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President's Report

Annual Meeting, Referendum Election, Wichita/Pawnee Visitation, Wichita Annual Dance, and many more things going on over the next few months. Here is a brief update on some items that we have been working on as we gear up for upcoming events.

Event Center Construction & Renovations
On page 9 you will find a photo of the construction for the Event Center. On page 9, we have included information on entertainment scheduled for the new event center. The first events will be held in September.

Dance Building
Renovations began on February 3, 2014. The dance building will ***not*** be completed in time for the Annual Meeting. It will be completed in time for the Annual Dance so that we can have an open house and allow tribal members to see the new building. We will have more information in the next newsletter.

Free Photo ID's Until July 18, 2014
The Wichita and Affiliated Tribes will offer FREE tribal ID's to enrolled tribal members 18 and over from July 1 to July 18, 2014. Valid federal, state or Tribal identification is required to vote in the Referendum Election to be held on July 19, 2014. You must be present for the ID to be made. You may contact the enrollment office at (405) 247-2425 ext. 134. We encourage you to call ahead of time to make sure some is available to assist you when you arrive.

Sample Ballots for Referendum Election
Sample ballots are available for view at the Tribal Administration Building and on the tribal website at www.wichitatribe.com. Please make sure you get out to vote. I have provided the same information that was provided last year regarding the referendum election. You can find those on page 17.

Thank You to Commissioners
I would like to thank Betty Wolfe for her service on the Wichita Housing Authority and to the Wichita people by serving on the Wichita Housing Authority Board. Ms. Wolfe served for over 15 years on the Wichita Housing Authority. Ms. Wolfe decided not to request to be reappointed after her term ended on April 30, 2014. Ms. Wolfe served the Wichita Housing Authority well during her time as a Commissioner. Ms. Wolfe served until Dallas Nimsey was appointed to the Wichita Housing Authority in June.

I would also like to thank Beth Parker for serving on the Wichita Gaming Commission. Ms. Parker was appointed the Wichita Gaming Chairman in 2009 and has served in that position since. Ms. Parker helped get the Wichita Gaming Commission going at a time when it was hard serving on one of these boards as it was new to everyone. As President, Ms. Parker was my choice to remain on the board, however, the rest of the Wichita Executive Committee chose to appoint Sandra Wilson in June.

New Programs & Grants
The Tribe has received notification that it will be receiving an Air Grant and VOCA grant. We have also created a temporary position to respond to Section 106 requests regarding cell tower sites that will be funded by the consultation fee charged for providing certain information and documentation regarding the location and condition of the individual sites. It has been several years since we have had any new grants or new

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funding from other sources. Mr. Prince from EPA was able to work on the Air Grant. The VOCA grant was done by Mr. Clark the grant writer. The Committee approved the Cell Tower proposal by tribal member Mary Botone.

Wichita Tribal Gift Shop

Charlene Harris has been working to get Pendleton blankets for the Wichita Tribal Gift Shop. The Committee has approved the purchase. We hope to have those in by Christmas.

Accomplishments for this Past Year

Last year in my written President's Report for the Annual General Council Meeting there were several things discussed about things we wanted to accomplish by July 2016. In my report to the General Council this year, I will highlight some of the things that we have accomplished this year which include: Event Center, Internship Program, grant application for strategic planning, added a few grants and Dance Building renovations. We have also been working on land purchases and a hotel. I will provide more information on the progress of those during the Annual Meeting.

Interns Visit to AI/WTE

On June 24 and 25th, the tribal interns and myself traveled to Houston to visit the offices of Anadarko Industries. On behalf of the Interns, I would like to thank Anadarko Industries and Wichita Tribal Enterprises for their help in responding to my request for the interns to visit Anadarko Industries and NASA. After taking them to visit the other tribal business organizations it only seemed right that they also visit those companies. While there are many people to thank, we would like to especially thank Tom Short, Kenn Hall, Mark Ovensy and Amy from Anadarko Industries. Mr. Ovensy was a great guide at the Space Vehicle Mockup Facility and you could tell he was enthused about the work that he does for the company. Mr. Ovensy was very knowledgeable about the shuttle, shuttle features and missions. Michael Bert, Wichita Tribal member and intern for Anadarko Industries, was a great guide and worked out the details for the trip and Robert White set up the rental car. We met at the Anadarko Industries Offices where we met the staff and learned their roles in the companies. We toured the Neutral Buoyancy Laboratory Operations Control Center, Space Vehicle Mockup Facility (SMVF) and Mission Control Center. Mary, a new employee for Wichita Tribal Enterprises and working at NASA joined us for the tour at the Buoyancy Laboratory. The interns will be doing a presentation at the Annual Meeting to tell about their experiences. It was a great experience for the interns. We appreciate everyone involved in helping. A picture is on page 12.

Gaming Board

Last year at the Annual Meeting, there was a vote to form a separate gaming board. We have looked at the issue several times throughout the year. There was no date set on when this had to be accomplished. There are things that we are working on that will be described in more detail at the Annual Meeting as to why we have not accomplished this yet but will be working toward that goal for the future as we expand.

Conclusion

Sometimes I write these reports and there are things that I would like to go into more detail about but because of confidentiality agreements and competition, there are times that we can only mention things enough for you to know that we are working on them. This is the leadership that you elected. I hope we have proven to you that we are trying to keep you more informed and that we are trying to make the best decisions as your elected leadership. If you notice in the Accomplishments for this Past Year I mentioned land purchase and hotel. Those are things that we have been working on. We will be able to provide a more thorough report at the Annual Meeting. We hope that you will join us that day and take part in the great things happening for our tribe. Also, please come out and vote during the Referendum Election. Whether you agree with the wording, the issues or the leadership, you should participate in the voting for our tribe. We are putting these out to the vote of our people. It is your duty to come and vote and to get your families to come and vote for whichever way you choose to vote. Some of these are big issues and there are pros and cons to each that will effect our tribe for many years to come. I will be voting yes on all of the issues because of my experience with enrollment and elections. I believe that it is the right thing to do to progress our Tribe. May God bless you and give each of you safe travels as you journey to vote and take part in your tribe. I see great things happening in the future for our Tribe. I hope you will take part as we continue to move forward. May God bless each of you and give you the knowledge, wisdom and understanding to make the right decision during the upcoming Referendum Election.

Upcoming Events

Wichita/Pawnee Visitation
July 16, 2014
Annual General Council Meeting & Referendum Election
July 19, 2014
Wichita Annual Dance
August 14-18, 2014

Wichita Executive Committee Report-#1

Wichita Executive Committee
Activity Summary
April 1-June 30, 2014

Please note that this is just to give you a summary of the various issues discussed by the Committee and in some cases the things approved. This is not all inclusive but it is being provided to you to give you an idea of the various things that come before the Committee. Listed are the main topics with brief listings of things discussed.

04/01/2014-Special Meeting

- Tribal Administrator-Charles Tippeconic-Personnel updates, selection of Social Services Director-Shirley Kay Mopope, AoA & Caregiver Budget information, SNIP Program for AoA food and approved donation of gift cards for AoA Easter party.
- Sugar Creek Casino & WGC-Discussion was held on renovations at Sugar Creek Casino, backgrounding contractors and non-key subcontractors, hiring of construction workers, crap card game, request for a board review, U.S. Army Corp of Engineers, food consultant, and drafting a workplace violence policy.
- Update on Tobacco Compact-President Paton presented information regarding Tobacco Compact.
- HSDW Email Update-WCD Land Exchange, Wright properties, hotel, trust applications, Federal Charter appeal, Business Site Leasing Ordinance
- Discuss Meeting Again on Thursday, April 3, 2014-Agreed to meet on April 3, 2014.

