



# MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATIONAL COUNCIL

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Speaker: *Randall Hicks*

Second Speaker: *Darrell Proctor*

## MINUTES

### PLANNING SESSION

Muscogee (Creek) National Council  
Council Chambers – Mound Building – Capitol Complex  
August 24, 2021

Time Meeting Convened: 6:30 p.m.

Call to Order: Speaker Randall Hicks

Invocation: Representative James Jennings

Roll Call: Legislative Research Specialist Alicia Stroble

Roll call was taken with the following being recorded: **15** present, **0** absent at the time of roll call.

#### CREEK DISTRICT

Patrick Freeman Jr ..... Present

Joseph Hicks ..... Present

#### OKFUSKEE DISTRICT

Randall Hicks ..... Present

Travis Scott ..... Present

#### TULSA DISTRICT

Robert Hufft ..... Present

Lucian Tiger III ..... Present

#### MCINTOSH DISTRICT

Darrell Proctor ..... Present

Adam Jones III ..... Present

#### OKMULGEE DISTRICT

James Jennings ..... Present

William Lowe ..... Present

#### WAGONER DISTRICT

Charles McHenry ..... Present

Mark Randolph ..... Present

#### MUSCOGEE DISTRICT

Mary Crawford ..... Present

Joyce C. Deere ..... Present

#### TUKVPTCE DISTRICT

Anna Marshall ..... Present

Thomasene Yahola Osborn .. Present

A quorum was established; therefore, all business transacted will be valid.

### SPEAKER'S REPORT:

August 1 Attended the Reservation Dogs premier at River Spirit Casino. Also in attendance were Representatives James Jennings, Joe Hicks, Adam Jones III, Thomasene Yahola Osborn, Mary Crawford, Joyce Deere, William Lowe, Anna Marshall and Mark Randolph.

August 5 Attended the National Council Work Session

August 6 Attended the National Council Court Hearing. Also in attendance were Representatives Patrick Freeman Jr. and Adam Jones III

Attended the Swing for Education Scholarship Gold Tournament. Also in attendance were Representatives James Jennings and William Lowe.

Attended the Employment and Training Banquet at River Spirit Casino. Also in attendance were Representatives William Lowe, James Jennings, Joseph Hicks, Thomasene Yahola Osborn, Joyce Deere, Anna Marshall and Mary Crawford

August 10 Attended the Land, Natural Resources & Cultural Preservation Committee Meeting.

- August 11 Attended the Looped Square Bridge ceremony. Also in attendance was Representative James Jennings.  
Attended the Health, Education & Welfare Committee Meeting.
- August 12 Attended the Emergency Session and Impeachment Session.
- August 13 Attended the Hickory Ground Ceremonial Ribbon Dance.  
Attended Special Impeachment Committee/Special Prosecutor Meeting
- August 16 Attended the Oklahoma Indian Gaming Association Golf Tournament held in Oklahoma City.
- August 17 Attended the Emergency Session
- August 20 Attended a meeting with the Executive Branch regarding Ocmulgee Indian Celebration in Georgia.
- August 23 Attended a Zoom meeting for the National Court Hearing.  
Attended the Business, Finance & Justice Committee Meeting.
- August 24 Attended the Health, Education & Welfare Committee Meeting and the Land, Natural Resources & Cultural Preservation Committee Meeting.

**SECOND SPEAKER REPORT:**

- August 5 Attended the National Council Work Session by Zoom.
- August 10 Attended the Land, Natural Resources & Cultural Preservation Committee Meeting.
- August 11 Attended the Health, Education & Welfare Committee Meeting.
- August 12 Attended the Emergency Session and Impeachment Session.
- August 17 Attended the Emergency Session
- August 23 Attended the Business, Finance & Justice Committee Meeting by Zoom.
- August 24 Attended the Health, Education & Welfare Committee Meeting and the Land, Natural Resources & Cultural Preservation Committee Meeting.

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**EX-OFFICIO REPORTS:**

**Gaming Operations Authority Board**

Representative Patrick Freeman Jr. reported that financials were forwarded to National Council. GOAB met on August 4, 2021 and the Board adopted a resolution approving five-year extension for Ruth Chris Steak House. The Board also authorized distribution allowances for Eufaula Casino and the insurance reserve. And approved the employee vaccine incentive. GOAB also met on August 18, 2021 and adopted a resolution requesting National Council to authorize the GOAB to create an insurance reserve fund out of gaming funds. The Board also approved a budget for the Muscogee (Creek) Nation Casinos Annual Team Dinner and adopted a resolution for a Master Equipment Lease Agreement with VGT.

**Muscogee Nation Business Enterprise**

Representative Patrick Freeman Jr. reported that Board met and discussed their strategic planning and business development.

**College of the Muscogee Nation Board of Regents**

Representative James Jennings reported the Board met August 9, 2021. The Natural Resource/Cultural Arts building is completed. The preliminary designs are still being worked on by the architect for the Exhibit/Lecture Hall. The fall enrollment is one hundred sixty (160) students enrolled and dorms are at full capacity.

**Mvskoke Loan Fund Board**

Representative Adam Jones III reported the Board met on August 17, 2021 and he will email report to the National Council. Mvskoke Loan Fund will be moving to the old Tax Commission office space.

