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Lee Spotted Pony Billingsley states they got caught up on all of the applications for 2009 and membership cards. From January to March at this point we have 12 to 15 new members. One member has walked on. There were no drop-outs. Most of the names that they get are for new/duplicate cards. Chief Panther states that there have been more that have passed away and she will get that information to Lee. Lee states that are 5600 total members.

From the Leader of Bands/Clans:

Jack Shryock states that he's really happy that there are no bands to be removed. Jack stated that he's come to realize that we needed more flexibility with some of the issues we have with some of the band situations. Jack stated that he's really trying to do the best that he can to serve the bands that we have.

We have two bands today that have been in formation and are ready to come out and go to work. One of the bands is "Medicine Crow Clan" with clan Chief Sidney Medicine Crow Pope. Someone asks if they are a band or a clan. Jack states that they are a clan. Jack also expresses his appreciation to Medicine Crow for bringing the children.

Jack states that the other band that needs to come out of "formation" is the Texas Running Wolf Band with Chief Dr. Jeanette Bynum. They have about 60 members and they have met eight times and they have done everything they need to do.

Jack states that one other thing is that the North Carolina Weetoc Band with Chief Polly Talks with Hands Ritchie is that conversation with her that in her report that she requested that they no longer be a band with SeCCI. Jack said that he will get in touch with her again next year and see how they are doing. This will give them time to rebuild the band. J, everything is fine as far as bands go.

OLD BUSINESS:

Chief Panther states that the "old business" is the vote in October of all officers and the vote of the 4.5 amendment. That will be taken care of at the October meeting. There is mention of the errors on the ballots by Chief Panther, Black Wolf and Pam Sandusky. Pam states that the Talking Leaves has the ballots and the Parliamentarian and Orator names were switched around to the wrong positions. We have to go what the actual vote was at the meeting and correct the ballots to reflect the actual minutes and the actual votes. If you've already sent an incorrect ballot to Joyce, what we are going to do is have her send them a corrected ballot. They will need them to redo the vote on the corrected ballot. We are not asking them to get them notarized again because Joyce can compare the signatures on the original ballot that she received and the corrected ballot and make sure that had the two signatures are the same.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Pam states that we have not gotten anywhere with our webpage. She gave

the information for our webpage to a person who we were hoping would be able to do work on our webpage. Pam said that they have tried to do it themselves and it is extremely difficult. We have a gentleman that is an SeCCI member that might be interested when he has some time. He's working on a new one right now for a church. So we're hoping we can get his help with it. We would also like to have more than one person doing it so that we are never stuck with this problem again.

The secretary and other key persons will have access to it. Whatever gets put on the website would be for council approval and/ or approved by Chief Panther.

Pam states if we don't go that route with one of Joyce's members who is a webmaster then we may want to look into intuit quick books has a new webpage. They are \$100.00 per year and she's going to look into that and see if it's simple and easy. It's going to cost us maybe \$90.00 more to start a new one and I think we are better off starting a new one with other people having access to it that have knowledge to be able to do it.

Joyce states that there is one thing that came up when she had her domain name was that she could not use her same domain name immediately after she closed her account with one webmaster. She was told that she would have to wait six months to be able to use that name again. The name would have to be cleared for six months before the same name could be used again. So if we have to do the same for the SeCCI we need to figure out a way to get around that and still be us. Joyce stated that she didn't know if that was still the case but it was something that we needed to keep in mind as far our name was concerned. Pam stated that if that was the case, we would just not put SeCCI.com but to use the entire name, Southeastern Cherokee Council. (dot) org.

- Pam stated that she had put a phone and a wireless internet in her home and the tribal office is basically her home. So, Pam's phone number is the SeCCI business phone number. So that number is now in Pam's house. It is a whole lot less expensive to have it as Pam's personal number that to have it listed as a business number for the SeCCI. Pam states that the number is valid and if no one has it, she can give it to you if you cannot reach Chief Panther or James you can always call that number. It has an answering machine on it and she is there every day. Pam states that she just received a call from Anchorage Alaska last week and the caller asked if this was SeCCI. We can't list it as SeCCI. So the Treasurer will have to say yes to those phone calls when they come in. That's how we got around that.

- The other new business we would like to discuss is that the girls and Pam have

been doing some work in the museum. They have cleaned out the back office and made it into a display area. We have also cleaned out the back kitchen area to have more display area in there. The problem we have with the museum is that there is not enough money in the museum fund to put an addition to the museum. And she states that she can't see putting on an addition to the museum when we don't really have the need for it. We need to be able to take care of what we have and we are not doing real well at taking care of what we have right now. We basically need to put our money into something that is useful for the tribe and can be used by the tribe when people are here. Black Wolf jokingly says, "like a limousine". (laughter) We do have funds allocated for the museum but it doesn't mean that it has to be used for that purpose (expansion). We also have the New Hope fund that initially set up to get us recognition. Chief Panther says that it's not going to happen. Pam states also that it's not going to happen. Chief Panther states that she has talked to his widow (I assume the widow of the benefactor of the New Hope Fund) and that she gave us the authority to use it for whatever we needed it for. Autumn Snow asks what kind of help is required. Chief Panther states, physical construction, construction help. Pam states that one man, a truck and three women just can't build a building. Pam states that we are asking for physical help. Chief Panther states that it will be a work weekend, notice sent out and those that can, come and help

James Black Wolf Barfield states that for the past several years this on the bridge on the Grounds washes out. It but that section is also the direction that Chief Panther takes to get back and forth to her home to the tribal grounds. Black Wolf states that he has talked to Chief Panther about this and she is suggesting that we make a bridge two or three steps up with railings. It will be big enough for a golf cart to go over.

- Ken Quiet River Fisher asks, what the problem is with all the water on the grounds. Chief Panther tells him that the problem is this, there is a big pond over on Georgia three and when we have a heavy rain he opens his spillway and she has already checked into it and there is not a thing that can be done about it. When he opens the spillway on his big pond over there the water comes under the highway and fills up these grounds. She states that twice we've had water in the council house. Black Wolf states that we have two golf carts sitting over at Chief Panthers. One of them is no good except for parts. Dewey agrees. Chief Panther says that one of them has a dead battery. It needs a whole new set of batteries. It's going to need tires, batteries.

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