



DELAWARE TRIBE OF INDIANS

Culture Preservation Committee

FCS Conference Room

5110 Tuxedo Blvd. Bartlesville, OK 74006

April, 1st, 2025 5:30 pm

I. Call to Order

1. Prayer
2. Roll Call
3. Welcome Guests/ Guest Comments

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4. Approve the Agenda

II. Approval of March 2025 Minutes

III. Treasurer's Report

March 2025 Financials

IV. Old Business

1. Wampum Bracelet Class
2. Reinterment Trip April 23rd-28th

V. New Business

1. Ratify Poll Votes 3/12/2025
2. Ratify Poll vote 3/21/2025
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4. Upcoming classes
5. Visiting Nancy Sumpter
6. Onion Dig

VI. Motions and notices

VII. Set the time, date and location of the next meeting.

VIII. Adjournment

Alicia Rezendes, Secretary

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## **Minutes of the Culture Preservation Committee Meeting**

February 4th, 2025

Present: Tristen Tucker, Martina Thomas, Alicia Rezendes and Levi Randall. Jim Rementer, Sarah Boyd and Gretchen Williams were absent.

The meeting was called to order at 5:52 p.m. by Levi Randall.

A prayer was given by Tristen . Roll call was taken.

#1.) Martina made a motion to excuse Jim.

It was seconded by Levi.

#2.) Levi made a motion to excuse Gretchen.

It was seconded by Tristen.

#3.) Levi made a motion to excuse Sarah.

It was seconded by Martina.

Next we reviewed the agenda.

#4.) Levi made a motion to approve the agenda.

It was seconded by Martina.

Next we reviewed last month's meeting minutes.

#5.) Levi made a motion to approve January meeting minutes, pending amendments.

It was seconded by Martina.

#6.) Levi made a motion to amend motion #5 in the January minutes, to say "To give Jeremy Johnson a \$250 honorarium", for a 1 hour talk, on contact/displacement for the history class. It was seconded by Martina. Tristen abstained.

Next we discussed the Pahsahikan class. Levi said that he would order all of the supplies needed for the class.

We then discussed the week long brain tan class in March, 15th-19th, with 10 spots available. Then we discussed the various tools and supplies that would be required for brain tanning.

Next we discussed how much to spend per class.

#7.) Martina made a motion to spend up to \$500 on supplies for the brain tan class. (paid by line item #62351)

It was seconded by Levi.

#8.) Tristen made a motion to spend up to \$500 for tools for the brain tan class. (paid by line item #62351)

It was seconded by Martina.

#9.) Martina made a motion to spend up to \$500 on food for the brain tan class. (paid by line item #62351)

It was seconded by Levi.

Next we discussed the Wampum Belt Community Gathering, on Sunday April 13th. We again spoke of feeding buffalo corn soup and skillet bread.

It was then brought up that during last year's Messenger Race, we were one wampum strand short for the runners, and to give Tristen's wampum to the runner. We agreed as a committee that Tristen should have still received a wampum strand.

#10.) Levi made a motion to spend up to \$200 on wampum, for the 2024 Messenger Race winner. It was seconded by Alicia. Tristen abstained. (paid by line item #62351)

We then discussed what class we would hold for the month of April. Alicia suggested having another wampum bracelet class, to fall in line with the wampum belt gathering we are hosting. We decided the class would be on Friday, April 11th at 6pm in the FCS building and that we as a committee, would cook chili and cornbread.

#11.) Levi made a motion to spend up to \$500 on wampum, for the Wampum bracelet class. It was seconded by Tristen. (paid by line item #62351)

#12.) Levi made a motion to spend up to \$500 on wampum, for the Wampum Bracelet class. It was seconded by Martina. (paid by line item #62351)

#13.) Levi made a motion to spend up to \$200, on supplies for the Wampum Bracelet Class. (paid by line item #62351)

It was seconded by Martina.

#14.) Martina made a motion to pay Alicia Rezendes \$50, to make the flyer for the Wampum bracelet class. (paid by line item #55001)

It was seconded by Levi. Alicia abstained.

#15.) Martina made a motion to pay Alicia Rezendes \$50, for the Wampum Community Gathering Flyer. (paid by line item #55001)

It was seconded by Levi. Alicia abstained.

#16.) Martina made a motion to spend up to \$200, for food and drinks for the Wampum Bracelet Class. (paid by line item #62351)

It was seconded by Levi.

Next we discussed the drum group, previously brought up by Tristen at the last meeting. He shared that he had reached out to a few people, but that interest in involvement was lacking. We talked about various people who could potentially help in starting a local drum group up and encouraged Tristen to reach out. Levi offered to help as well.

We then moved on to new business. Levi wanted to discuss the importance of committee programming safety, in light of the information given at the last Tribal Council meeting, of threats of gun violence and death, from council member Bonnie Jo Griffith. Our committee agreed that we do not feel safe, nor condone the participation of any tribal member who makes such threats.