**OneFire Holding Company, LLC Board**

Representative Robert Hufft reported the Board met August 18, 2021 and he emailed the report to National Council.

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**COMMITTEE ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REPORTS**

**Health, Education & Welfare – Chairman Lucian Tiger III**

Chairman Lucian Tiger III announced the committee met and reported the following items with DO PASS:

**TR 21-112** A TRIBAL RESOLUTION OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING THE PRINCIPAL CHIEF TO EXECUTE A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN NEW MEXICO HIGHLANDS UNIVERSITY AND THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION

**TR 21-113** A TRIBAL RESOLUTION OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING THE PRINCIPAL CHIEF TO EXECUTE A CERTAIN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND CHANGE HEALTHCARE, LLC

**NCA 21-072** A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES ADMINISTRATION FOR COMMUNITY LIVING AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN FOR OAA TITLE VI PART C NATIVE AMERICAN CAREGIVERS FUNDS FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION FOOD SERVICES PROGRAM

**NCA 21-073** A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES ADMINISTRATION FOR COMMUNITY LIVING AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN FOR OAA TITLE VI PART A/B NATIVE AMERICAN FUNDS FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION FOOD SERVICES PROGRAM

**NCA 21-088** A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF GRANT FUNDS AWARDED FROM THE INSTITUTE OF MUSEUM AND LIBRARY SERVICES FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE COLLEGE OF THE MUSCOGEE NATION

**NCA 21-089** A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING A BUDGET MODIFICATION IN EXCESS OF TEN PERCENT (10%) FOR THE

MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FACILITIES  
MANAGEMENT THIRD PARTY BUDGET FOR FY 2021

The committee met prior to the Planning Session and reported TR 21-121 and NCA 21-097 with a “Do Pass” to the full council to be added to the August 28, 2021 Regular Session Agenda in numerical order. The next scheduled committee meeting will be September 15, 2021 at 2:00 p.m. No announcements.

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**Land, Natural Resources & Cultural Preservation – Chairman Mark Randolph**

Chairman Mark Randolph announced the committee met and reported the following items with DO PASS:

**TR 21-114** A TRIBAL RESOLUTION OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF THE NATIONAL PARK SERVICE TRIBAL HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER (THPO) GRANT AGREEMENT AWARDING FUNDS TO THE HISTORIC AND CULTURAL PRESERVATION DEPARTMENT

**TR 21-115** A TRIBAL RESOLUTION OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING THE PRINCIPAL CHIEF TO EXECUTE A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT AMONG THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION, THE BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS, OKMULGEE COUNTY AND THE OKLAHOMA STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE REGARDING REPLACEMENT OF OLD HIGHWAY 75 NORTH BRIDGE OVER ADAMS CREEK, OKMULGEE COUNTY, OKLAHOMA

**NCA 21-090** A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF THE NATIONAL PARK SERVICE TRIBAL HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER (THPO) GRANT FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE HISTORIC AND CULTURAL PRESERVATION DEPARTMENT

**NCA 21-091** A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION REPEALING MCNCA TITLE 5, CHAPTER 2 ENTITLED “FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE,” CREATING NEW LAW IN MCNCA TITLE 5, CHAPTER 2 ENTITLED “FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE” AND AMENDING MCNCA TITLE 37, CHAPTER 2, SUBCHAPTER 1 ENTITLED “REQUIRED ANNUAL BUDGET ITEMS”

The committee met with Business, Finance & Justice Committee and reported TR 21-120 and TR 21-122 with a “Do Pass” to the full council to be added to the August 28, 2021 Regular Session Agenda in numerical order. No items for consideration. The next scheduled monthly committee meeting will be September 14, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. No announcements.

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**Business, Finance & Justice – Chairman William Lowe**

Chairman William Lowe announced the committee met and reported:

**Referred Legislation:**

No referred legislation

The committee met August 23, 2021 and reported NCR 21-007, TR 21-123, TR 21-124, TR 21-125, NCA 21-094 and NCA 21-095 with a "Do Pass" to the full council to be added to the August 28, 2021 Regular Session Agenda in numerical order. The next scheduled committee meeting will be September 16, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. No announcements.

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**OTHER BUSINESS:**

Interviewed Nominee Andrea James to serve as a Board Member for the Election Board.

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Emergency Session immediately following Planning Session.

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**ADJOURNMENT:**

Representative Lucian Tiger III made a **motion to Adjourn**. Representative Charles McHenry seconded the motion. Upon a motion and a second being made a voice vote was taken with following results being recorded: **All in favor, none against**.

Representative William Lowe gave the benediction.

Meeting adjourned at 6:48 p.m.

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**CERTIFICATION**

I, the undersigned, certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the Journal of the Muscogee (Creek) National Council comprised of sixteen members, with **Fourteen** members who approved and **One** who abstained this set of minutes on **September 25, 2021**.



Alicia Stroble, Recording Secretary  
Muscogee (Creek) National Council

**APPROVAL**

I, Speaker of the National Council, hereby affix my signature, certifying that the minutes of **August 24, 2021** Planning Session were approved on **September 25, 2021** during the Regular Session of the National Council.



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Randall Hicks, Speaker

Muscogee (Creek) National Council