



MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATIONAL COUNCIL

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Speaker: William Lowe

Second Speaker: Robert Hufft

MINUTES EMERGENCY SESSION Muscogee (Creek) National Council BY TELECONFERENCE September 13, 2023

Time Meeting Convened: 5:00 p.m.

Call to Order: Speaker William Lowe

Invocation: Speaker William Lowe

Roll Call: Recording Secretary Alicia Stroble

Roll call was taken with the following being recorded: **14** present, **1** absent, and **1** excused at the time of roll call.

CREEK DISTRICT

Patrick Freeman Jr Present
Joseph Hicks Present

OKFUSKEE DISTRICT

Randall Hicks Present
Sandra Golden Present

TULSA DISTRICT

Robert Hufft Present
Leonard Gouge Present

MCINTOSH DISTRICT

Darrell Proctor Present
Galen Cloud Present

OKMULGEE DISTRICT

Nelson Harjo Sr. **Absent**
William Lowe Present

WAGONER DISTRICT

Charles McHenry Present
Mark Randolph Present

MUSKOGEE DISTRICT

Mary Crawford Present
Joyce C. Deere Present

TUKVPTCE DISTRICT

Anna Marshall Present
Thomasene Yahola Osborn **Excused**

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

ORDER OF BUSINESS:

Representative Joseph Hicks made a motion to **Go Into Executive Session**. Representative Sandra Golden seconded the motion. Upon a motion and second being made, a voice vote was taken with the following results being recorded: **13 in favor, 0 against**.

MOTION CARRIED

Representative Joseph Hicks made a motion to **Come Out of Executive Session**. Representative Sandra Golden seconded the motion. Upon a motion and second being made, a voice vote was taken with the following results being recorded: **13 in favor, 0 against**.

MOTION CARRIED

Into Executive Session at 5:03 p.m.

Out of Executive Session at 5:20 p.m.

TR 23-096 A TRIBAL RESOLUTION OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AMENDING TR 19-076 (A TRIBAL RESOLUTION OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION TO SUSPEND ALL SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS AND DONATIONS) AS AMENDED BY TR 20-150, TR 21-080, TR 22-128, TR 22-143, TR 22-150, TR 22-155, TR 22-170, TR 23-045 AND TR 23-066 **Sponsor: Mark Randolph**

Representative Mark Randolph made a motion to **Adopt TR 23-096**.

No action taken, due to lack of a second.

TR 23-097 A TRIBAL RESOLUTION OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING THE PRINCIPAL CHIEF TO ENTER INTO A TRIBAL TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM AGREEMENT WITH THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS **Sponsor: Joseph Hicks**

Representative Joseph Hicks made a motion to **Adopt TR 23-097**. Representative Sandra Golden seconded the motion. Upon a motion and second being made, a voice vote was taken with the following results being recorded: **13 in favor, 0 against**.

MOTION CARRIED. To Adopt **TR 23-097** and be forwarded to the Speaker for his signature and will be recorded in the Journal of the National Council.

NCA 23-101 A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF GRANT FUNDS AWARDED FROM THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF LABOR FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE VETERANS AFFAIRS SERVICES OFFICE **Sponsor: William Lowe**

Representative Joseph Hicks made a motion to **Adopt NCA 23-101**. Representative Sandra Golden seconded the motion. Upon a motion and second being made, a roll call vote was taken with the following results being recorded: **12 in favor, 0 against**.

VOTE BY DISTRICT

CREEK DISTRICT

Patrick Freeman Jr. Yes
Joseph Hicks Yes

OKFUSKEE DISTRICT

Randall Hicks Yes
Sandra Golden Yes

TULSA DISTRICT

Robert Hufft Yes
Leonard Gouge Yes

MCINTOSH DISTRICT

Darrell Proctor Yes
Galen Cloud Yes

OKMULGEE DISTRICT

Nelson Harjo Sr.
William Lowe Yes

WAGONER DISTRICT

Charles McHenry Yes
Mark Randolph Yes

MUSKOGEE DISTRICT

Mary Crawford Yes
Joyce C. Deere Yes

TUKVPTCE DISTRICT

Anna Marshall Yes
Thomasene Yahola Osborn.....

MOTION CARRIED. To Adopt **NCA 23-101** and be forwarded to the Speaker for his signature and will be recorded in the Journal of the National Council.

***Representative Galen Cloud left meeting before vote was taken**

NCA 23-102 A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING A DONATION TO THE SOCIETY TO PRESERVE INDIGENOUS RIGHTS AND INDIGENOUS TREATIES (S.P.I.R.I.T.) ORGANIZATION TO FINANCIALLY ASSIST WITH THE 2023 OKMULGEE INDIGENOUS PEOPLE'S DAY **Sponsor: Mark Randolph (\$5,000.00)**

Representative Mark Randolph made a motion to **Adopt NCA 23-102**. Representative Robert Hufft seconded the motion. Discussion.

