

Minutes of Meeting
79th Annual Tribal Assembly
Central Council of Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska
April 9-12, 2014
Elizabeth Peratrovich Hall
Juneau, Alaska

"For Our Future Generations"
"Haa Eeti Káa Yis" • "Gudgwáa tláas xáat'aay"

Day II: Thursday, April 10, 2014

President Edward K. Thomas called the second session of the 79th Annual Tribal Assembly to order at 8:30 a.m., Thursday, April 10, 2014.

Tribal Court Judge David Voluck offered the invocation.

Special music was provided by Evans and Elaine Kadake.

CREDENTIALS REPORT / ESTABLISH QUORUM

Ella Bennett, Chair of the Credentials Committee, reported that of 137 delegates authorized, 131 were duly registered. The majority was established at 67.

M/S Evelyn Myers / Jerry Bennett moved to accept the report of the Credentials Committee.
M/C

A quorum was declared by the Chair.

The Chair of the Credentials Committee swore in the 4 delegates who were not present during the Oath of Office on Wednesday, April 9, 2014.

SESSION CHAIR

William Micklin, 1st Vice President, was appointed and assumed the Chair, without objection.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Seattle Delegate Jacob Cabuag informed the delegation that he will be withdrawing his name from the Executive Council candidacy.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

M/S Gerry Hope / Harold Houston to adopt the minutes of Day One - April 9, 2014 of the 79th annual Tribal Assembly. C/U

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Edward K. Thomas presented his last State of the Tribe as President of the Tlingit Haida Central Council.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Seattle Delegate Tate London requested privilege of the floor. No objection, so ordered. He rose and spoke against the President's Ruling on the Good Addresses for Determining the Number of Delegates.

Angoon Delegate Maxine Thompson rose and thanked President Thomas for his stance on compact tribal support.

CHIEF OPERATING OFFICERS REPORT

Corrine Garza, Chief Operating Officer, gave her report covering the trust fund, federal grant management, indirect cost reimbursement, deficit, indirect expenses, carry-forwards, and shortfall.

Angoon Delegate Richard George moved and asked unanimous consent to accept the report of the President. No objection, so ordered.

Following the question and answer period the Tlingit Haida Central Council staff were all out of order as they followed out retiring President Edward K. Thomas dancing to the music "Staying Alive".

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Washington, DC Update

Phil Baker-Shenk of Holland & Knight gave the Washington, DC update to the delegation.

AUDIT COMMITTEE REPORT

Yodean Armour, Chair of the Audit Committee, thanked the Audit Committee for their work on the review of the 2013 Audit Report. She also reported on the Audit Report training which was held prior to the start of Tribal Assembly and was only attended by Audit Committee.

Yodean Armour introduced Alex Beckman of BDO. Mr. Beckman went over the 2013 Audit Report.

M/S Candace Williams / Jessica Dominy to accept the Audit Committee's Report. M/C

INTRODUCTION OF BUDGET

James Jack, Chair of the Finance Committee, thanked the committee members for their work.

M/S Laverne Wise / Helen Simpson move the adoption of the 2014 amended budget. M/C

M/S James Jack moved and asked unanimous consent for the 2015 proposed budget to be deferred to Saturday morning. M/C

Tlingit-Haida Regional Housing Authority (THRHA)

President Ricardo Worl presented the report of the THRHA. Joe Williams, Chair of the Board of Commissioners provided the full report to the delegation. A short video presentation was provided.

The Chair ruled that any questions that do not get answered can be sent to the Office of the President and will be submitted to the THRHA for response.

RECESS

The Chair ordered a ten minute recess from 1:15 pm to 1:25 pm. No objection, so ordered.

SESSION CHAIR

Lowell Halverson, 6th Vice President assumed the chair. No objection, so ordered.

ROLL CALL

Recording Secretary Melissa Kookesh completed the roll call. A quorum was declared. No objection, so ordered.

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Tlingit Haida Tribal Business Corporation

CEO Richard Rinehart provided a report to the delegation as well as a proposal.

RECESS

The Chair declared a recess from 2:23 pm to 2:31 pm. No objection, so ordered.

Enrollment Committee Report

Chairwoman Ella Bennett gave the report of the Enrollment Committee.

M/S Martha Johnson / James Jack moved to accept the Enrollment Committee report. M/C

NOMINATIONS

Jan Peele, Chair of the Elections Committee, assumed the Chair, without objection.

The Chair announced that the Recording Secretary would read the names that were submitted to the Office of the President before the deadline of March 31, 2014 at 4:30 pm. The Chair then declared nominations would be open for the Youth Representative, Tribal Court Judge (2014-2016), and Citizen of the Year open.

Juneau Delegate Jerry Bennett moved to nominate all the candidates who submitted their Declaration of Intent to Serve for the Office of the President and Vice President. No objection, so ordered.

Nominations for Office of the President

Richard Peterson
William "Ozzie" Sheakley
Harold Houston

Nominations for Office of Vice President

William Micklin
Jolene Edenshaw
Robert A. Sanderson, Jr.
Marvin Adams
Carol Martinez
Lowell Halverson
Tasha Hotch
Rachel Moreno
Gerry Hope
Jessica Dominy
Jacqueline Pata
Richard George

Nominations for Tribal Court Judge (2014-2016)

Susettna King	Nominated by	Ella Bennett
Leona Santiago	Nominated by	Pamela Stearns
Lance Twitchell	Nominated by	Jolene Edenshaw

Nominations for Youth Representative

Brandon Mayer	Nominated by	Fred Lauth
Michael Hoyt	Nominated by	Lance Twitchell
Kyle Worl	Nominated by	Shirley Kendall

Nominations for Delegate/Citizen of the Year

Elizabeth Peterman	Nominated by	Sue Stevens
Bertha Karras	Nominated by	Paulette Moreno
Vi Cote	Nominated by	Jack Strong

PRESIDENTIAL FORUM

The Presidential Panel informed the delegation they will be asking the Presidential Candidates six questions regarding our tribal future.

The Presidential Panel ruled that candidates for President will be allowed five (5) minutes for campaign speeches. No objection, so ordered.

COMMUNITY COUNCIL OF THE YEAR AWARD

The Chair announced selection of Councils of the Year.

Seattle is the winner of the 2014 Large Community Council of the Year Award, Ketchikan as 1st runner-up, and Anchorage as 2nd runner-up.

San Francisco is the winner of the 2014 Small Community Council of the Year Award. No other nominations were received for consideration for the runner-up positions.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

The Chair announced the committee meeting locations.

RECESS

The meeting recessed for the day at 4:27 p.m.