



# Choctaw Nation Election Board

## MEETING MINUTES

The Election Board met on July 30, 2025, at 1:17 pm in the Ibaichvffa (Membership) Conference Room #1251 at the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma (CNO) Headquarters Building in Durant, Oklahoma.

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

Opening prayer 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

Sylvia Sigler, Alternate

Wayne Tipps Jr, Alternate

Candace Perkins, Secretary

The following individuals were absent: None

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

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## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

*The Meeting Minutes from June 18, 2025, and June 25, 2025, Regular Meetings were provided for review to all Board Members and Alternates at this meeting.*

Chair Green called for Approval of Minutes.

Alternate Sigler made a Motion to Approve the Meeting Minutes from June 18, 2025, Regular Meeting.  
– Seconded by Member Parent.

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

Member Parent made a Motion to Approve the Meeting Minutes from June 18, 2025, Regular Meeting.  
– Seconded by Alternate Sigler.

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



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## 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.
  - 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:
    - No new updates - On June 10, 2025, Secretary Perkins met with the Board's external legal attorney, Denise Lawson, to discuss document handling procedures for petitions to use with the Constitutional Amendment Procedures Code. A draft will be an ongoing legal project until it is finalized by the Secretary.
    - No new updates for Election Board Behavior and Conduct Policy.
      - Draft 1 was discussed on June 18, 2025, meeting; this will be an ongoing project for the year.
  - Record Management:
    - On July 25, 2025, Secretary Perkins emailed Benjamin Daniels, Bureau of Indian Affairs, to notify his office of the General Election Official Results and Public Notice of Special Runoff Election for Council District 5 (Copy Provided).
  - Marketing and Communications:
    - The following public notices and information have been recently published to the Tribal Elections webpage:
      - Election Board Meeting Minutes from June 11, 2025 (Pending Request).
    - Our point of contact with MARCOM has provided the following campaign deck to show our communications plan through the Special Runoff Election:



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## Run-Off Calendar

### August

- 7/21/25- **Social Post**- Mail-In Ballots have been sent
- 7/22/25- **Direct Email**- Mail-In
- 7/24/25- **Tribal Member Email**- Mail-in Ballot
- 7/28/25- Mail-in Reminder
  - Social
  - Direct Email
- 7/31/25- **Tribal Member Email**- Mail-in Ballot Reminder
- 8/7/25- **Social Post**- Voting Checklist & Locations
- 8/7/25- **Tribal Member Email**- Make Your Plan to Vote for District 5
- 8/8/25- **Social Post**- Early Run-off Voting
- 8/9/25- **Social Post**- General Run-off Voting
- 8/9/25 **after 8PM**- Unofficial Results Link
  - Social
  - Website
- 8/10/25- Unofficial Results PDF
  - Social
  - Website
- 8/13/25 **after 4:30PM**- **Run-off Official Election Results (Public Notice)**
  - Social
  - Website
- 8/14/25- **Tribal Member Email**- **Run-off Official Election Results (Public Notice)**

- Information Technology:
  - No new updates.

- Voting Location Board:
  - Most of the expense statements for Voting Location Board Members who worked during the General Election have been submitted and processed for payment.
  - Display and discuss Voting Location Board Assignment Grid for Special Runoff Election during meeting, which is 62% filled. (Copy of Assignments Provided)
  - On July 28, 2025, Secretary Perkins contacted Voting Location Board Members by email, who previously worked at the District 5 voting locations. The body of the email contained the following information:

Halito Choctaw Tribal Member,

You have been selected to serve on the Voting Location Board during the Special Runoff Election for Council District 5 held by the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma. Your service is important to our purpose of conducting an effective, efficient, and fair election.

The Election Board will be opening the Choctaw Community Centers in Spiro and Stigler again.





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You will work in the same location and the same role as you worked during the General Election. The current assignment grid is attached to this email for your reference. Secretary Perkins will contact you again if there are any updates to the grid.

Here are the following times to work (Link to Public Notice of Special Election: <https://www.choctawnation.com/wp-content/uploads/2025/07/2025official-general-election-results-and-special-election-district-5.pdf>):

- Early Voting – Aug 8, 2025, 8am – 4:30pm; arrive by 7:30am.
- Run Off Election- Aug 9, 2025, 7am – 7pm; arrive by 6:30am.

