



Choctaw Nation Election Board

MEETING MINUTES

The Election Board met on May 28, 2025, at 1:06 pm in the Ibaichvffa (Membership) Conference Room #1251 at the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma (CNO) Headquarters Building in Durant, Oklahoma, and by conference call.

The meeting was called to order by Chair, Virginia Kay Green.

Invocation was given by Alternate, Wayne Tipps Jr.

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

Virginia Kay Green, Chairperson

Jane Parent, Member (by phone)

Sylvia Sigler, Alternate

Wayne Tipps Jr, Alternate

Candace Perkins, Secretary

Jennifer Johnson-Williams, Secretary Alternate

The following individuals were absent: None.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Meeting Minutes from the May 28, 2025, Regular Meeting were provided for review to all Board Members and Alternates at this meeting. Minutes were emailed to those participating by conference call.

Chair Green called for Approval of Minutes.

Alternate Tipps Jr made a Motion to Approve the Meeting Minutes from the May 28, 2025, Regular Meeting. – Seconded by Alternate Sigler.

Chair Green called for voice vote; **MOTION PASSED.**

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.



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SECRETARY'S REPORT

Secretary Perkins provided the following information to the Board:

- Financial Updates including:
 - A summary financial snapshot of FY25 operating expenses for cost center.
 - Secretary Perkins asked the Election Board if anyone objected to the Board paying for a hotel room in Durant, OK for Jennifer Johnson-Williams during election weekend. Jennifer does not reside in the Durant, OK so the use of the room from Thursday through Sunday would allow her to focus more on election operations.
 - There were no objections from the Board.
 - A budget cycle timeline for planning the FY26 budget was provided.
- Strategic Updates including:
 - Election Management System (project with Information Technology):
 - On hold until after the 2025 election cycle.
- Operational Updates including:
 - Legal and Compliance:
 - On May 22, 2025, the Election Board received notification that Tribal Council District 7 candidate, Adrian Johnico, had passed away. Per the Election Ordinance, Article VII, Section 13 governs the Board's procedures in the event of the death of a candidate. It states that
'SECTION 13. In the event of the death of one or more of the candidates after the close of the candidate filing period, the Election Board shall have the authority to:...' (b) Certify the remaining candidate as the uncontested winner of the election, if only one candidate remains; or...'
 - Secretary Perkins made a Motion to Approve a Public Notice Declaring Joey D. Tom an Uncontested Winner for District 7, to be released on the Tribal Elections webpage on Monday, June 2, 2025. – Seconded by Alternate Tipps Jr.
Chair Green called for voice vote; **MOTION PASSED.**
 - Record Management:
 - No new updates.
 - Marketing and Communications:
 - The following public notices and information have been recently published to the Tribal Elections webpage:
 - None.
 - On May 22, 2025, Secretary Perkins contacted Marketing and Communications to update the Tribal Election Guide (Biskinik June Edition) and the Tribal Elections



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webpage with a respectful message regarding the passing of District 7 candidate, Adrian Johnico. This message will help make all voters aware of changes to the ballot for District 7.

- Information Technology:
 - No new updates.
- Voting Location Board:
 - The Board reviewed the Roots Catering Menu and discussed and determined the lunch options to be provided during the Voting Location Board training.
- Other Support Teams:
 - On May 23, 2025, Procurement notified Secretary Perkins that the bid waiver for the Purchase Requisition for Connections IT has been approved, and a contract request has been entered.
 - On May 27, 2025, Secretary Perkins emailed the Ballotpak eproof 1, reviewed by the Board at its last meeting, to Terry Rainey with Automated Election Services. The Secretary requested a final proof once all changes have been made.
- Election Board Meeting Schedule for CY2025 (Copy Provided):
 - Hotel rooming list: amended May 23, 2025 (Copy Provided)
 - Next meeting is Wednesday, June 4, 2025, at 1pm.
 - Upcoming information for candidates:
 - May 31, 2025 – Due date for Campaign Financial Disclosure Statements.
- An overview of current activities that are ongoing with the CNO Voter Registration (VR):
 - As of May 28, 2025, we have a total of 51,261 registered voters which is 28.31% of the tribal membership eligible to vote.

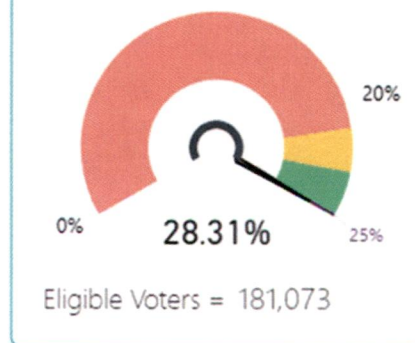


Voter Count by District

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Voting District	Out Of Nation	In Nation	Grand Total
1	551	739	1290
2	910	1135	2045
3	1232	868	2100
4	457	1741	2198
5	785	1182	1967
6	536	1200	1736
7	1152	1376	2528
8	1399	1411	2810
9	3044	2323	5367
10	683	1080	1763
11	1314	2129	3443
12	1080	942	2022
Unaffiliated	21992	0	21992
Grand Total	35135	16126	51261

Eligible Voters



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NEW BUSINESS

Chair Green called for new business.

Secretary Perkins made a Motion to Move into Executive Session. – Seconded by Alternate Sigler.

Chair Green called for voice vote; **MOTION PASSED**; start time: 1:24 pm.

Secretary Perkins made a Motion to Move out of Executive Session. – Seconded by Alternate Sigler.

Chair Green called for voice vote; **MOTION PASSED**; end time: 1:52 pm.

ADJOURNMENT

Secretary Perkins made a Motion to Adjourn the Meeting. – Seconded by Alternate Tipps Jr.

Chair Green called for voice vote; **MOTION PASSED**.

Meeting adjourned at 1:53 pm.

Certification of Meeting Minutes:

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Candace Perkins
Secretary

Candace Perkins
Approved 06-04-2025