04/03/2014

- Resolutions for Approval-WT-14-80-Amending the Policies and Procedures for the Wichita and Affiliated Tribes-Tabled from 03/25/2014; WT-14-81-WTC Commissioner Appointment; WT-14-82-Approving Scope of Services with USACE for SCC Construction-Tabled; WT-14-83-Enrollment; WT-14-84-Amending the FY-2014 Priority List for the Transportation Program.
- Old Business-Discussion on Language App and Tobacco Compact.
- New Business-Hi-speed internet meeting with AT&T on 04/14/14, Bacone College letter to purchase tribal flag, TSSF request approved, USDA FDPIR tribal share information, approval of HSDW invoice, discussion on Sugar Creek Casino and Smoke Shop issues, moving SCC shuttle pick up from Walmart to CrossTimbers and approval to spray for termites.

04/08/2014-Special Meeting

- Tribal Administrator Report-Charles Tippeconnic-Upcoming activities announced, AT&T fiber optic line, TSSF program budget, Caregiver program budget, Elder Lawn program, and Social Services Director.
- Hobbs, Straus, Dean & Walker, LLP-Executive Session-Discussion was held on Land Exchange, Federal Charter, Business Site Leasing Ordinance, hotel, Tobacco Compact, Wright properties, SBA and HSDW invoices.
- Resolutions for Approval-WT-14-85-Enrollment, WT-14-86-Authorizing President to Sign ONAC Mini Grant Agreement and WT-14-82-Approving Scope of Services with USACE for SCC Construction tabled from 04/03/14 meeting.

04/14/2014-Regular Meeting

- Tribal Administrator-Charles Tippeconnic-HR report, USDA management evaluation, BIA On-Site Review of P.L. 638 Programs, Indirect Cost budget, AoA/Caregiver/SNIP budgets approved and AoA tables need to be exchanged.
- Wichita Tribe Industrial Development Commission-Discussion was held on Clark Southard, Regional Economic Development, community capacity, business retention and expansion, business incubators, strategic plan, construction, WTIDC still working on quarterly report and Wichita Travel Plaza.
- Finley & Cook-Discussion was held on the financial statements, deferred revenue, net profit, budget for Wichita Travel Plaza prior to opening and 638 contract funds.
- AT&T-Discussion on fiber optic line.
- Site Planning/Water Issue-Discussion was held on water and sewer for future expansion near Wichita Travel Plaza and CNG pumps. Discussion on potential projects such as an RV park, museum, dance-ground, office buildings, hotel, fast food, etc.
- Minutes-Approved.
- Old Business-WCD issues.
- New Business-Approval of agenda for Annual Meeting on July 19, 2014, discussion on Resource Booklet, CCDF set aside and potential buildings for renovation for CCDF. Resolutions for Approval-WT-14-87 & WT-14-88-Authorizing the Establishment of ICW Minor Accounts; WT-14-89-Authorize President to sign contract for petting zoo for CCDF; WT-14-90-Approving Reimbursement from SCC to Smoke Shop for Audit Findings; WT-14-91-Tabled WTC Budget Modification; WT-14-92-Approved SCC Game Lease;

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- New Business Continued-Discussion on Sugar Creek Casino Marketing Manager, PTO, Dating Policy, construction, parking lot, café hours, food consultant, shuttle cameras, procedures for threats, card crap game, new MICs regulations, policies awaiting WGC approval, carpet and marketing procedures. WT-14-93-Approving Certain Revisions to the Sugar Creek Casino Handbook, WT-14-94-Approving a Budget Line Item Increase for the Wichita Tribal Gift Shop and WT-14-95 -Approving the Submission of the Administration of Native Americans for a SEDS Tribal Government Grant Application.

04/22/2014-Special Meeting

- Builders Unlimited-Discussion on electric, gas, vestibule, fire hydrants, fire suppression, HVAC, pantry, garbage disposal, doors, construction progress, floors, hand dryers, change orders, colors, plumbing, pay app and next meeting.
- Hobbs, Straus, Dean & Walker, LLP-Executive Session -Wright properties, hotel, Tobacco Compact, AT&T, Land Exchange, cage fights, and Sugar Creek Casino vendors.
- Resolutions for Approval-WT-14-96-Enrollment; WT-14 -97-Relinquishment; WT-14-98-AT&T Contract-Tabled; WT-14-99-Tobacco Compact; WT-14-100-Wright Properties-Tabled and WT-14-91-WTC Budget Modification-Tabled from meeting on 04/14/14.
- Old Business-Sugar Creek Casino, CCDF vehicle purchase, WCDC star rating, land for sale, Summer Youth Program, Referendum Election, new programs, approved Internship Program and entrance sign.
- New Business-Enrollment issue, tribal member requests, approved Anadarko Indian Education donation, American Indian Expo, approved HSDW invoices, Commission reports and financials travel to Kansas historical sites, the need for nutritious foods at AoA and receipts for paid meals at AoA.

04/29/2014-Special Meeting

- Brian Pogue-Discussion on expanding BIA 638 Programs and Self-Governance.
- Tribal Administrator-Charles Tippeconnic-CCDF vehicle purchase, AT&T, approved TSSF budget modification, approved FDP budget modification, garage door, HR outstanding issues, AoA salad bar and floors, BIA entrance meeting, wood chipper and controlled burn, Family Violence funding, lights for complex, IT policy, compliance officer, grant writer, Summer Youth Program and spraying for termites.
- Sugar Creek Casino-Glen Coleman-Event Center and renovation update, US Army Corp of Engineer inspections, cage fights, procedures for theft, café, shuttle cameras, carpet and entertainment.
- Hobbs, Straus, Dean & Walker, LLP-Executive Session -Wright properties, hotel, Land Exchange, Tobacco Compact, AT&T contract and Gaming Ordinance revisions.
- Resolutions for Approval-WT-14-100-Tabled-Wright properties; WT-14-101-Tabled Release of Funds for Properties; WT-14-102-SCC-Game Lease; WT-14-103-Approving Intern Budget and Transfer of Funds from the WTC and WT-14-104-Tabled AoA Funding for Salad Bar and food items.
- Old Business-Reviewed documents for new scholarship and reviewed documents for potential programs for dental and orthodontic for FY-2015 per requests in surveys.
- New Business-Consensus for no action regarding BIA judges, tribal member request, approved donation to Rock Springs Church to assist with roof, approved Resolution WT-14-105 to Transfer Funds for Dance Building, Billie Foreman warrant issued 12/31/2013 by Social Security Administration regarding minor supervised accounts and TSSF.

05/06/2014-Special Meeting

- Builders Unlimited-Temporary columns, water shut off, floor stain, VCT, seal, facia, gables, gutters, down spouts, shutters and pay app.
- Tribal Administrator-Charles Tippeconnic-Approval to purchase CCDF vehicle and approval to purchase salad bar. Will provide updates on other issues at next meeting.
- Hobbs, Straus, Dean & Walker, LLP-Executive Session -Wright properties, hotel, AT&T contract, Gaming Ordinance revisions, Gaming Board and Land Exchange.
- Updates by President-CNG information for Travel Plaza, AT&T, water and sewer for Travel Plaza site, WCD and Sugar Creek Casino construction.
- Resolutions for Approval-WT-14-100-Wright properties-tabled from previous meeting; WT-14-101-Wright properties release of funds-tabled from previous meeting; WT-14-104-AoA funding-tabled from previous meeting; WT-14-106-WTC-3rd Quarter-Release of Funds; WT-14-107-WGC-3rd Quarter-Release of Funds; WT-14-108-Enrollment; WT-14-109-SCC Consultant Proposal and WT-14-110-Tabled LOI for hotel.
- Old Business-Intern Budget funds from WTC Account.
- New Business-Tribal member requests, WTSC Commissioner, COLA's to be included in FY-2015 budget proposals.

