



Georgia Council on American Indian Concerns

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GCAIC Meeting Minutes 1/30/2023

- Call to Order: 11:30 am
- Invocation: Royce
- Roll Call: McCormick, Kirkland, Gooding, McCrary, Altman, Vonnie McCormick (via Zoom),
 - Guests: Bledsoe, Dr. Hosey, Dandy
- Approval of Minutes: Unanimous
- Presentations:
 - Lori Bledsoe- 4-H Program Development
 - Council will continue to work with them on curriculum and delivery methods.
 - Terrie Dandy- Equal Employment Opportunities Commission
- Treasury Report
- Legislative Update
- Records Update
 - In contact with UNG regarding ongoing records project for the Georgia Tribe of Eastern Cherokee
 - Altman will explore potential ways of digitizing council records
- Tribal Reports
 - Lower Muscogee Tribes
 - Attended GIIC Meeting
 - Conducted townhall and other meetings with various elected officials and business.
 - Twin Pines discussion and tribal view.
 - Georgia Tribe of Eastern Cherokees
 - No report offered
 - The Cherokee of Georgia Tribal Council
 - No report offered
- External Communication Summary



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- Calls/ Emails/Mail
- UNG Email
 - UNG reached out to work with the council on incorporating land acknowledgment and labor acknowledgment statements through the UNG course curriculum
- Bull Mountain Development
 - Multiple communications from multiple concerned citizens. The site records were checked and contained no known Native archeological sites. Outside consultant services were discussed to verify similar cases in the future if feasible.
- Tribal Collection Email
 - Collection of arrowheads or other artifacts were offered to the council. The council's role is to help facilitate the return of these object and remains, rather than take ownership of them. The individual will be connected with state-recognized tribes for further discussion.
- Other Business
 - Georgia Tribe Night: July 15th
 - Georgia Tribe Night or Native American High School Showcase could affect our July/June meeting date.
 - Georgia Day Parade - Savannah
 - Council will reach out to Chatham County about the parade and potentially insensitive and culturally accurate portions of their event.
 - Tribal History
- Announcements
- Adjournment 1:04pm