

MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING
MARCH 18, 2019
CHEROKEE NATION ELECTION COMMISSION

Call to order/Roll call of Commissioners:

The meeting of the Cherokee Nation Election Commission was called to order by Chairwoman Shawna Calico at 2:10 p.m.

Commissioner Carolyn Allen called roll and a quorum was established with the following commissioners:

Shawna Calico-- Chairwoman
Pamela Sellers-- Vice-Chair
Carolyn Allen-- Secretary
Rick Doherty-- Commissioner

Carolyn Allen made a motion which was seconded by Rick Doherty to approve the absence of Commissioner Randy Campbell who was not present due to being out of town but had notified the commission he would not be able to attend. The motion was approved by all.

Office staff present were Marcus Fears, Connie Parnell and Charlene Keys.

Attorney Harvey Chaffin was present.

Guests present were:

Deb Reed, Chad Hunter, Cheryl Brown, Brandon Girty, Larry Pritchett

Chairwoman Shawna Calico asked for discussion and/or approval of the minutes of the March 11th Special Meeting and the March 12th Regular Meeting. There being no discussion, Rick Doherty made a motion to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded by Pamela Sellers. The minutes were approved by all commissioners.

Shawna Calico----Yes
Pamela Sellers----Yes
Carolyn Allen-----Yes
Rick Doherty-----Yes

Chairwoman Shawna Calico asked for any items on **old business** to which there were none.

Current Items of Business were presented for discussion.

- a.) Consideration and possible action on the Certification of Eligibility of Candidates for the 2019 General Election pursuant to Cherokee Nation Supreme Court decisions:

The Election Commission received the Supreme Court Decision in the Case No. SC-2019-03 on the Challenge to the Eligibility of Buel Anglen, Candidate for Council District 13 for the 2019 General Election. The ruling of the Court's finding is that Buel Anglen is ineligible to run as a candidate in the 2019 General Election be affirmed. A motion was made by Rick Doherty and seconded by Pamela Sellers to deny the eligibility of Candidate Buel Anglen for Council for District 13 based on

the Supreme Court Decision Case No. SC-2019-03 and to send a letter of notice of the Election Commission's decision to Mr. Anglen. The motion was approved by all commissioners present. (Attachments #1)

Shawna Calico---- Yes
Pamela Sellers----Yes
Carolyn Allen-----Yes
Rick Doherty-----Yes

Chairwoman Shawna Calico read the list of eligible and not eligible candidates for the 2019 General Election. A motion was made by Pamela Sellers and seconded by Rick Doherty to approve the eligible candidates. The motion was approved by all commissioners present. (Attachment #2)

Shawna Calico---- Yes
Pamela Sellers---- Yes
Carolyn Allen----- Yes
Rick Doherty----- Yes

A motion was made by Pamela Sellers and seconded by Rick Doherty to deny the eligibility of Buel Anglen for District 13 Council and Rhonda Brown-Fleming for Chief as candidates for the 2019 General Election and to send notice to each of the decision of the Election Commission based on Supreme Court Decisions. (Attachment #3)

Shawna Calico----Yes
Pamela Sellers----Yes
Carolyn Allen-----Yes
Rick Doherty-----Yes

A motion was made by Rick Doherty and seconded by Pamela Sellers to approved the eligibility list be posted on the website. The motion was approved by all commissioners present.

Shawna Calico-----Yes
Pamela Sellers-----Yes
Carolyn Allen-----Yes
Rick Doherty-----Yes

b.) Consideration and possible action on approving the ballot styles for the 2019 General Election:

Election Director Connie Parnell presented ballot styles to the commission in preparation for printing of ballots. No specific names were on the ballot styles presented. After discussion, a motion was made by Pamela Sellers and seconded by Rick Doherty to approve the ballot styles with the following amendments:

- (1) Remove one candidate position for Chief from the ballot style
- (2) Remove one candidate position for District 13 Council from the ballot style
- (3) Add the number 11 to District #11 South Coffeyville ballot style

The motion was approved by all commissioners present.

Shawna Calico----- Yes
Pamela Sellers----- Yes
Carolyn Allen-----Yes
Rick Doherty----- Yes

c.) Consideration and possible action on drawing for Candidate order on the ballot for the 2019 General Election:

Administrator Marcus Fears presented a list of all candidate names to be placed in the drawing for ballot order. Names for each candidate were drawn for ballot order. Marcus Fears read each name as it was placed for drawing. Office staff drew the names and they were shown to all in attendance. Chairwoman Shawna Calico read the final list of how names will appear on the ballot in the order drawn. Pamela Sellers made a motion which was seconded by Rick Doherty to approve the ballot order for the 2019 General Election. The motion was approved by all commissioners. (Attachment #4)

Shawna Calico-----Yes
Pamela Sellers-----Yes
Carolyn Allen----- Yes
Rick Doherty----- Yes

d.) Consideration and possible action on drawing for Watchers for the 2019 General Election:

Chairwoman Shawna Calico announced there were no names submitted by any candidates for watchers for the precincts, no names submitted by any candidates for watchers for Chief, Deputy and none for Districts 1, 8, 12 and At Large. It was announced we would draw names for watchers for District 3 and that Districts 6 and 14 would be automatic based on names submitted. The explanation for this is that some names were submitted more than once and already drawn and the amount of names submitted for Districts 6 and 14 were limited which made those names subject to automation.