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05/08/2014-Special Meeting

- Sugar Creek Casino-Glen Coleman-Shuttle issues, shuttle cameras, blackjack issues, POS system, construction update, meeting with US Corp of Engineers, food consultant, entertainment and new snack bar.
- Tara Tartsah-American Indian Exposition-Discussion on elections, financial donations and fund raisers.
- Resolutions for Approval-WT-14-111-WTSC Appointment of Joneil Tahmahkera.
- Old Business-Referendum Election, scholarships, new programs for consideration for FY-2015 including dental, orthodontic and home improvements, annual dance future carnival, basketball and horseshoes for this years dance, SCC construction update, approval to look into cage fights at complex and WCD update.
- New Business-Approval for records disposition for FDP, denied donation, approved SPIRO Mounds request, information on inquiry regarding CrossTimbers building.

05/13/2014-Special Meeting

- Tribal Administrator-Charles Tippeconnic-Garage door, AoA program meals, approved WT-14-113-Kitchen floor bid, discussion on AoA van, CCDF vehicle, approval of transfer of job duties for LIHEAP and CSBG, request TA to email staff about use of tribal property and discussion on TA time.
- Wichita Gaming Commission-Discussion on blackjack issues, NIGC audit update, construction issues, Gaming Ordinance recommendations, FY-2015 budget, POS system, insurance, policies update, card craps game audit and IT.
- Resolutions for Approval-WT-14-112-Enrollment and WT-14-98-AT&T Contract-tabled from previous meetings.
- Old Business-CNG update, Cobell update, update on meeting with US attorney, Riverside School Board and graduation dates, WCD update.
- New Business-Action regarding court orders for child support, approval to give until 06/30/2014 for Children's Clothing receipts, approval for dates for distribution of Children's Clothing for FY-2014, bank account deposits, bank account fees, tribal member requests, tribal flag request, approval of Finley & Cook invoice, After School Program and AoA.

05/20/2014-Special Meeting

- Builders Unlimited-Discussion on facia, down spouts, gutters, east entry, signage, contingency, tile, plumbing, electrical, US Corp of Engineer inspections and interior finishes.
- Tribal Administrator-Charles Tippeconnic-Approval for bid to replace garage door, review position descriptions for LIHEAP and CSBG, review contract for billing services for the Child Development Center, termites, wood piles and cemetery.
- Hobbs, Straus, Dean & Walker, LLP-Executive Session -Wright properties, hotel, SBA, Wichita Travel Plaza fuel contract, ASCAP for SCC and Wichita Gaming Ordinance.
- American Indian Exposition-Discussion on carnival, officers and elections, next meeting and princess expenses.
- Sugar Creek Casino-Discussion was held on part time positions for those in school, point system, key positions, shuttle, etc.
- Resolutions for Approval-WT-14-113-Enrollment; WT-14-114-Authorizing Release of Funds for Dance Building and WT-14-115-Approving a farming & grazing lease.
- Old Business-SCC parking lot, tabled Self-Governance contract discussion, decision not to pursue cage fight at complex, approval for F&C access to account information, approval for dates for Children's Clothing, approval of Summer Interns, Referendum Election discussion and approval for scholarship program.
- New Business–Motion to table New Business.

05/22/2014-Special Meeting

- Sugar Creek Casino-Parking Lot-Discussion was held with the architect and casino manager regarding the Sugar Creek parking lot.
- Tribal Administrator-Charles Tippeconnic-Approved position description changes for TSSF director and caseworker and executive session for personnel.
- Tabled Items from May 20, 2014-Approval to purchase ad in Visitors Guide and bill entities for their portion, tribal member requests, discussion on four tribes board member, approval of study from OU student, approval for donation and discussion on minimum wage for tribe.
- Old Business-Approval of event center opening entertainment and approval not to pursue a carnival for this years annual dance due to cost and space.
- New Business-Approval of the American Indian Elder Wisdom Heritage Project and discussion on meeting with Caddos and Delawares.

06/03/2014-Special Meeting

- Hobbs, Straus, Dean & Walker, LLP-Executive Session -Wright properties, hotel, Land Exchange, SBA and Wichita Gaming Ordinance.

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- Resolutions for Approval-WT-14-116-Tabled submission of gaming ordinance revisions; WT-14-117-Authorizing Release of Funds for Tribally Funded Programs for 4th Quarter; WT-14-118-Appointing Gladys Walker to Four Tribes Board; WT-14-119-Enrollment; WT-WT-14-120-Approval of Farming & Grazing Lease; WT-14-121-Tabled CCDF Feasibility Study Agreement and WT-14-122-Approved CCDF Child Count Agreement.
- Old Business-Approval for President to sign change order for SCC parking lot project, pay app #6 for parking lot, Expo meeting update, approval to proceed with WTSC Commissioner appointment, tribal member request, approval for change order for Dance Building, information on Reintegration grant and Summer Interns visit to Anadarko Industries and Wichita Tribal Enterprises.
- New Business-Discussion on WGC commissioner appointment, discussion on WHA commissioner appointment, denied Oklahoma Through Her People Book request, approved HSDW invoice, discussion on employee photo ID policy, approval of letter of support for Anadarko Public Schools grant, approval of administrative leave for employee picnic, information on TERO grant funding, approval for SCC to donate to Stephenson powwow, tribal member requests and denied NYPD camp request for use of suburban since there are GSA vehicles.

06/09/2014-Special Meeting

- Meeting with Directors-FY-2015-Budgets-Meetings were held with the directors of the following programs that receive tribal funding, could be expanded if tribal funding were provided and potential new programs: Domestic Family Violence, employee recognition, ICW, grants, education programs, Motor Fuels, TERO, Health-Motor Fuels, Clean Water Act 106, Cultural Program, AoA, CCDF, Juvenile Services including the After School Program and the Summer Youth Program, Fitness Center and TSSF Program.

06/10/2014-Special Meeting

- Bledsoe & Associates-FY-2013-Audit-Discussion on FY-2013 audit included: new accounting standards, new terminology, major program findings, CHR participation files, assets, WHA audit, Smokeshop, Tax Commission, Wichita Gaming Commission, WTIDC and Sugar Creek Casino audits.
- Finley & Cook-Becky Carter-Reviewed May 2014 financials, grants that end in September, budget modifications, accounts payable, program directors submitting requests over budget line item amount.
- Hobbs, Straus, Dean & Walker, LLP-Executive Session -Discussion was held on Gaming Ordinance, Wright properties, SBA and hotel.
- Old Business-Discussion on AVP metro petroleum rebate, discussion on Dance Building change order, update on meeting with City Manager, review of RFQ for water and sewer lines and approval of free ID's beginning July 1, 2014 for Referendum Election.
- New Business-Tribal member requests, TSSF requests, potential contracts for business and cell tower sites.

06/16/2014-Special Meeting

- Meeting with Directors-FY-2015-Budgets-Meetings were held with the directors of the following programs that receive tribal funding, could be expanded if tribal funding were provided and potential new programs: FDPIR, Gift Shop, Burial Assistance, assistance pending Referendum Election, Transportation, Cultural Program, Fitness Center, Indirect Cost.

