, 3 members walked on, 1 member was marked from inactive to active status. We have a total of approximately 6,000 members at this time. Written details to be provided by request. Motion to accept report by Chief Panther, 2nd by Blackwolf Barfield- Motion passed.

BANDS & CLANS:

Bands & Clans report read by Joyce as submitted by Jack Shryock (not present): 28 Bands; 2 in Formation:

- Bear Spirit Band of Tennessee recommended for full band status. Motion made and passed.
- The Cedar Wolves Band of Alabama recommended for full band status. Motion made and passed.
- Wee Toc Band of NC requested to be removed as a band. Motion to remove them as a band made and passed.
- It is recommended that the following bands be removed for lack of leadership and/or interest:
 - Alaska Big Lake - removed
 - Michigan Wandering Waters - removed
 - Tennessee One Spirit - removed

OLD BUSINESS:

- Merchandise page has been added to the SeCCI website.
- It was agreed that the SeCCI website needs to be an ongoing expanding educational tool for people.
- Expand on Protocol for the tribal grounds, ceremony and guests. Tar agreed to put together a list for specific protocols and behavior on our National Tribal Grounds for members and guests.
- It was suggested that all newcomers receive a welcoming / short orientation with a packet of protocol of what we expect to maintain balance on our grounds. Anne agreed to put that together.

TALKING LEAVES:

Rick Runningbear Dunifer states that the cost of this issue was much less than previous issues due to cutting the paper to 16 pages and also being printed in black and white. Motion to accept report, Chief Panther, 2nd by Anne.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Ceremonies between the months of March and October will no longer be held on the tribal grounds due to lack of attendance and the large cost of food.
- Bands and Clans are encouraged to hold ceremony within their areas.
- Ceremonies will still be posted on our SeCCI website and in the Talking Leaves.
- The Green Corn Ceremony and the First New Moon of Spring will now be combined. Motion to accept by Pam Sandusky and 2nd by Chief Panther.
- Previously combined are Atohuna and Cherokee New Year Ceremonies.
- Put on website: If anyone is looking for ceremony, contact your local band and make arrangements to attend ceremony.
- Bunkhouse has not yet been repaired due to illness. Dewey Lawson will get this done ASAP.
- Tar stated she will make a contribution toward bunkhouse repair as soon as we know what the costs will be.
- Lease renewal: We currently don't have a notary and changes need to be made with dates. This will be taken care of in October. Motion made and accepted to table until the October meeting.
- Suggestions were made to make band/clans function better in regard teaching and doing traditional crafts.

GOOD & WELFARE: Chief Panther requested to keep V. Chief, Don Schreiner has been very ill and needs our prayers. Also keep in prayer Dewey Lawson, Blackwolf Barfield. Ariel Anderson is doing great. Marylynn is much improved. Blackwolf asks to keep Chief Panther in our prayers.

PRESENTATIONS: Lee Billingsley presented language books to each of us that were written and translated by him. These books will now be for sale on our SeCCI website.

Meeting adjourned 11:17 AM