The names of watchers submitted by candidates for absentee verification on each of the days were presented and drawn. A list of names were read specific to the date each would serve in that capacity. A motion was made by Rick Doherty which was seconded by Pamela Sellers to approve the Watcher List for the 2019 General Election. The motion was approved by all commissioners present. (Attachment #5)

Shawna Calico-----Yes
Pamela Sellers-----Yes
Carolyn Allen-----Yes
Rick Doherty----- Yes

Executive Session:

There was no executive session held.

Announcements:

There were no announcements.

Adjourn:

Rick Doherty made a motion to adjourn at 3:38 p.m.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Carolyn Allen". The signature is fluid and cursive, with "Carolyn" on the top line and "Allen" on the bottom line.

Minutes submitted by Carolyn Allen, Secretary
Cherokee Nation Election Commission

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Pam Sellers, Vice Chairperson

Carolyn Allen, Secretary / Treasurer

Randy Campbell, Commissioner

Rick Doherty, Commissioner

March 18, 2019

Buel Anglen

buel@buelanglen.com

Dear Mr. Anglen:

In accordance with Legislative Act 12-16 §36 (C), The Cherokee Nation Election Commission is issuing this letter to inform you that after the investigative process was completed, your eligibility was denied for the Cherokee Nation 2019 General Election, based on the Cherokee Nation Supreme Court decision in CASE NO.: SC-2019-03.

Sincerely,

Shawna Calico

Shawna Calico, Chairperson

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2019 Candidate Certification of Eligibility

Dist	Candidate	Approve	Deny
Chief	Rhonda Brown-Fleming		✓
Chief	Chuck Hoskin, Jr.	✓	
Chief	Dick Lay	✓	
Chief	David Walkingstick	✓	
Deputy	Meredith Frailey	✓	
Deputy	Bryan Warner	✓	
1	Rex Jordan	✓	
1	Ryan Sierra	✓	
3	Jim Cosby	✓	
3	Billy Flint	✓	
3	Brandon Girty	✓	
3	Wes Nofire	✓	
3	Larry Dean Pritchett	✓	
3	Debra Proctor	✓	
3	RJ Robbins	✓	
6	Ron Goff	✓	
6	Gary Trad Lattimore	✓	
6	Daryl Legg	✓	
8	Shawn Crittenden	✓	
8	Jodi Fishinghawk	✓	
8	Ralph F. Keen II	✓	
12	Todd M. Branstetter	✓	
12	Phyllis Lay	✓	
12	Dora L. Smith Patzkowski	✓	
12	Don Scott	✓	
13	Buel Anglen		✓

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13	Joe Deere	✓	
14	Keith Austin	✓	
14	Cara Cowan Watts	✓	
AL	Steve Adair	✓	
AL	Julia Coates	✓	
AL	Pamela Fox	✓	
AL	Wanda Hatfield	✓	
AL	Johnny Jack Kidwell	✓	

We the Commission have certified the eligibility of the candidates for the 2019 General Election.

Dated this 18 day of March, 2019.

Shawna Calico

Shawna Calico, Chairperson

Pamela Sellers

Pamela Sellers, Vice Chairperson

Carolyn Allen

Carolyn Allen, Secretary/Treasurer

Randy Campbell, Commissioner

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Rick Doherty, Commissioner



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Randy Campbell, Commissioner

Rick Doherty, Commissioner

March 12, 2019

Rhonda Brown-Fleming

rhondab7@yahoo.com

Dear Ms. Brown-Fleming:

In accordance with Legislative Act 12-16 §36 (C), The Cherokee Nation Election Commission is issuing this letter to inform you that after the investigative process was completed, your eligibility was denied for the Cherokee Nation 2019 General Election, based on the Cherokee Nation Supreme Court decision in CASE NO.: SC-2019-02.