Representative Mark Randolph made a motion to **Amend the amount to \$2,000 throughout legislation**. Representative Charles McHenry seconded the motion. Upon a motion and second being made, a roll call vote was taken with the following results being recorded: **7 in favor, 3 against, 2 abstentions**.

VOTE BY DISTRICT	OKFUSKEE DISTRICT	TULSA DISTRICT
CREEK DISTRICT		
Patrick Freeman Jr. Yes	Randall Hicks Abstain	Robert Hufft Yes
Joseph Hicks Yes	Sandra Golden Abstain	Leonard Gouge..... No
MCINTOSH DISTRICT	OKMULGEE DISTRICT	WAGONER DISTRICT
Darrell Proctor No	Nelson Harjo Sr.	Charles McHenry Yes
Galen Cloud No	William Lowe.....	Mark Randolph Yes
MUSKOGEE DISTRICT	TUKVPTCE DISTRICT	
Mary Crawford Yes	Anna Marshall Yes	
Joyce C. Deere No	Thomasene Yahola Osborn.....	

Return to the Main Motion. Upon a motion and second being made, a roll call vote was taken with the following results being recorded: **7 in favor, 4 against, 1 abstention**.

VOTE BY DISTRICT	OKFUSKEE DISTRICT	TULSA DISTRICT
CREEK DISTRICT		
Patrick Freeman Jr. Yes	Randall Hicks No	Robert Hufft Yes
Joseph Hicks Yes	Sandra Golden Abstain	Leonard Gouge..... No
MCINTOSH DISTRICT	OKMULGEE DISTRICT	WAGONER DISTRICT
Darrell Proctor No	Nelson Harjo Sr.	Charles McHenry Yes
Galen Cloud No	William Lowe.....	Mark Randolph Yes
MUSKOGEE DISTRICT	TUKVPTCE DISTRICT	
Mary Crawford Yes	Anna Marshall Yes	
Joyce C. Deere No	Thomasene Yahola Osborn.....	

MOTION CARRIED. To Adopt **NCA 23-102 as amended** and be forwarded to the Speaker for his signature and will be recorded in the Journal of the National Council.

Funding Source identified as Interest on Permanent Fund Account.

TR 23-096 A TRIBAL RESOLUTION OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AMENDING TR 19-076 (A TRIBAL RESOLUTION OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION TO SUSPEND ALL SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS AND DONATIONS) AS AMENDED

BY TR 20-150, TR 21-080, TR 22-128, TR 22-143, TR 22-150, TR 22-155, TR 22-170,
TR 23-045 AND TR 23-066 **Sponsor: Mark Randolph**

Representative Mark Randolph made a motion to **Readdress TR 23-096**. Representative Charles McHenry seconded the motion. Upon a motion and second being made, a roll call vote was taken with the following results being recorded: **7 in favor, 5 against.**

VOTE BY DISTRICT	OKFUSKEE DISTRICT	TULSA DISTRICT
CREEK DISTRICT		
Patrick Freeman Jr. Yes	Randall Hicks No	Robert Hufft Yes
Joseph Hicks No	Sandra Golden Yes	Leonard Gouge..... Yes
MCINTOSH DISTRICT	OKMULGEE DISTRICT	WAGONER DISTRICT
Darrell Proctor No	Nelson Harjo Sr.	Charles McHenry Yes
Galen Cloud	William Lowe.....	Mark Randolph Yes
MUSKOGEE DISTRICT	TUKVPTCE DISTRICT	
Mary Crawford Yes	Anna Marshall No	
Joyce C. Deere No	Thomasene Yahola Osborn.....	

MOTION CARRIED.

Representative Mark Randolph made a motion to **Adopt TR 23-096**. Representative Charles McHenry seconded the motion. Upon a motion and second being made, a roll call vote was taken with the following results being recorded: **8 in favor, 4 against.**

VOTE BY DISTRICT	OKFUSKEE DISTRICT	TULSA DISTRICT
CREEK DISTRICT		
Patrick Freeman Jr. Yes	Randall Hicks No	Robert Hufft Yes
Joseph Hicks Yes	Sandra Golden Yes	Leonard Gouge..... Yes
MCINTOSH DISTRICT	OKMULGEE DISTRICT	WAGONER DISTRICT
Darrell Proctor No	Nelson Harjo Sr.	Charles McHenry Yes
Galen Cloud	William Lowe.....	Mark Randolph Yes
MUSKOGEE DISTRICT	TUKVPTCE DISTRICT	
Mary Crawford Yes	Anna Marshall No	
Joyce C. Deere No	Thomasene Yahola Osborn.....	

MOTION CARRIED. To Adopt **TR 23-096** and be forwarded to the Speaker for his signature and will be recorded in the Journal of the National Council.

