

# SENECA-CAYUGA NATION

## CONSTITUTION COMMITTEE MEETING

<b>DATE</b>	Monday, July 17, 2023	<b>TIME PLACE</b>	6pm CDT Tribal HQ + Zoom	<b>FACILITATOR</b>	Carrie Kneeland
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MEMBERS			
<b>Roberta Smith</b>	Present	<b>Scott B Goode</b>	Present - Zoom
<b>Carrie Kneeland</b>	Present - Zoom	<b>Angela Anglen Kelley</b>	Present later - Zoom
<b>Natalie Dixon</b>	Present - Zoom	<b>Earlyne Gentry</b>	Present later
<b>Diana Baker</b>	Present - Zoom	<b>Jo Lynn Gentry</b>	Present later - Zoom
<b>Yvonne Perryman-Matthews</b>	Present	Others Present	<b>Dennis Sisco</b>

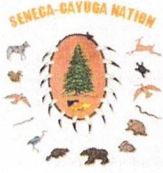
TIME	ITEM	OWNER
6:07pm	<p><b>Called to Order</b> - Quorum established at the Seneca-Cayuga Nation's regular Constitution Committee meeting.</p>	Carrie
	<p><b>Approval of Previous Minutes</b> – July 10, 2023 minutes spoken to, no corrections or amendments to the record – <b>minutes APPROVED</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Angela was present by the time of the Approval Vote.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>CERTIFICATION</u></b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>On <u>7/17/2023</u> the minutes of <u>7/10/2023</u> were approved by unanimous committee consent. Copy emailed to BC Secretary on <u>7/18/2023</u>.</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Attest: <u>Natalie Dixon</u></b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Natalie Dixon, Secretary</b></p>	Natalie

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	<p><b>Housekeeping</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Roll Call</li> <li>ii. Approval of Previous Meetings Minutes – July 10, 2023</li> <li>iii. Remember to have the current meeting’s agenda with you during our meetings so we can stay focused on our quest.</li> <li>iv. A portion of our meeting is going to be allocated for sharing. If a committee member has researched, read or discovered books/articles, has met, knows of or has information of leaders or a person of interest that will enlighten, educate and benefit our quest, please hold your enthusiasm until “Open Forum”.</li> <li>v. If the content is lengthy, please email content to the members of this committee in advance to allow time for discussion</li> </ul>	Carrie
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<b>Minutes Begin</b>		
	<p><b>Chair's Report on BC meeting July 11, 2023</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Request #2 - discussion over alternate location if need due to funerals</li> </ul>	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Committee agrees that in case of a funeral we will relocate rather than reschedule</li> <li>○ August 5 – AOA building, Joanna to let us into either building</li> <li>○ Other dates – Rock House possible, Roberta amenable, must notify Vince</li> <li>● Request #4 – discussion over professional fees and the requirements prior to retaining a professional <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Scott speaks to the BC response and his words to them – we are unsure the amt of money needed to do this work, Committee will need to present a more solid options as to who and why we chose someone with a more precise amt of money to BC</li> <li>○ Possible options include <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ John Williams – former tribal council now on his own, represents 2 or 3 similar sized tribes in Cali, has helped Scott in the past regarding Secretarial Election and Amendments</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ Amounts over \$3500 will require procurement and RFP process due to federal law, Dennis provided procurement process which to be later sent out to Committee members by Secretary</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
6:27pm	<b>Earlyne Arrives</b>	
	<p><b>Chair's Report Continues</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Request #4 discussion continues <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● RFP requires same thing for each person in order to retain and fulfill obligations</li> <li>● Possible options cont <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Earlyne has possible lead, other lead backed out due to health issues</li> <li>▪ Roberta mentions an attorney for the Cherokee Nation</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
6:32pm	<b>Jo Lynn Arrives</b>	