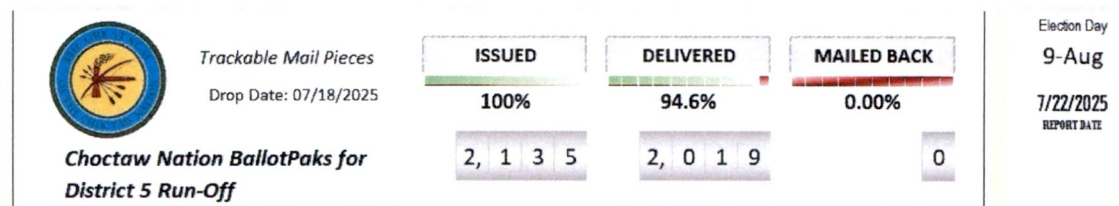
You will not have to attend another training meeting.

Secretary Perkins will contact all Inspectors by Thurs, Aug 7, 2025, by email to let each know if they have a Watcher on any of the voting days.

A blank expense statement is attached to this email for your use during Early Voting and Runoff Election. Make sure to complete the form, have the location inspector sign the form, and return a form for each day worked in the ballot transfer case.

If you are unable to fulfill your duties, please contact the Election Board Secretary immediately at 580-634-0679 or by email to [ElectionBoard@choctawnation.com](mailto:ElectionBoard@choctawnation.com). You may find the Election Board Secretary in the Voter Registration Suite #1252 at the Choctaw Nation Headquarters in Durant, OK.

- Other Support Teams:
  - On July 22, 2025, AES provided a BallotPak Delivery Report for the initial mail ballot distribution for the Special Runoff Election which had a deadline of Saturday, June 19, 2025. Remember that AES will mail ballots to new or updated voters through August 1, 2025.



- Secretary Perkins contacted Terry Rainey and his team at Automated Election Services via email on July 25, 2025, with a list of deliverables that were needed as soon as possible and the timeline for Runoff Election Weekend (Copy of Email Provided).
- Election Board Meeting Schedule for CY2025 (Copy Provided):
  - Hotel rooming list: amended July 29, 2025 (Copy Provided)



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- Next event(s) is Command Center set up on Thursday, August 7, 2025, at 8am in Hearing Room 1 at the CNO Judicial Building in Durant, OK.
  - Early Voting on Friday, August 8, 2025
  - Special Runoff Election for Council District 5 on Saturday, August 9, 2025
- Upcoming information for candidates:
  - July 31, 2025 – Campaign Financial Disclosure Statements are due (reporting period: 7/1/2025 – 7/31/2025); deadline to submit is 4:30 pm on August 5, 2025, before the Board must initiate an inquiry.
- An overview of current activities that are ongoing with the CNO Voter Registration (VR):
  - As of July 30, 2025, we have a total of 51,862 registered voters, which is 28.51% of the tribal membership eligible to vote.



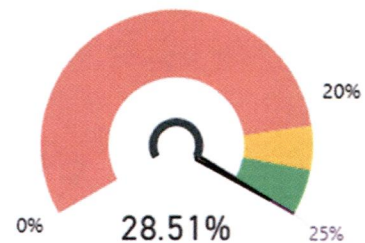
## Voter Count by District

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Voting District	Out Of Nation	In Nation	Grand Total
1	552	743	1295
2	912	1144	2056
3	1227	861	2088
4	464	1851	2315
5	866	1383	2249
6	532	1201	1733
7	1151	1373	2524
8	1396	1414	2810
9	3047	2337	5384
10	680	1083	1763
11	1311	2123	3434
12	1108	1040	2148
Unaffiliated	22063	0	22063
Grand Total	35309	16553	51862

### Eligible Voters



Eligible Voters = 181,897

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## NEW BUSINESS

None.



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## ADJOURNMENT

Alternate Sigler made a Motion to Adjourn the Meeting. – Seconded by Member Parent.

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

Meeting adjourned at 1:57 pm.

### Certification of Meeting Minutes:

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Candace Perkins  
Secretary

*Candace Perkins*  
*Approved 8-20-2025*