NCA 23-105 A LAW OF THE MUSKOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING A DONATION TO MUSKOGEE OKLAHOMA NATIVE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION (MONAA) TO ASSIST WITH THE 2023 MUSKOGEE INDIGENOUS PEOPLES DAY **Sponsor: Mary Crawford (\$2,000.00)**

Representative Mary Crawford made a motion to **Adopt NCA 23-105**. Representative Mark Randolph seconded the motion. Upon a motion and second being made, a roll call vote was taken with the following results being recorded: **8 in favor, 4 against.**

VOTE BY DISTRICT	OKFUSKEE DISTRICT	TULSA DISTRICT
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CREEK DISTRICT

Patrick Freeman Jr.	Yes	Randall Hicks	No	Robert Hufft	Yes
Joseph Hicks	Yes	Sandra Golden	Yes	Leonard Gouge.....	Yes

MCINTOSH DISTRICT

Darrell Proctor	No
Galen Cloud	

OKMULGEE DISTRICT

Nelson Harjo Sr.	
William Lowe.....	

WAGONER DISTRICT

Charles McHenry	Yes
Mark Randolph	Yes

MUSKOGEE DISTRICT

Mary Crawford	Yes
Joyce C. Deere	No

TUKVPTCE DISTRICT

Anna Marshall	No
Thomasene Yahola Osborn.....	

MOTION CARRIED. To Adopt **NCA 23-105** and be forwarded to the Speaker for his signature and will be recorded in the Journal of the National Council.

Funding Source identified as Interest on Permanent Fund Account.

NCA 23-106 A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, ADMINISTRATION FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES TRIBAL CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM GRANT AND APPROPRIATING TRIBAL FUNDS FOR THE TRIBAL MATCH FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION OFFICE OF CHILD SUPPORT **Sponsor: Mark Randolph (\$2,270,608.00)**

Representative Mark Randolph made a motion to **Adopt NCA 23-106**. Representative Randall Hicks seconded the motion. Upon a motion and second being made, a roll call vote was taken with the following results being recorded: **12 in favor, 0 against.**

VOTE BY DISTRICT**CREEK DISTRICT**

Patrick Freeman Jr.	Yes
Joseph Hicks	Yes

OKFUSKEE DISTRICT

Randall Hicks	Yes
Sandra Golden	Yes

TULSA DISTRICT

Robert Hufft	Yes
Leonard Gouge.....	Yes

MCINTOSH DISTRICT

Darrell Proctor	Yes
Galen Cloud	

OKMULGEE DISTRICT

Nelson Harjo Sr.	
William Lowe.....	

WAGONER DISTRICT

Charles McHenry	Yes
Mark Randolph	Yes

MUSKOGEE DISTRICT

Mary Crawford	Yes
Joyce C. Deere	Yes

TUKVPTCE DISTRICT

Anna Marshall	Yes
Thomasene Yahola Osborn.....	

MOTION CARRIED. To Adopt **NCA 23-106** and be forwarded to the Speaker for his signature and will be recorded in the Journal of the National Council.

Funding Source identified as Gaming Fund Account.

NCA 23-107 A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION APPROVING THE COMPREHENSIVE ANNUAL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024 AND PROVIDING FOR APPROPRIATIONS **Sponsor: William Lowe**

Representative Joseph Hicks made a motion to **Adopt NCA23-107**. Representative Mark Randolph seconded the motion. Upon a motion and second being made, a roll call vote was taken with the following results being recorded: **11 in favor, 1 against**.

VOTE BY DISTRICT

CREEK DISTRICT

Patrick Freeman Jr. Yes
Joseph Hicks Yes

OKFUSKEE DISTRICT

Randall Hicks Yes
Sandra Golden No

TULSA DISTRICT

Robert Hufft Yes
Leonard Gouge Yes

MCINTOSH DISTRICT

Darrell Proctor Yes
Galen Cloud Yes

OKMULGEE DISTRICT

Nelson Harjo Sr.
William Lowe Yes

WAGONER DISTRICT

Charles McHenry Yes
Mark Randolph Yes

MUSKOGEE DISTRICT

Mary Crawford Yes
Joyce C. Deere Yes

TUKVPTCE DISTRICT

Anna Marshall Yes
Thomasene Yahola Osborn.....

MOTION CARRIED. To Adopt **NCA 23-107** and be forwarded to the Speaker for his signature and will be recorded in the Journal of the National Council.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

ADJOURNMENT

BENEDICTION:

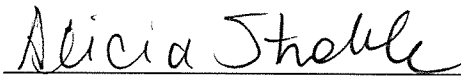
Representative Joseph Hicks made a motion to **Adjourn**. Representative Anna Marshall seconded the motion. Upon on a motion and a second being made, a voice vote was taken with the following being recorded: **All in favor, none against**.

Representative Joseph Hicks gave the benediction.

Meeting adjourned at 6:13 p.m.

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 **Fifteen** members who approved this set of minutes on **October 28, 2023**.



Alicia Stroble, Recording Secretary
Muscogee (Creek) National Council

APPROVAL

I, Speaker of the National Council, hereby affix my signature, certifying that the minutes of **September 13, 2023** Emergency Session were approved on **October 28, 2023** during the Quarterly Session of the National Council.



William Lowe, Speaker
Muscogee (Creek) National Council