06/17/2014-Special Meeting

- Tribal Administrator-Charles Tippeconnic-Discussion was held on BIA-638 contracts, insurance bids, approval for bid to fix side of Administration building, approved bid for entrance sign to complex, CCDF findings in audit, CHR findings in audit and approval to get dumpster for Annual Dance.
- Sugar Creek Casino-Glen Coleman-discussion on parking lot, construction update, FY-2013 audit, NOV, food consultant, machines, vanity, advertising for maintenance position and jackpot account signatories.
- Resolutions for Approval-WT-14-110-Authorizing President to sign LOI for hotel tabled from previous meeting; WT-14-116-Adopting and Authorizing the Submission of the Revisions for the Gaming Ordinance tabled from previous meeting; WT-14-121-Authorizing President to Sign the Agreement for Professional Services for Feasibility Study for After School Program; WT-14-123-Enrollment; WT-14-124-Authorizing Funds to Purchase Pendleton Blankets w/seal for Gift Shop; WT-14-125-Appointing Wichita Housing Authority Commissioner; WT-14-126-President Parton submitted resolution to reappoint Beth Parker who has experience as Wichita Gaming Chair and does not sit on another board-WEC requested Sandra Wilson-WEC appointed Jesse Jones to chair meeting-WEC approved Resolution WT-14-126 -4-0-1 with Shirley Davilla abstained; Resolution WT-14 -127-Approved Tribal Employee ID Policy;

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- Resolutions for Approval Regarding IHS-WT-14-128-Approved support resolution for IHS Funding Level; WT-14-129-Approve support resolution for MRI Modular Building; WT-14-130-Did not approve support resolution for Walters Clinic-need more information; WT-14-131-Approved support resolution for audit of medical personnel and WT-14-132-Approved support resolution for Reinstatement of Medical Doctor.
- Old Business-Set date for RFQ meeting for waterline proposals, approval for temporary hire for Cell Tower Sites, dance building update, consensus to move forward with a museum for ICDBG grant and approval to seek proposals for FY-2014 audit.
- New Business-Tribal member requests, education request, PSSF request, approved Expo Softball Tournament donation, approved WT-14-133-Assume Caddo Nation Indian Child Welfare 638 Program, approved for all WEC to attend OIGA if they want to attend, Wichita Travel Plaza financials, City Manager holding meeting on July 17, 2014, denied payment of OCAITHB Health Board dues, approved meal purchase from KIG for Annual Meeting.

06/24/2014-Special Meeting

- Builders Unlimited-Discussion was held on EFIS, stove, three compartment sink, doors, hardware, exterior sod, need to purchase refrigerator, fire suppression system and next meeting date. Tour of Dance Building.
- Tribal Administrator-Charles Tippeconnic-Accounting Liaison position, Cell Tower Site position, employee picnic, AT&T, insurance proposals, CHR transporter, swimming pool rental for Summer Youth Program.
- Old Business-Sandra Wilson complaint on President regarding WGC appointment, approval for Secretary to sign signature card for jackpot accounts at SCC, tribal member requests, approval for submission of management letter for audit, legal update via email, WT-14-134 -Approved Enrollment and discussion on election officials for Referendum Election.
- New Business-Approved sponsorship from Sugar Creek Casino for Wichita Annual Dance.

06/25/2014-Special Meeting

- Water & Sewer Line Request for Qualification-2 interviews
- Windpower Information with Development Company
- Minutes-Approved 06/17/2014
- Old Business-Tribal member requests and authorized property surveys.
- New Business-None

President Additional Meetings

Quarter-April 1 to June 30, 2014. The number in front represents the number of meetings.

- 3-Inter-Tribal Health Board Meeting-04/03/14 (IHS-Lawton), 05/01/14 (IHS-Anadarko), 06/12/14 (IHS-Lawton)
- 1-WCD-06/12/2014
- 1-BIA Superintendent-04/02/14
- 2-Language Fair-2 Days April 7th & 8th, 2014
- 2-Education Consultations-04/15/14 & 04/29/14
- 1-IHS Office of Environmental Health-04/17/14
- 1-ASCOG Meeting at Duncan-05/08/14
- 1-American Indian Institute-05/09/14
- 1-Anadarko Hospital Administrator-05/14/14
- 1-Staff Meeting-05/05/14, 05/23/14
- 1-BIA Review-Exit Meeting-05/09/14
- 1-Oklahoma Heritage Museum-05/20/14
- 1-SCC-Meeting with Contractor-05/27/14
- 1-Meeting with Delaware and Caddo Nation-05/29/14-Jesse Jones, Shirley Davilla, Myles Stephenson Jr. and Gladys Walker also attended.
- 1-Cobell Meeting-06/02/14
- 1-SCC-Meeting with Manager-06/03/14
- 1-SCC-Parking Lot Meeting 06/03/14
- 1-Sovereignty Symposium-06/04/14 & 06/05/14
- 1-City Manager-06/10/14
- 1-Potential Project-06/10/14
- 1-Tribal Member-Potential Program-06/10/14
- 1-Women Leaders Forum-06/13/14
- 1-BIA Tribal Info Meeting-06/11/14 Jessika Jones, Intern, also attended.
- 1-Anadarko Industries & Wichita Tribal Enterprises Tour with Interns in Houston, TX-06/23/14 & 06/24/14
- 1-UINOKT Meeting at Quapaws Downstream-06/27/14
- 1-Meeting with Governor Fallin@ Peoria Golf Course-06/27/14

Tribal Enrollment
As of 06/30/2014
2,756

Wichita-Pawnee Visitation Begins in July

The Wichita-Pawnee Visitation will begin on July 16, 2014. The Wichita's will be traveling to Pawnee this year . For more information, you may contact Gary McAdams at (405) 247-2425, Ext.169.

Children's Clothing Assistance Guidelines for FY-2014

Wichita and Affiliated Tribes
Administrative Guidelines
Children's Clothing Assistance Program
FY-2014

AUTHORITY: Article V of the Governing Resolution empowers the Wichita Executive Committee to transact business and otherwise speak or act on behalf of the Tribe in all matters of business.

PURPOSE: The Children's Clothing Assistance Program is for the purpose of providing financial assistance for the purchasing of clothing for enrolled children of the Tribe.

FUNDING: The program will be administered with **$155,250** of the revenues received from the Wichita Tribe Industrial Development Commission which are revenues derived from the 51% ownership in Anadarko Industries.

BENEFITS: Financial assistance in the amount of **$150** shall be provided for each enrolled child age 17 and under as of September 30, 2014. The financial assistance must be used for shoes, shirts, pants and undergarments. Diapers for children ages 2 and under may be purchased but the purchase cannot exceed $50 for diapers. All payments for assistance shall be made payable to the parent/guardian.

ELIGIBILITY: Assistance shall be provided by the following criteria:

1. All tribal enrolled children 17 years of age and under as of September 30, 2014.
2. Those individuals, eligible for enrollment according to the Governing Resolution as of July 1, 2014, who have applied for enrollment by September 30, 2014, and submitted all required documents for enrollment by September 30, 2014. Upon acceptance for enrollment by the Wichita Executive Committee the Children's Clothing application signed prior to the 09/30/2014 will be processed.
3. Assistance will be determined by the individual's age on September 30, 2014, for FY-2014. All eligible children will receive $150 in assistance.
4. All payments will be in the name of the parent/guardian for all applicants.
5. All receipts for purchases shall be turned in to the Enrollment Office by March 31, 2015. The penalty for not turning in receipts for purchases shall be denial of one year of clothing assistance through this program.
6. Exchanges can be made however under no cir cumstances are refunds to be made except to the Tribe.

APPLICATION: An application must be filled out for eligible children, with specification as to name of child/children, and other required information as well as the name of the desired vendor. The application must be filled out by the parent/legal guardian.

DISBURSEMENTS: The Wichita Executive Committee shall be in charge of all disbursements and shall make provisions for maintenance of accounting records, receipts, etc. The Wichita Executive Committee shall determine the disbursement of such funds for such purposes as set forth under "Benefits" or for other situations not specified. It shall not be the intent that funds be paid to a tribal member on a continued or permanent basis in lieu of assistance for other resources or agencies.

Any portion of funds not expended at the end of the fiscal year may remain in the account where it has been deposited. Funds not expended will assist in funding the next fiscal year distribution of Children's Clothing.

NOTICE: Each tribal member in the age group 17 years of age and under will be notified of the program either by mail or through the tribal newsletter and will be sent to their last recorded address, together with instructions for utilizing the benefits of the program.

