



Executive Council

Central Council Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska
EKT Conference Room

ADOPTED April 9, 2014 Meeting Minutes

CALL TO ORDER

The Chair Edward K. Thomas called the meeting to order at 7:25 AM.

Edward K. Thomas	President	Present
Will Micklin	1 st Vice President	Present
Rob Sanderson Jr.	2 nd Vice President	Present
Yodean Armour	3 rd Vice President	Present
Richard Peterson	4 th Vice President	Present
Harold Houston	5 th Vice President	Present
Lowell Halverson	6 th Vice President	Present
Konrad Frank	Youth Representative	Present @ 8:53 AM

Also present were:

Melissa Kookesh, Recording Secretary
Tana Bell, Secretary to the President
Edith McHenry, Administrative Assistant
Corrine Garza, Chief Operating Officer
Theresa Belton, Chief Financial Officer
Scott Fulton, San Francisco Delegate

INVOCATION

Invocation was provided by Robert Sanderson, Jr.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

M/S Richard Peterson /Robert Sanderson to adopt the agenda as amended, by moving the minutes to the end of the agenda. C/U

REPORTS

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Thomas was happy to report the Elizabeth Peratrovich Hall is completed and ready for Tribal Assembly. The major hold ups that we anticipated came through and we had to do certain requirements for the fire code. President Thomas will be addressing his ruling on the delegate count. As well as share his highlight of the Executive Council and the leadership they have carried forward. President Thomas thanked the COO and CFO for keeping us on track with our budgets.

President Thomas shared the joint assistance we have come together with former President John Borbridge, Jr. and the fishing derby he recommends we donate \$5,000 and ask Sealaska Corporation to do the same. He also requested his email remain open through the end of the month so he can transfer all files to the tribe. He has already taken the steps have emails stopped to his account. A transition plan and strategic planning have been put into place for the new President and Vice Presidents. The tribe needs the new Executive Council to sign off on the Code of Ethics. It is the time for resume's to be given and for the questions and answers to be expected of our Presidential Candidates.

Our Welcome Dinner we will be honoring Senator Albert Kookesh with the President's Lifetime Achievement. The dinner that Cathy and he are hosting will be a dinner and not a Presidential Candidates forum. He is requesting we have Senator Albert Kookesh swear in the new President.

Chief Operating Officer

Chief Operating Officer provided a report to the Executive Council on the financial report being presented to the Tribal Assembly. She was happy to report there were no findings in the Audit Report. She was also happy to report the hall was completed and this was our main focus. She reported on the improvements to the hall which were the washable walls, electrical and lighting, carpet tiles and acoustics. The 3rd floor of the Andrew Hope Building will be completed under the new leadership. She closed that it was a pleasure working with all of you.

AUDIT REPORT

Chief Financial Officer reported there was no finding in the audit report and this is the first time since 2006. There was reformatting of the indirect cost proposal. There were some effects of sequestration and our compact was hit pretty hard. 1st Vice President Will Micklin reported there have always been unqualified findings, but is happy to hear how far we have come as an organization.

TLINGIT HAIDA TRIBAL BUSINESS CORPORATION

CEO Richard Rinehart reported on his business plan and how the corporation is ready to launch. He stated they opened the corporation's bank account, have our logo developed and our launching of our website will be very soon. We are requesting a seed start-up of \$250,000 and the plan is to pay back the borrowed money as soon as possible. The numbers for this come from salaries and companies in Washington state.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Executive Session from 9:45 AM to 10:06 AM.

Community Councils of the Year

Executive Council selected the Large & Small Community Council's of the Year:

Large Community Council of the Year – Seattle

1st Runner Up–Ketchikan

2nd Runner Up - Anchorage

Small Community Council of the Year – San Francisco

DONATIONS

M/S Lowell Halverson / Harold Houston for Tlingit and Haida Central Council to donate \$5,000 National Congress of American Indians. M/C

The Chair asked for unanimous consent for a \$5,000 donation the Spring King Salmon Derby. Hearing no objection, so ordered.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

President Thomas – Thanking Yodean for her your hard work and dedication. We are sad she will not be running again, but thank her for sharing Rusty with us. Thank you to Konrad for making us proud.

Harold Houston – It was a pleasure to work with this Executive Council and thank you for your hard work and dedication to the tribe for the past four years. It has been an honor to work with you President Thomas and it boils down to the staff and your leadership with them. I do believe you left the tribe in a better place and thank you.

Richard Peterson – It has been one of his biggest privileges and honors as working under you. He consideres himself very blessed and it was an honor.

Robert Sanderson – Very grateful to have served under you and thank you for your vote of confidence in the Executive Council. He would like to thank the front office, Konrad, and Yodean. He is hopeful this Executive Council retains.

Yodean Armour – Wants to thank you as she promised her grandfather she'd finish her Masters Degree. She strongly feels that she should not have too much on her plate and being able to do a good job. She doesn't feel it is fair to the tribe.

President Thomas – He's not going to do his farewell's here. When you changed the Honor dinner to a Farewell dinner that was appreciated for the support from the Executive Council. He thanked the Executive Council for the latitude and flexibility as President.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

M/S Richard Peterson / Harold Houston to adopt the February 10, 2014 Executive Council meeting minutes. C/U

ADJOURN

The Chair ruled the meeting adjourned at 4:05PM. No objection, so ordered.