

## **MEETING MINUTES**

The Election Board met on January 15, 2020 at 1:00 pm in the Ibaiachvffa (Membership) Conference Room #1251 at the Choctaw Nation Headquarters Building in Durant, Oklahoma.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson, Virginia Green.

The invocation was given by Member Alternate, Judy Ogle.

The Secretary, Candace Perkins, called the roll and the following individuals were present:

Virginia "Kay" Green, Chairperson Jane Parent, Member

Candace Perkins, Secretary Judy Ogle, Member Alternate

Jennifer Johnson, Secretary Alternate Kitty Halcomb, Member Alternate

Three (3) voting members of the Board answered roll call – a quorum was established.

Invited guests in attendance: Denise Lawson and Caroline Dennis with Glenn Coffee and Associates (GCA).

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Meeting Minutes from the August 15, 2019 Regular Meeting were provided for review to all Board Members and Alternates prior to this meeting.

Chairperson Green called for Approval of Minutes.

Member Parent made a Motion to Approve the Meeting Minutes from the August 15, 2019 Regular Meeting. — Seconded by Secretary Perkins.

Chairperson Green called for voice vote; MOTION PASSED.

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Chairperson Green gave the floor to Denise Lawson and Caroline Dennis with Glenn Coffee and Associates to introduce recommended changes to the Chief and Tribal Council Election Ordinance.

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The Board decided to recommend two options of the Article XXVI. Campaign Contribution Reporting to Tribal Council for a decision.

During open discussion the following motions were made:

- Member Parent made a motion to replace original form with option 2 of the Campaign Financial
   Disclosure Statement and add as Appendix Form I. Seconded by Secretary Perkins.
  - Chairperson Green called for voice vote; **MOTION PASSED**.
- Secretary Perkins made a motion to approve the revisions made to the Chief and Tribal Council Election
   Ordinance and for Glenn Coffee and Associates to send the revised ordinance to Whitten Burrage for review. Seconded by Member Parent.
  - Chairperson Green called for voice vote; MOTION PASSED.

#### SECRETARY'S REPORT

Chairperson Green called for the Secretary's Report.

Secretary Perkins provided the following information to the Board:

- Financial Updates including:
  - An overall financial snapshot of FY19 operating expenses for business unit.
  - o An overall financial snapshot of FY20 operating expenses for business unit.
- Operational Updates including:
  - An overview of current activities that are ongoing with the Voter Registration Department:
    - A paper copy of the letter used in the Voter Registration Mail Drive was provided for the Board's reference should they receive questions. VR released its annual mail drive on January 3, 2020 to 86,110 tribal members of voting age that have not updated or registered to vote.
    - A paper copy of the Quarterly Tribal Council Report FY20Q1 (dated January 7, 2020)
      was provided for the Board's interest. This report provides voter registration counts
      for each Council District.

Secretary Perkins led the open discussion regarding the following:

 A paper copy of the Meeting Calendar was provided to the Board for discussion and review. The board agreed to move meetings from Tuesdays to Wednesdays. The next scheduled meeting will be Wednesday, April 22, 2020.

# ADJOURNMENT

Member Parent made a Motion to Adjourn the Meeting. - Seconded by Secretary Perkins.

Chairperson Green called for voice vote; MOTION PASSED.

Meeting adjourned at 1:41 pm.

**Certification of Meeting Minutes:** 

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Candace Perkins
Secretary

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