AMENDMENTS: The Wichita Executive Committee plans to continue this program on an annual basis utilizing the revenues the Tribe received from the 8(a) companies. The guidelines will be reviewed on an annual basis. In the event that the amounts set forth for the Children's Clothing Assistance Program, threaten to exhaust the funds set up for the assistance, the Wichita Executive Committee will make such adjustments, as deemed necessary, to the amount of payment the following year.

CHANGES: Changes to the guidelines set forth may be made by a majority vote of the Wichita Executive Committee of the Wichita and Affiliated Tribes.

Children's Clothing Applications Are Now Available!!!

Event Center and Dance Building Construction

Sugar Creek Casino-Event Center Construction 07/07/2014

Dance Building Construction 07/07/2014

Domestic Family Violence Help Available

Do you know someone in a Domestic Family Violence situation?

The Wichita and Affiliated Tribes of Oklahoma Domestic Family Violence (DFV) Program is available to all adult and youth victims of family violence, domestic violence, or dating violence. This Program is open to any victim of such violence, regardless of age, disability, sex, race, color, national origin, or religion.

No one should be involved in a domestic situation. It is a difficult situation and the adjustment following the incident is very difficult. The DFV program staff are prepared to address and assist with any services needed for making that adjustment. The following services are available:

- Assistance in locating emergency shelter
- Assistance with filing protective orders
- Crisis intervention
- Safety planning
- Emergency transportation
- Support groups
- Counseling (individual and/or family)
- Referrals for additional services depending on an individual's Needs

If you would like more information please, contact the program director, Kay Mopope at (405) 247-2425 ext. 130.

Wichita's Doing Great Things

Marcus Wayne Abrams

The family of Marcus Wayne Abrams would like to congratulate him on his nomination from Congressman George Holding and his acceptance to the U.S. Air Force Academy. Marcus graduated from Wakefield High School in Raleigh, NC. He is on a full scholarship to the academy to play lacrosse. He has been a member of the Wakefield varsity lacrosse team for 4 years. He has been first team all conference all 4 years and this year has been named offensive MVP of the league. He was selected to play in the North Carolina All Star Great 38 game. He made the All-State team for NC and was honorable mention for All-American.

Marcus is the son of Debbie (Jonathan) Abrams and Greg Abrams of Wake Forest, NC and the grandson of Mark Jonathan of Salamanca, NY and Carla Niastor of Wake Forest, NC. He is the great-grandson of the late Wayne & Barbara Abrams and the late Martha Reeder and Ray Niastor.

We all wish him the best of luck and are very proud of all his accomplishments!

Thank You,
Debbie Abrams

The Superchiefs recently competed in the Jim Thorpe games. Wichitas participating with the team included Jacob Stephenson (back row second from left), Jeremy Williams (front row second from left) and Keigan Stephenson (front row far right .)

Wichita's participating in the Jim Thorpe games and carrying the tribal flag. Pictured: Maleah Passi, Andrew Ahshapanek, Daniel Ahshapanek, Mariah Gonzales and President Terri Parton.

Wichita Little Sisters-Opening Ceremonies of the Jim Thorpe Games 2014

Sugar Creek Casino Job Postings

Foster Parents

FAMILY & CHILDREN SERVICES DEPARTMENT is looking for individuals who are interested in becoming certified as a Foster Care Provider for our Wichita children as well as other Native American children who have been removed from their homes and are either in State or Tribal custody. All Oklahoma Tribes are expressing a need for more foster homes for our children. If you have the time to spend with a child, can pass a background check, have room in your home, have a desire to help children in need and are able to provide a safe and loving environment then please contact our office at (405) 247-8620 and get the application process started.

You will always stand taller when you kneel to help a child.

Program Offered by IHS

Screening Mammography Self-Referral Now Available

The Lawton Service Unit now accepts self-referrals for screening mammography services. The annual screening mammogram is appropriate for normal, healthy women over 40 who are not having any breast symptoms. Patients should report to the Lawton Indian Hospital Radiology Department to schedule a screening mammogram. Where there's an open appointment time, they may be able to be screened immediately. Mammograms are also done at the Anadarko or Carnegie clinic when the mobile mammogram unit is on site, ask a nurse to schedule your appointment. You may also call to schedule an appointment. The number to call at Lawton is (580)354-5570, at Carnegie (580) 654-1100 or at Anadarko (405) 247-7900. Let them know you want to schedule a mammogram.

Address Updates

Please send address updates to:
Wichita and Affiliated Tribes
Attn: Enrollment
P.O. Box 729
Anadarko, OK 73005

MEETING NOTICE

Wichita and Affiliated Tribes

2014 Annual General Council Meeting

Saturday, July 19, 2014

10:00 a.m.

Location: Iscani Gym Located Behind Walmart

AGENDA

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Invocation**
3. **Minutes**
4. **Tribal Administrator Report**
5. **WTIDC Report**
   a.) Wichita Travel Plaza and Other Business
   b.) Wichita Industries-Jesse Jones, Chairman
   c.) Anadarko Industries
   d.) Wichita Tribal Enterprises
6. **Lunch**
7. **Wichita Housing Authority Report**
8. **Wichita Tax Commission Report**
9. **Wichita Tribe Sports Commission Report**
10. **Wichita Gaming Commission Report**
11. **Sugar Creek Casino Report**
12. **President's Report**
    a.) Hobbs, Straus, Dean & Walker
13. **Treasurer's Report**
    a.) Finley & Cook
    b.) FY-2014 Budget Report
    c.) FY-2015 Proposed Budget Information
14. **Other Business**
15. **Adjourn**

(Lunch will be served.)

Oral Histories Panel To Be Held July 12, 2014

The Wichita Cultural Education Program has scheduled an Oral Histories Panel discussion to be held at 1:00pm, July 12, 2014. The panel will convene at the Administration On Aging Building, Wichita Tribal Complex which is located one mile north of Anadarko on HWY. 281 and one half mile west on Wichita Lane. The Panel will consist of the Wichita elders who participated in the Oral Histories project which was conducted in 2010. The main topic to be discussed will be the Wichita kinship structure. Refreshments will be served. For more information you may contact Gary McAdams at (405) 247-2425, Ext. 169.

Education, School Supplies, Wichita/Pawnee Visitation

Education Programs

yolanda.walker@wichitatribe.com
louisa.riffel@wichitatribe.com
Tel. (405)247-8612
Fax (405)247-5687

College Reminder

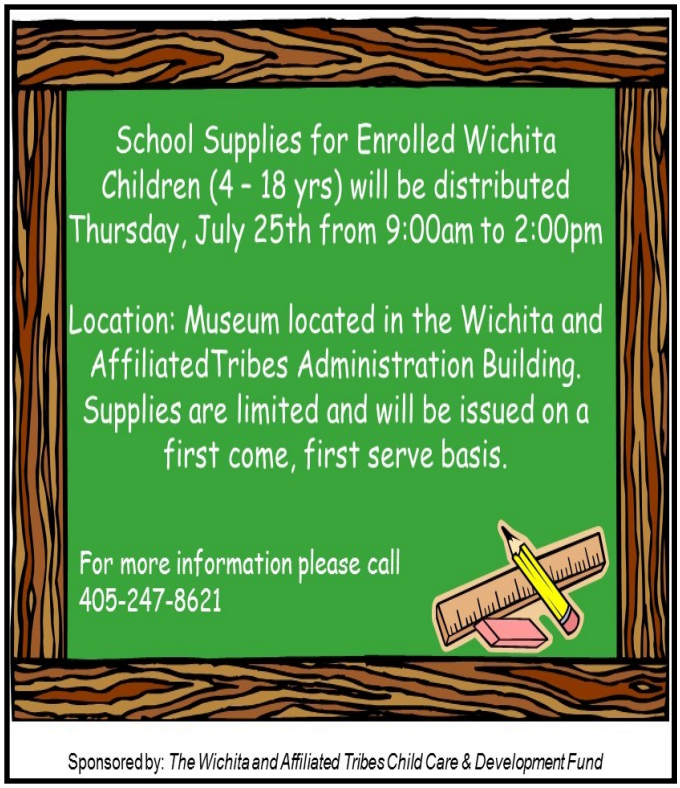
Applications for the fall 2014-spring 2015 semesters will be available April 1, 2014.
All students must re-apply each year.

