RESOLUTION OF THE WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE OF THE FORT APACHE INDIAN RESERVATION

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe finds that the Tribal Queen Committee, operating under the White Mountain Apache Tribal Fair Commission, would function more efficiently and appropriately if rules and regulations were established specific to the goals and purposes of the Queen Committee, and

WHEREAS, said Committee has drafted guidelines to be followed by the Queen reigning as Miss White Mountain Apache, and has recommended them for approval by the Tribal Council, and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has considered and reviewed the Queen Committee's presentation and recommendations, and has discussed amendments thereto.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby approves the Queen Committee's Guidelines, as amended, a copy of which is attached hereto and by this reference made a part hereof.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that said Guidelines shall be effective henceforth from this date until such time as amended or revoked by the Tribal Council.

The foregoing resolution was on April 6, 1977 duly adopted by a vote of 9 for and 0 against by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to authority vested in it by Article V, Section 1 (i) of the Amended Constitution and By-Laws of the Tribe, ratified by the Tribe June 27, 1958 and approved by the Secretary of the Interior on May 29, 1958, pursuant to Section 16 of the Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984).

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WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE QUEEN COMMITTEE

GUIDELINES

A. QUEEN COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

- 1. The Queen Committee shall be composed of any interested tribal member who reside on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation.
- The Queen Committee membership shall meet every two years in the Month of May and elect from the membership, persons to serve as Officers of the Committee, for two-tear terms.

The Committee shall elect a Chairman, a Vice-Chairman, a Secretary, and a Treasurer, with the following responsibilities:

The Chairman shall be responsible for calling meetings of the Committee, for presiding over all committee meetings, and for attending any Tribal Council Meetings or other meetings as may be necessary to the interests of the Committee.

The Vice-Chairman shall be responsible for fulfilling all the duties of the Chairman when the Chairman is absent or unavailable.

The Secretary shall be responsible for recording the minutes of all meetings, for all correspondence and for making all arrangements for travel, lodging, scheduling, etc., necessary for the Queen and the Queen Committee.

The Treasurer shall be responsible for keeping account of all finances of the Committee and reporting same to the Committee and the Tribe.

- 3. A Committee member may be absent from no more than three (3) Committee meetings, without excuse, before being removed from Committee Membership for unexcused absence.
- 4. The Committee Chairman or Vice-Chairman shall attend any Tribal Council Meeting when called upon, for the purposes of the Committee.
- 5. All Committee members shall assist in any fund-raising projects for the Committee whenever possible.
- 6. A Queen Committee member, family member of the Queen or friend may Chaperone the Queen, and shall be paid per diem expenses, unless otherwise decided by the Committee Chairman. The annual Washington, D. C. trip made by the Queen shall be chaperoned by a Queen Committee member at all times.
- 7. The Queen Committee shall be responsible for supporting the Queen during her reign. All decisions of the Queen Committee in fulfilling the purposes of the Committee, shall be final.
- 8. All Committee members shall make their best efforts to be an hour early for every event which they sponsor.
- 9. The date of the annual pageant will be scheduled by the Committee during the first week of June.

B. CHAPERONE

- 1. The chaperone shall be with the Queen to assist her at all times.
- 2. In case of any emergency, the chaperone shall contact the immediate family of the Queen, and the Committee Chairman, or any other Committee member, if the Chairman cannot be reached.
- 3. The chaperone and the Queen shall present themselves in a respectable manner at all times. The Chaperone and the Queen shall be responsible for properly scheduling their time of arrival at scheduled events, and for other similar decisions.
- 4. The Queen Committee members shall not be responsible for any accidents, in the event the Queen should decide to take her private vehicle, unless otherwise permitted by the Queen Committee.
- 5. The chaperone shall keep a record of expenses and mileage to report to the Queen Committee.
- 6. The chaperone shall be paid mileage when using her private vehicle on trips with the Queen, \$25.00 per diem expense for on-reservation trips, and \$35.00 per diem expense for off-reservation trips; provided, that per diem amounts may be increased by the Committee in accordance with any increases in per diem rates by the Tribal Council for tribal employees on tribal business.

C. THE QUEEN

- 1. The Queen shall be automatically covered by Tribal insurance coverage while serving in her official capacity as Queen.
- 2. The Queen shall refer any problems to the Queen Committee for action, providing that any such problem which the Committee cannot or does not resolve may be referred to the Tribal Council.
- The Queen should accept invitations upon request or notification by the Queen Committee. In the event there are conflicting dates of invitations, the Queen Committee shall have the final decision as to which the Queen shall attend.
- 4. The Queen shall report all events to the Tribe.
- 5. The Queen should attend all Committee meetings and should also attend any Tribal Council meeting when requested.
- 6. The Queen must be required to speak the Apache language.
- 7. During the Queen's travels, she shall use the tribal car at all times possible, and in the event that the tribal car is not available, she shall use the chaperone's car. If neither of said cars are available, then and in the event only, shall she use her private vehicle.
- 8. The Queen shall present herself in the traditional dress at all times. Her Crown and banner shall be worn when she is acting under her official title on behalf of the Tribe by authorization of the Queen Committee.

- 9. Whenever the Queen is not available, the Attendant first available, in the order of selection from first Attendant to last, shall automatically succeed the Queen in her official duties as Queen, until such time as the Queen is again available.
- 10. The Queen shall be required to carry an Identification card with her pictures in traditional attire.
- 11. Once a Queen has held her title, she will not be eligible to compete for the same title again.
- 12. The Attendants shall assist the Queen in every way. Trips planned for the Queen with her attendants must be approved by the Tribe.
- 13. The budget for the Queen will automatically be carried onto the term of the succeeding Queen Committee, unless otherwise approved.
- 14. The Queen should travel with the Princess at times, with the approval of the Queen Committee.
- 15. In the event that the Queen receives any personal invitations, she shall report them to the Queen Committee for decision and action.
- 16. A budget shall be established by the Tribe for the Queen, as well as employment position with the Apache Cultural Center. The Queen shall be paid mileage only in the event that she uses her personal vehicle within the rules otherwise set forth in these guidelines, and only if she is chaperoned by a Queen Committee member or other person approved by the Committee Chairman. The Queen shall also be paid a \$25.00 per diem expense for on-reservation trips, and \$35.00 per diem expense for off-reservation trips requested of her by the Queen Committee; PROVIDED, that said per diem amounts may be increased by the Committee in accordance with any increases in per diem rates by the Tribal Council for tribal employees on tribal business.
- 17. During the Tribal Fair, a booth shall be established for the Queen, and she shall be given recognition by introduction before any event, whenever feasible.
- 18. Telephone calls which are necessary on behalf of the Queen Committee may be made on personal telephones, and the Committee shall reimburse such telephone expenses upon verification of the phone calls with the monthly billing.
- 19. In the event that the Queen gets married while holding her title, she shall automatically forfeit her title, and the first Attendant shall succeed her to it.
- 20. In the event that a district Queen wins the title of Miss White Mountain Apache, she shall automatically forfeit her district title to her district first Attendant.
- 21. The Queen, her Attendants, and the Princess shall each pass on their respective crowns and banners to their successors in title.

- 22. The Queen shall not be compensated or reimbursed by the Committee for individual appearances personally chosen by her.
- 23. The Queen shall have her own choice of education, which choice shall not be directed, controlled or used by the Committee for any purposes adversly affecting her as Queen.
- 24. The current reigning Miss White Mountain Apache shall be given the first opportunity to compete for the Miss Indian America title at all times. In the event that a girl from the White Mountain Apache Tribe wishes on her own to compete for said title, she must first obtain the consent of the Queen Committee and the Tribe.