#17.) Levi made a motion to ban Bonnie Jo Griffith, from all activities, classes and events, hosted by the Cultural Preservation Committee, for 1 year, effective February 5th, 2025.

It was seconded by Alicia.

Next we discussed the Kansas Delawares. Martina shared that she would like to go on record, that she believes the KS Delawares should be allowed to participate with us in our classes and programs.

She said that she will be reaching out to the Chief, to discuss the past resolution made that states that we are not to participate with them, for clarification. Alicia was in agreement with Martina.

We then discussed adding a new member due to Sarah leaving and who would be good candidates for the position.

Next, Alicia shared that Jim had completed the 2025 Delaware calendar that has been posted on the tribal website and is available for download, as well as the Lenape Word a Day calendar for February, which is posted and available for download on the website.

Tristen then mentioned the avian conservation presentation happening in February and asking for committee support in participation.

#18.) Levi made a motion to adjourn at 8:22 pm.

It was seconded by Martina

Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 4th @ 5:30 in the FCS building.

## **MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS**

February 4th 2025

Motion Number 1

Motion made by: Martina

Seconded by: Levi

Motion: To excuse Jim due to illness.

Motion passed: Yes 4                      No 0                      Abstain 0

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Motion Number 2

Motion made by: Levi

Seconded by: Tristen

Motion: To excuse Gretchen.

Motion passed: Yes 4                      No 0                      Abstain 0

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Motion Number 3

Motion made by: Levi

Seconded by: Martina

Motion: To excuse Sarah.

Motion passed: Yes 4                      No 0                      Abstain 0

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Motion Number 4

Motion made by: Levi

Seconded by: Martina

Motion: To approve agenda.

Motion passed: Yes 4                      No 0                      Abstain 0

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Motion Number 5

Motion made by: Levi

Seconded by: Martina

Motion: To approve January meeting minutes, pending amendments.

Motion passed: Yes 4      No 0      Abstain 0

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Motion Number 6

Motion made by: Levi

Seconded by: Martina

Motion: To amend motion #5 in the January minutes, to say “To give Jeremy Johnson a \$250 honorarium”, for a 1 hour talk, on contact/displacement for the history class.

Motion passed: Yes 3      No 0      Abstain 1

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Motion Number 7

Motion made by: Martina

Seconded by: Levi

Motion: To spend up to \$500 on supplies for the brain tan class. (paid by line item #62351)

Motion passed: Yes 4      No 0      Abstain 0

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Motion Number 8

Motion made by: Tristen

Seconded by: Martina

Motion: To spend up to \$500 for tools for the brain tan class. (paid by line item #62351)

Motion passed: Yes 4                  No 0                  Abstain 0

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Motion Number 9

Motion made by: Martina

Seconded by: Levi

Motion: To spend up to \$500 on food, for the brain tan class. (paid by line item #62351)

Motion passed: Yes 4                  No 0                  Abstain 0

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Motion Number 10

Motion made by: Levi

Seconded by: Alicia

Motion: To spend up to \$200 on wampum, for the 2024 Messenger Race winner. (paid by line item #62351)

Motion passed: Yes 3      No 0      Abstain 1

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Motion Number 11

Motion made by: Levi

Seconded by: Tristen

Motion: To spend up to \$500 on wampum, for the Wampum bracelet class. (paid by line item #62351)

Motion passed: Yes 4      No 0      Abstain 0

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Motion Number 12

Motion made by: Levi

Seconded by: Martina

Motion: To spend up to \$500 on wampum, for the Wampum Bracelet class. (paid by line item #62351)

Motion passed: Yes 4      No 0      Abstain 0

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Motion Number 13

Motion made by: Levi

Seconded by: Martina

Motion:To spend up to \$200 on supplies for the Wampum Bracelet Class.(paid by line item #62351)

Motion passed: Yes 4            No 0            Abstain 0

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Motion Number 14

Motion made by: Martina

Seconded by: Levi

Motion: pay Alicia Rezendes \$50, to make the flyer for the wampum bracelet class. (paid by line item #55001)

Motion passed: Yes 3            No 0            Abstain 1

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Motion Number 15

Motion made by: Levi

Seconded by: Tristen

Motion:To pay Alicia Rezendes \$50, for the Wampum Community Gathering Flyer. (paid by line item #55001)

Motion passed: Yes 3            No 0            Abstain 1

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Motion Number 16

Motion made by: Levi

Seconded by: Martina

Motion: To spend up to \$200, for food and drinks for the Wampum Bracelet Class. (paid by line item #62351)

Motion passed: Yes 4                  No 0                  Abstain 0

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Motion Number 17

Motion made by: Levi

Seconded by: Alicia

Motion: To ban Bonnie Jo Griffith, from all activities, classes and events, hosted by the Cultural Preservation Committee, for 1 year, effective February 5th, 2025.

Motion passed: Yes 4                  No 0                  Abstain 0

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Motion Number 18

Motion made by: Levi

Seconded by: Martina

Motion: To adjourn meeting.

Motion passed: Yes 4                  No 0                  Abstain 0