****Grade Incentive Award****

This program is available to enrolled Wichita youth in the 6th-12th grades. Student cannot have a grade lower than a "C" on any subject. Grade incentive awards are given once at the end of the academic year. **Deadline: July 31, 2014**
Please submit the following:

- Application
- Copy of tribal enrollment card
- Copy of official report card *(Must include 1st and 2nd semester grades)*

Grade	GPA	Gift Card
6th-8th grade	2.0+	$25.00
9th-12th grade	2.5-2.99	$50.00
9th-12th grade	3.0-3.49	$75.00
9th-12th grade	3.5-4.0	$100.00



Kitikiti'sh Scholarship Announcement

The Wichita and Affiliated Tribes will be offering a new Kitikiti'sh Scholarship to two outstanding college students that are enrolled with the Wichita and Affiliated Tribes. The word Kitikiti'sh is the spelling for "Wichita" in the Wichita language. Criteria will be based on 1) Cumulative GPA (2) ACT Composite Score (3) Description of Future Plans (4) Description of Accomplishments, Leadership Roles, and Attributes (5) Financial Need. The Education Department mailed out the applications to high school graduating seniors that have applied for their graduation incentive and current college students in the Higher Education Program who have enrolled for the fall semester. The deadline to submit the application will be July 31, 2014.

Wichita Executive Committee Meetings and Compensation

Meetings:

- 17 Special Meetings-April 1-June 30, 2014
- 1 Regular Meeting-April 8, 2014-In accordance with Governing Resolution.

Compensation for Meetings for Elected Officials:

- Committee Members are compensated $300 per meeting. President is compensated $300 if meeting is after 5:00. Most meetings are after 5:00. Many Committee Members work outside of being Committee Members which is common with other tribes. Many meetings last 5 or more hours. As approved 09/26/2013 with FY-14 Budget.
- President's salary is $52,000.00. On average 55-60 hours per week. As approved 09/26/2013 with FY-14 Budget.

Back Row: Mike Bert, Wichita Tribal member and Anadarko Industries Summer Intern, Andrew Ahshapanek, Jessika Jones, Daniel Ahshapanek and Reno McLemore, Wichita Tribe summer interns, S. Robert White, Jr., Wichita tribal member and President of Wichita Tribal Enterprises, Inc. Front Row: Terri Parton, President of the Wichita and Affiliated Tribes and Tom Short, President of Anadarko Industries. Picture taken at Anadarko Industries offices in Houston, Texas.

39th Annual Wichita Tribal Dance

August 14, 15, 16, 17, 2014

Wichita Tribal Park

Head Staff

MC.....Cy Ahtone & Eddie Mahseet

Traditional Drum.....Grasslodge

Head Singer.....Jason Lightfoot

Head Man Dancer.....Frank Swift

Head Lady Dancer.....Sydney Prince

2013 - 2014 Wichita Tribal Princess

Color Guard.....Southwest Vietnam Veterans

Arena Directors.....Tony Galindo & Freddy Banderas

Thursday:

8:00 am - Flag Raising (All Wichita Veterans)

4:00-10:00 pm-Wichita Tribal Princess Election

6:00 pm - Supper

7:00 pm - Wichita Dancing (All Categories Combined)

Coronation of the 2014 Wichita Little Sisters Princess

Thursday night contest for Wichita Tribal Members or Wichita Tribe Descendants ONLY)

Friday:

8:00 am - Flag Raising—George Ahboah

6:00 pm - Registration Opens

7:00 pm - Registration Closes

Grand Entry

Contest: Tiny Tots (0 - 5 years)

Junior Categories (6 - 12 years)

Saturday:

7:00 am - Registration for Spirit Walk

8:00 am - Flag Raising—George Ahboah

8:30 am - Spirit Walk to Fight Diabetes

9:00 am– Registration for Basketball Tournament & Horseshoes

2:00 pm - Gourd Dancing

5:30 pm - Supper Break

6:00 pm - Registration Opens

7:00 pm - Registration Closes

Grand Entry

Contest: Teen Boys & Girls (13 - 19 years)

Switch Dance

Special Straight Dance Contest in Honor of Stratford Williams ($1,000 Winner Take All)

Sunday:

8:00 am - Flag Raising—George Ahboah

2:00 pm - Gourd Dancing

5:30 pm - Supper Break

7:00 pm - Grand Entry

Contest: Senior Men & Women (20 and up)

Golden Age Men & Women (55 and up)

Not responsible for accidents or stolen items.

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Basketball Tournament

Saturday, August 16, 2014

Wichita Tribal Complex

Registration: 9:00 am to 9:30 am

Games begin at 10:00 am

Boys & Girls Teams of Four (4)

Ages: (7-9) (10-12) (13-15) (16-18)

Teams MUST consist of at least 2 Native Americans

Entry Deadline: July 31, 2014

CDIB will be required

For more information or to pick up a Basketball form contact:

Cynthia Billy at 405/247-2425, ext. 166

Horseshoe Tournament

Saturday, August 16, 2014

Wichita Tribal Complex

Registration: 9:00 am to 9:30 am

Games begin at 10:00 am

Adults 18 and Older / Teams of Two (2)

Teams MUST consist of at least (1) Native American

Entry Deadline: July 31, 2014

CDIB will be required

For more information or to pick up a Horseshoe Tournament form contact:

Shirley (Kay) Mopope at 405/247-2425, ext. 130

Vacancy Announcements

Wichita Tribe Sports Commission Inspectors

The Wichita Tribe Sports Commission has immediate openings for both male and female inspectors for the boxing and MMA events at Sugar Creek Casino in Hinton, OK. Duties include monitoring fighters and seconds, both prefight and during the event to ensure the safety of the fighters and ensure strict adherence to the rules and regulations set forth by the commission. No experience is necessary. All inspectors will obtain training and certification by the commission. Applicants must be available on Fridays and Saturdays to be considered. Applicants must be willing to submit to a background investigation and drug test. Interested parties may obtain an application at the Administration Building at the Wichita Tribe Complex located 1 1/4 miles North of Anadarko on Hwy 281. Indian Preference applies. Closing date is July 31, 2014 at 5:00 p.m. however the Commission will continue to take applications for future events. If you have any questions, please call Commissioner Matt Roberson at 405-623-4191. Tribal Members are encouraged to apply.

WCDC JOB BANK APPLICATIONS

Wichita Child Development Center (WCDC) will be collecting applications for the center's job bank for on-call/substitute/ future positions:

- Teachers with Bachelors in Early Childhood
- Teachers with Associates in Early Childhood
- Teachers with CDA/CCP (or be willing to obtain within 18 months of hire)
- Teacher Assistants, willing to obtain required training/ certifications
- Cook with food handler's permit (or be willing to obtain within 1 month)

All positions must possess a valid Oklahoma Driver's License and have adequate transportation. These positions require a successful background check and drug screening. Salary is contingent upon education and experience. Application acceptance is on-going.

Please submit application, cover letter and resume to:

Wichita and Affiliated Tribes
ATTN: HUMAN RESOURCES
P.O. Box 729
Anadarko, Oklahoma 73005
Phone 405/247-2425 ~ Fax 405/247-2430

Sugar Creek Casino Casino Job Postings

Facility Manager
Players Club Representative
Part Time Beverage Server
Housekeeping
Blackjack Dealer
Dishwasher
F&B Cashier
Maintenance/Shuttle

Sugar Creek Casino is now accepting applications for the above position(s).

