

**TENTH LEGISLATURE
OF THE
CHEYENNE AND ARAPAHO TRIBES
SPECIAL SESSION
OCTOBER 30, 2025
CONCHO, OK**

RESOLUTION:	A Resolution to Approve the Nomination of Billie Sue Sutton to the Cheyenne and Arapaho Education Endowment Fund Board.
RESOLUTION NO:	10L-SS-2025-1030-009
DATE INTRODUCED:	October 23, 2025
SPONSOR:	Kendricks Sleeper, District A2
CO-SPONSOR:	Rector Candy, District A4

SUBJECT: A Resolution to Approve the Nomination of Billie Sue Sutton to the Cheyenne and Arapaho Education Endowment Fund Board.

WHEREAS: The Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes are a federally recognized tribe with their own form of self-government organized under a constitution approved by Tribal membership on April 4, 2006, and approved by the Secretary of the Interior; and

WHEREAS: Article VI, Section 5(a) and (c) in the Constitution provides that "Legislative power shall be vested in the Legislature" and "[t]he Legislature shall have the power to make laws and resolutions in accordance with the Constitution which are necessary and proper for the good of the Tribes;" and

WHEREAS: The Legislature has the Constitutional obligation and public responsibility to the Tribes to oversee the Tribes' operations in order to establish and promote justice, establish guidance and direction for the government and advance the general welfare of the Tribes; and

WHEREAS: Article VI, Section 5(a) of the Constitution provides that Legislative power shall reside with the Legislature; and

WHEREAS: Article VI, Section 5(a) of the Constitution requires "Laws and resolutions which have been enacted shall remain valid until amended or repealed;" and

WHEREAS: Article VI, Section 5(h) of the Constitution, allows for the Legislature to create Boards and members of all Boards created by the Legislature to be nominated by the Governor, subject to confirmation of the Legislature; and

WHEREAS: On October 11, 2025 at a Regular Session of the Legislature, the Tenth Legislature Of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes passed resolution 10L-RS-2025-10-006 creating the Cheyenne and Arapaho Education Endowment Fund Act of 2025 (“Act”); and

WHEREAS: The Act established a Cheyenne and Arapaho Education Endowment Fund (“CAEEF”); and

WHEREAS: The CAEEF shall be governed by a Board of Directors (“Board”) and be composed of no more than 5 members in accordance with §11.007 of the Act; and

WHEREAS: Governor Reggie Wassana now nominates Billie Sue Sutton as a board member of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Education Endowment Fund Board; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Tenth Legislature of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes, pursuant to its Constitutional power, hereby confirms Billie Sue Sutton as a board member of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Education Endowment Fund Board, in accordance with Article VI Section 5(h) of the Constitution.


Kendricks Sleeper
Speaker of the Tenth Legislature
Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes




ATTEST:

I, Jodi White Buffalo, Legislative Clerk, hereby certify that the foregoing is a True and Accurate Copy of the Original Bill No. 10L-SS-2025-1030-009 which was acted upon by the Legislature of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes in the Tenth Legislature Special Session, by a roll call vote on the 30th day of October, 2025, by a vote.

VOTE RECORD:

DISTRICT	LEGISLATOR	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
A1	Diane Willis		✓		
A2	Kendricks Sleeper	✓			
A3	Travis Ruiz		✓		
A4	Rector Candy	✓			
C1	Bruce Whiteman, Jr.	✓			
C2	George Woods				✓
C3	Thomas Trout	✓			
C4	Byron Byrd	✓			
TOTAL		5			
Passes (X) Fails () Tabled () Allowed to Die () No Action ()					


Jodi White Buffalo, Legislative Clerk
Tenth Legislature, Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes

ATTEST:

Pursuant to Article VI, Section 7, subsection (a)(iv) of the Tribes Constitution reads in part: "All Bills passed by the Legislature shall be presented to the Governor for signature or veto. All laws shall take effect thirty days after signature by the Governor or veto override by the Legislature unless any Member of the Tribes submits to the Coordinator of the Office of Tribal Council a petition signed by at least one hundred fifty Members of the Tribal Council seeking to repeal the law or resolution at the next Tribal Council meeting. If the Tribal Council fails to repeal such law or resolution at the next Tribal Council where the matter has been properly placed on the agenda for the Tribal Council meeting, such law or resolution shall become effective immediately."

Pursuant to Article VII, Section 4, subsection (g) of the Tribes Constitution reads: "The Governor shall have the power to sign any enactment passed by the Legislature into law or to veto any enactment passed by the Legislature within ten days of passage with a written explanation of any objections; and if the Governor takes no action within ten days, then the enactment shall become law in accordance with this Constitution."

{ ☒ } APPROVED

{ } VETOED: Attachment ____; Governor's written explanation of any objections.

On the 30th day of October, 2025.



Reggie Wassana, Governor
Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes

TRANSMITTAL OF DOCUMENTS:

From the Legislative Branch to the Office of Records Management

ATTEST:

Pursuant to Article VI, Section 7, subsection (a)(v), of the Tribes Constitution reads, "The Office of Records Management shall compile all Laws and Resolutions into a comprehensive Code in an orderly manner that shall be published annually."

Office of Records Management Staff, hereby certify that the foregoing is a True and Accurate Original Resolution No. 10L-SS-2025-1030-009.

Space below is reserved for Stamp:

Received (Date) Office of Record Management



Signature: Cheryl Blind

Print Name: Cheryl Blind

Title: Director

Date: 10/30/25

Office of Records Management

Department of Administration, Executive Branch

Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes

Billie S. Sutton

Educator/ Legislator/Language Advocate

To serve and promote the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes educational, cultural, and language needs in communities.

Experience

2022 - Current

Retired

Legislator, Curriculum Specialist, Language Teacher, Language Advocate, Teacher Mentor, Tribal Youth Program Teacher, Head Start Teacher and mentor, Computer Service Instructor

2018 – 2022

Legislator

Arapaho District One Legislator for the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes. Developed and updated tribal laws and resolutions. Developed Community activities and events, served individual and community needs.

2013 – 2017

Curriculum Specialist/Language Teacher - Mentor

Developed two-level Arapaho Language curriculum for public schools which was also the basis for the Cheyenne Language curriculum. Developed on-line language learning videos and recordings. Trained and mentored student language teachers.

2011 – 2013

Teacher – Mentor - Various

Worked in various positions within the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes which include Tribal Youth Program leader and Head Start Teacher/Mentor concurrently, Lucky Star Casino – Canton Drop Team and Cashier

1984 – 2011

Computer Service Technology Instructor

Developed basic computer serving and networking curriculum for public high school students and adult participants. Acquired numerous computer related certifications including CompTIA - A+ and Network + certifications. Retired from teaching 2011.

1981 – 1984

Computer Service Field-Service Tech/Manager

Set-up computer systems and software, serviced, researched and ordered components for various PC systems

Education

Obtained Various IT Related Certifications,

2008

Bachelor of Science in Education

University of Central Oklahoma – Edmond, Oklahoma

1982

Advanced Micro Electronics Certification

Elkins Institute – Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Core Competencies

Creativity

Leadership and Supervisory Skills

Organizational Skills

Problem Solving Skills

Teamwork and Staff Development

Program Administration

Writing Tribal Resolutions and Laws

Curriculum Development

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