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	<p><b>Chair's Report Continues</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Request #4 discussion continues               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Avenues to publish for procurement – ICT, other papers, NARF, SC Nation website</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
	<p><b>Town Hall</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Probably most ppl at this town hall, 50-75 ppl at other meetings due to timing, planning for 200 max</li> </ul>	
	<p><b>Secretary's Recall</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Review of online responses and commentary, graphs</li> <li>• Discussion on amendment, the balance that needs to be struck for amendments numbers based on General Council meetings and enrollment</li> <li>• Discussion on inclusion of the scope of our work and further civic education possibilities in newsletter, related to commentary on survey and inability of Committee to address financial/benefit concerns as presented to them – additional input from Roberta or Diana likely needed at Aug 5 Town Hall – future Town Hall education could include review of survey as a group question by question</li> <li>• Discussion over streaming of Town Halls – big issue is internet access, can have one of us do Facebook Live, will need someone to monitor it</li> </ul>	
	<p><b>Text Notification</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 28<sup>th</sup> – Text Notification               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Natalie to create little graphic to be sent out to SC Text Notification System after approval by group</li> <li>• Graphic to include – Date, Time, Location, Alternate Location, Beverages and Snack Provided, General Community Discussion</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
	<p><b>Town Hall Supplies + Further Discussion</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Joanna to buy supplies and have them ready for us at Town Hall per discussion with Joanna, follow-up email to be sent               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ List of items provided to Committee</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Further discussion needed on set-up roles amongst Committee</li> <li>• All to be present, save for Jo Lynn who will be in transit</li> <li>• Dennis will be there</li> </ul>	
	<p><b>Discussion on professional fees</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Amanda Proctor would be willing to engage with us, per Earlyne</li> </ul>	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="443 188 1182 254">• RFP needs to be done in order for us to seriously open talks with a professional to be retained</li> </ul>	
	Reminder for 10 issues as seen by members sent to Natalie by July 31, to be compiled & presented at upcoming Town Hall	
7:45pm	<b>Meeting Adjourned by Group Consensus</b>	



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## CONSTITUTION COMMITTEE CHAIR REPORT

<b>DATE</b>	Tuesday, July 11, 2023	<b>TIME PLACE</b>	6pm CDT AOA + online	<b>SUBJECT</b>	Report of BC meeting July 11, 2023
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MEMBERS			
<b>Roberta Smith</b>	Not Present	<b>Scott B Goode</b>	Present
<b>Carrie Kneeland</b>	Present	<b>Angela Anglen Kelley</b>	Present
<b>Natalie Dixon</b>	Not Present	<b>Earlyne Gentry</b>	Present
<b>Diana Baker</b>	Present	<b>Jo Lynn Gentry</b>	Not Present
<b>Yvonne Perryman-Matthews</b>	Present	Others Present	<b>All of the BC</b>

ITEM
<b># of BC meetings attended by Constitution Advisory Committee: 1</b>
<p><b>Request #1:</b> To extend our working term until May 31, 2024.</p> <p><b>Result #1:</b> Terms lifted. BC would like continual reports of progress. Scott to provide these reports informally through his regular attendance at the BC Meeting. The Committee will address General Council 2024.</p>
<p><b>Request #2:</b> Request to use the community building for Town Halls on the following dates – August 5, 2023, November 4, 2023, February 3, 2023, May 4, 2023.</p> <p><b>Result #2:</b> Community building OK to use for Town Halls unless there is a funeral. In the event of a funeral, it is necessary to vote amongst ourselves whether to cancel or reschedule. In the event of a reschedule we will decide which Saturday and then make proper arrangements to secure the building and send updated text messages.</p>

**Request #3:** \$1000.00 for refreshments for Town Halls.

**Result #3:** Granted.

**Request #4:** \$5000.00 for professional fees to retain a consultant.

**Result #4:** We may retain a consultant. Must interview at least 3 people. If the budget of the consultant exceeds \$3500 then we must follow procurement procedure. Copies of the procurement procedure were provided by Dennis and distributed 7/18/2023 via email by Committee Secretary.

After selection the consultant will be introduced to the BC.

Each member of this committee that attended the BC meeting was very enthusiastic and worked very well together by encouraging and supporting one another. Carrie addressed the BC for the first 3 requests, Scott for the last one.