All applications must be submitted to the Sugar Creek Casino's Human Resources Department by fax 405-542-2949, mail Sugar Creek Casino 5304 N. Broadway, Hinton, OK 73047 or Sugar Creek Casino Website @ http://www.sugarcreekcasino.net Wichita and Affiliated Tribal Member & Indian Preference Considered.

(These Positions are subject to being filled internally.)

WCDC Maintenance/Landscaping Bid Request

The WCDC is accepting proposals for maintenance and landscaping at the Wichita Child Development Center located at 101 E. Coronado Circle in Anadarko, Oklahoma.

Duties include: Daily Maintenance that consists of sweeping sidewalks, removing all debris, checking grounds, flower bed maintenance and general maintenance and repairs.

Weekly Maintenance that consists of washing windows, washing fence, cleaning trash cans, organizing storage areas and cleaning WCDC vehicles.

Lawn mowing will be done on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Weed eating on Tuesday and Thursday. Trimming shrubs, bushes and trees as needed. Must also be familiar with underground sprinkler systems. Other maintenance issues to be addressed as needed. The applicant must provide their own lawn mower, weed eater and gas.

Please submit bids and questions to the attention of:
Kathy Hopen, CCDF Director
Wichita and Affiliated Tribes
P.O. Box 729
Anadarko, OK 73005

Wichita Princess Candidates

Shayden Paige Courtney

Hello, my name is Shayden Paige Courtney. I am 16 years old and attend Anadarko High School. I will be in the 10th grade this year. I would like to represent the Wichita and Affiliated Tribes as their Princess. I love dancing and learning about my culture. I am a descendant of the Wichitas, but I am Caddo and Wichita. I was raised learning the Wichita culture and only wearing Wichita regalia.

My paternal side is Shad and Christy Courtney; Grandparents are Alfred and Charlene Harris, Great Grandparents are Grace Fields and the late Charles Venturella. Great -Great Grandparents were the late Isaac and Flora (Campbell) Gabbard. My maternal side is Marvin and Jamie Jones, Grandparents are David Harvey and the late Yvonne (Butler) Harvey.

When I was 8 weeks old my Grandmother entered me in the Indian Exposition in the Beautiful Baby Contest. Wearing full Wichita regalia in which I won 1st place. I would be honored to continue to carry on this tradition that was instilled in me at birth.

Wichita Tribal Princess Election
Thursday, August 14, 2014
4:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

The Wichita Tribal Princess Election will be held on Thursday, August 14, 2014 from 4:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. during Wichita Night of the Wichita Annual Dance. Enrolled tribal members 18 and over must have a valid federal, state or tribal ID to vote.

Hello, my name is Joli Angel Herrera. I am 15 years old. I am a sophomore at U.S. Grant High School. I am an enrolled member of the Wichita and Affiliated Tribes. My parents are Hope and Cresenciano Herrera. My grandparents are Marilyn and Benjamin Tiger. My great-grandparents are Loraine Motah Burgess and Gillis Llewallyn Miller Sr. My great grandfather was full blooded Wichita and once held the sacred tobacco for our people. Great great grandparents on my Wichita side are Belle Caley and Houston Miller. I recently received my family tree from my mother so I know my Wichita lineage going back 6 generations. I hope you enjoy my essay and get to know me a little more.

There are many reasons why I want to be Wichita Princess; to represent the Tribe, to make my family proud, also to be a role model to the young girls. It would be an honor to be Wichita princess and an honor for my family as well. I may seem busy at times but I will speak and represent the tribe when I am needed. I am currently the Miss Resonative Youth Dance Troupe princess for the Native American Student Services dance troupe so I know the protocol and expectations of this responsibility. It would be so amazing to have the experience being Wichita Princess for 2014-2015.

Ever since I was little, I've wanted to be Wichita Princess and follow in my Nana's and Aunt's footsteps. I also love going to powwows and having that good feeling when my mom is proud that her daughter is dancing and keeping the tradition of my Wichita people and ancestors alive. Being Wichita Princess would also make my whole family proud. I know there are many expectations to being Wichita Princess.

Thank you for your consideration of me for Wichita Princess. Suh-theets!

Joli's submission was condensed because of space. The full submission will be in the August Newsletter.

Referendum Election Major issues

Blood Quantum:

Why 1/32 instead of 1/16 or descendancy? We looked at 1/16 and that was a suggestion by many who were in support of it according to the Input & Feedback Forms received from last year but it still left a need for blood consolidation wording in the Governing Resolution. 1/32 will still allow all of those enrolled under the blood consolidation to remain enrolled. Their blood reflects their true Wichita blood and the blood consolidation was only done for the purposes of computing eligibility. We also looked at descendancy but thought that may be too broad for now and would be something to consider later on in the future.

Why vote on the blood quantum now? In order for us to plan, we need to know what the future holds as far as our membership. The blood quantum issue keeps coming up and so it needs to be addressed so that we can better plan for our programs. ***Will it pass?*** We don't know if it will pass or not. This is the tribal memberships chance to make a huge decision and history for our tribe whether it passes or not. We will either expand our membership and allow those who are Wichita to officially enroll in the Tribe as long as they possess 1/32 Wichita blood or the membership will vote to wait. More than likely if it affects your family you will vote in favor of it and if it doesn't then you will vote against it. One thing to consider before you vote is to look at your family. If your children, nieces or nephews are going to be parents in the next 10 years and their children will be ineligible for enrollment then you may want to consider that before casting your vote. The last amendment to the blood quantum was May 21, 1977 when it was lowered to 1/8 and the blood consolidation was implemented. That was 37 years ago. Prior to that the blood quantum was implemented at 1/4 on June 24, 1972. Regardless of how you vote this will be a huge election and you, as a tribal member, should plan to participate.

Meetings

Why limit it to receiving reports and receiving input from tribal membership? There have been requests for Quarterly Meetings. Over the last few years prior to this administration, motions have been made and recognized for things that our entire membership should have had the opportunity to be able to have a voice in rather than a handful of people. People make quick decisions without any input when motions are put on the floor. The discussion meetings serve a purpose because they allow people to ask questions and then think about and research the information before having to vote on something that they may need more information on. If it is a Council decision, then the entire Council should have the opportunity to have a voice and that includes those that can not physically make it to the meetings. You have to come and vote this one time so that you can participate in future referendum elections by absentee ballot.

Absentee Voting

There will be a Referendum Election to amend the Governing Resolution to allow for Absentee Voting. Election notices were mailed out to tribal member 18 and over. Efforts have been made to notify those with bad addresses. Please make sure you contact your relatives about the vote taking place and encourage them to update their addresses with the enrollment office. If this passes, the Committee will need time to get an Election Board and Procedures in place.

Qualifications of Officers

This amendment corrects the name of the Tribe and addresses conflict of interest for those working at the Tribe and serving as Elected Officials. There has been a lot of controversy over this in the past. Right now there is no prohibition by our Governing Resolution, which was passed by the General Council, for someone who works at the Tribe to also be an Elected Official. In the past several years, those elected into office were working at the Tribe and people who voted for them knew they were working there. Even if people felt there was a conflict there was nothing that prohibited anyone from doing so. If you want to make a change then it needs to be done in the Governing Resolution rather than trying to change it in policies and procedures for employees which was attempted.

Quorum

Our membership has increased since the original 15 member requirement was approved on May 8, 1961. We didn't want the number too high where a meeting can never be held but felt it should at least double.

Amendments for 20 Members to 5%

There has been a 20 Member requirement to petition for Special Meetings, petition to remove officers, petition to make amendments to the Governing Resolution and petition to inspect records of the Secretary that have been in place since May 8, 1961. I don't know what our membership was during that time, but the 20 member requirement has not increased as our membership has increased. We chose a modest 5% instead of just a flat number. The 5% will allow the number to petition to increase as the membership increases. How does that help the Tribe? Over the last several years and really throughout our Tribes history there have been petitions filed over and over that threatens the stability of the Tribe. Legitimate investors and businesses do not work with an unstable Tribe. If we want to maintain stability then we need to increase that number. Does that mean that if it is changed that our membership can't petition to call a meeting, petition to recall an elected official, etc.? No. It just means that a bigger representation of our Council must be included when petitioning.

Election Procedures for July 19, 2014 Election

ELECTION PROCEDURES (as amended)
WICHITA AND AFFILIATED TRIBES

SECTION 1-APPLICABILITY OF PROCEDURES:
These election procedures are applicable to all elections conducted by the Wichita and Affiliated Tribes (Wichita, Keechi, Waco, and Tawakonie) pursuant to Articles VII, and XI of the Wichita Governing Resolution. In case of disputes as to compliance with these procedures, substantial rather than complete compliance shall be deemed adequate. Copies of these procedures shall be distributed to any eligible voter requesting them.

SECTION 2-ELECTION NOTICES:
An election notice shall be mailed no less than 10 days before such election to all eligible voters with identifiable addresses. The notice shall contain a list of all candidates, the positions they're running for and information regarding the time and place of the election. In elections called pursuant to Article XI-Amendments, the notice and proposed amendments shall be mailed to Tribal members not less than 30 days before such election.

SECTION 3-FILING NOTICE:
Candidates must file their notice of candidacy with the Secretary of the Wichita Executive Committee 30 days prior to the date of any regular or special election. There will be a filing fee of $125.00 for candidates filing for the office of President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer and a $100.00 filing fee for those candidates filing for the office of Committee Member. These filing periods will apply to any filing period after July 12, 2004, the date of this amendment.***

SECTION 4-OPENING AND CLOSING OF THE POLLS:
The polls will open at 9:00 a.m. and remain open for 8 hours. The polls will close at 5:00 p.m. All eligible tribal voters shall register with the polling place officials in order to verify their membership and right to vote.

SECTION 5-POLLING PLACE:
The polling place shall be in the Conference Room of the Wichita Tribal Administration Building located north of Anadarko, Oklahoma. There shall be no loitering in or around the lobby area of the polling place while the polls are open ** or during the counting of the ballots.****

SECTION 6-POLLING PLACE OFFICIALS:
The officials who shall conduct the election shall be selected by the Wichita Executive Committee. The Executive Committee shall select ~~three* two**~~ three individuals and one alternate to assist with the balloting and three individuals and one alternate to count the ballots.

A. It shall be the duty of the polling place workers who assist with balloting:
1. To count the blank ballots prior to the opening of the polls and to verify that the total of the number of ballots voted, plus the number of spoiled ballots, and the number of unused ballots equals the number of blank ballots available at the beginning of the balloting.
2. To see that the names of each person offering to vote is entitled to be on the official voters list of the Wichita and Affiliated Tribes.
3. To require that each member who votes to present a valid federal, state or Tribal photo identification (ID).*****
4. To deny to vote, any member who is intoxicated.******
5. To require that each member who votes signs his name beside the listing of his name on the official voters list.

Or

To require that each member who votes signs his name on the sheet provided and to assure that the listing of each member who votes is marked clearly on the official voters list with the word "voted". (Any voter who signs with an ""X" or a thumbprint shall have that mark initialed by two polling place officials.)

6. To issue one ballot ~~for each position, amendment or issue~~* to each eligible voter. (Should any voter spoil or mutilate his ballot(s) in his effort to vote, he/she shall fold it in such a manner that the polling officials cannot see how he had voted, and return with it to the table where ballots are being issued. Such voter shall then, in the presence of the polling officials, destroy the ballot. The polling officials shall make a record of such destruction and shall provide such voter with another ballot(s).
7. To see that the ballot is marked and deposited in the locked ballot box by the voter himself.
8. To assure that the ballot box remains locked at all times.
9. To assure that no person is allowed to electioneer within ~~20*~~ 50 feet of polling place.
10. To insure that there is no loitering in or around the lobby area of the polling place while the polls are open (9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.).**

B. It shall be the duty of the polling place worker who assists with the counting of ballots:
1. To count the ballots immediately after the closing of the polls.
2. To certify the election results.
3. To package the ballots, together with the unused ballots, the signed voter list and other records of the election and see that it is securely stored at the Anadarko Agency, Bureau of Indian Affairs for a period of thirty (30) days.

SECTION 7-ASSISTANCE FOR INFIRM VOTERS:
When any voter presents himself for a ballot and states that he/she because of physical disability or infirmity is unable to mark his ballot, one of the polling place officials shall cause such voter to be sworn after the following:
"Do you solemnly swear (or affirm) that you are unable to mark and prepare your ballot for voting because of physical disability or infirmity?"
Should voter so qualify himself, it shall be the duty of two polling place officials to give the voter such assistance as he needs, but in all such instances the voter must without suggestions from such officials state the way he/she wishes to vote and in no instance shall an election official volunteer any suggestions to such voter as to how he should vote. Such assistance shall be given at the ballot box, and all voters, other than the election officers, shall be kept sufficiently distant so that they will not hear or know how such disabled voter voted. No ballots will be taken from the polling place for voting.

SECTION 8-ABSENTEE VOTING:
All persons desiring to vote in this election shall present themselves at the polling place during the hours of voting. No absentee voting will be permitted.

SECTION 9-COUNTING OF BALLOTS:
Immediately following the closing of the polls, the polling place officials who have assisted with the balloting shall deliver the locked ballot box to the three officials who are to count the ballots. The place designated for counting shall be the conference room of the Tribal Administration Building. Each of the candidates will be allowed to have a representative to serve as observer for the counting of ballots. Each candidate will provide written verification of their selected representative to the Secretary of the Executive Committee prior to the counting of the ballots. These representatives, the invited representatives of the Superintendent of the Anadarko Agency and the three counters and the alternate******* shall be the only persons present during the counting of the ballots.
The ballot box shall be opened in the presence of the above named persons (provided however, that if any of representatives are not present when the polls close the counting may begin without them). One counter shall lift the ballot from the ballot box, identify which position, amendment or issue it concerns and read the vote on that particular ballot. The other two counters shall tally the votes on tally sheets as they are being read. The counting shall proceed in this manner until all three counters agree on the number of votes received for each amendment or issue.
So long as the three counters agree that the clear intent of the voter can be discerned on the ballot, it shall be counted. If the mismarking is such that the counters cannot agree on the clear intent, the vote for that ballot shall not be counted. Whenever a ballot or any portion thereof is not counted, this fact shall be clearly marked on the face of the ballot with the reason indicated. This statement shall be initialed by the counters.

SECTION 10-CERTIFICATION AND ANNOUNCMENT OF ELECTION RESULTS:
Following the completion of the counting, the counters shall sign the tally sheets indicating their certification of the count and shall then make publicly known the results of the election and shall post these results on the door of the Wichita Tribal Office.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing Election Procedures were approved by the Executive Committee of the Wichita and Affiliated Tribes on September 9, 1992, with a vote of 4 for 0 against, with 0 abstentions. On July 10, 2000, the Executive Committee Amended Section 6, Section 6 A4, and Section 6 A7 by a vote of 4-0-0. On June 14, 2004, the Executive Committee amended Section 5, Section 6, and added Section 6 A8 by a vote of 5-0-0. On July 12, 2004, the Executive Committee amended Section 3 by a vote of 4-0-0. On July 30, 2004, the Executive Committee amended Section 5 by a vote of 5-0-0. On June 04, 2012, the Executive Committee added Section 6 A3 by a vote of 4-0-0 and Section 6 A4 by a vote of 3-0-0. On June 27, 2013, the Executive Committee amended Section 9 by a vote of 4-0-0.

Signed: Myles Stephenson, Secretary Signed: Terri Parton, President

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****Amended on July 30, 2004
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