Sincerely,

Shawna Calico, Chairperson

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CANDIDATES FOR 2019 GENERAL ELECTION

Principal Chief

- 1 Chuck Hoskin, Jr.
- 2 Dick Lay
- 3 David Walkingstick

Deputy Principal Chief

- 2 Meredith Frailey
- 1 Bryan Warner

District 1

- 2 Rex Jordan
- 1 Ryan Sierra

District 3

- 3 Jim Cosby
- 5 Billy Flint
- 4 Brandon Girty
- 7 Wes Nofire
- 6 Larry Dean Pritchett
- 2 Debra Proctor
- 1 RJ Robbins

District 6

- 1 Ron Goff
- 2 Gary Trad Lattimore
- 3 Daryl Legg

District 8

- 3 Shawn Crittenden
- 2 Jodie Fishinghawk
- 1 Ralph F. Keen II

District 12

- 4 Todd M. Branstetter
- 2 Phyllis Lay
- 3 Dora L. Smith Patzkowski
- 1 Don Scott

District 13

Joe Deere

District 14

- 2 Keith Austin
- 1 Cara Cowan Watts

At-Large

- 1 Steve Adair
- 3 Julia Coates
- 5 Pamela Fox
- 4 Wanda Hatfield
- 2 Johnny Jack Kidwell

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District 13

Joe Deere

District 14

Cara Cowan Watts

Keith Austin

At-Large

Steve Adair

Johnny Jack Kidwell

Julia Coates

Wanda Hatfield

Pamela Fox

Dated this 18 day of March, 2019.

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DISTRICT 3 WATCHER NOMINATIONS

Tahlequah Precinct

<u>Candidate</u>	<u>Watcher</u>	<u>Alternate</u>	<u>Alternate</u>
Wes Nofire	Sara Drywater-WN	Molly Nofire-WN Alt 1	Madison Thomas-WN Alt 2
Jim Cosby	Marcus Thompson-JC	Jim Mankiller-JC Alt 1	John Foreman-JC Alt 2

Keys Precinct

<u>Candidate</u>	<u>Watcher</u>	<u>Alternate</u>	<u>Alternate</u>
Wes Nofire	Sherman Nofire-WN	Karyn Nofire	April Nofire
Larry Dean Pritchett	Connie Jeffrey-LDP	<i>No Selection</i>	<i>No Selection</i>

DISTRICT 6 WATCHER NOMINATIONS

Sallisaw Precinct

<u>Candidate</u>	<u>Watcher</u>	<u>Alternate</u>	<u>Alternate</u>
Daryl Legg	Robert Stewart	<i>No Selection</i>	<i>No Selection</i>

Bellfonte Precinct

<u>Candidate</u>	<u>Watcher</u>	<u>Alternate</u>	<u>Alternate</u>
Daryl Legg	<i>No Selection</i>	<i>No Selection</i>	<i>No Selection</i>

Marble City Precinct

<u>Candidate</u>	<u>Watcher</u>	<u>Alternate</u>	<u>Alternate</u>
Daryl Legg	<i>No Selection</i>	<i>No Selection</i>	<i>No Selection</i>

Muldrow Precinct

<u>Candidate</u>	<u>Watcher</u>	<u>Alternate</u>	<u>Alternate</u>
Daryl Legg	<i>No Selection</i>	<i>No Selection</i>	<i>No Selection</i>

DISTRICT 14 WATCHER NOMINATIONS

Claremore Precinct

<u>Candidate</u>	<u>Watcher</u>	<u>Alternate</u>	<u>Alternate</u>
Keith Austin	Carolyn Zuniga	<i>No Selection</i>	<i>No Selection</i>

Chelsea Precinct

<u>Candidate</u>	<u>Watcher</u>	<u>Alternate</u>	<u>Alternate</u>
Keith Austin	Debra West	<i>No Selection</i>	<i>No Selection</i>

Oologah Precinct

<u>Candidate</u>	<u>Watcher</u>	<u>Alternate</u>	<u>Alternate</u>
Keith Austin	Celeste Tillery	<i>No Selection</i>	<i>No Selection</i>

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IN PERSON ABSENTEE VOTING WATCHER NOMINATIONS

SATURDAY, MAY 25, 2019

<u>Candidate</u>	<u>Watcher</u>	<u>Alternate</u>	<u>Alternate</u>
Wes Nofire	Sherman Nofire-WN	No Selection	No Selection
Meredith Frailey	Paul Thompson-MF	Brinley Hutson-MF Alt 1	No Selection

TUESDAY, MAY 28, 2019

<u>Candidate</u>	<u>Watcher</u>	<u>Alternate</u>	<u>Alternate</u>
Wes Nofire	Lorene Adams-WN	No Selection	No Selection
Meredith Frailey	Brinley Hutson-MF	Paul Thompson-MF Alt 1	No Selection

WEDNESDAY, MAY 29, 2019

<u>Candidate</u>	<u>Watcher</u>	<u>Alternate</u>	<u>Alternate</u>
Wes Nofire	Molly Nofire-WN	No Selection	No Selection

THURSDAY, MAY 30, 2019

<u>Candidate</u>	<u>Watcher</u>	<u>Alternate</u>	<u>Alternate</u>
Wes Nofire	Madison Adams-WN	No Selection	No Selection

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ABSENTEE VERIFICATION WATCHER NOMINATIONS

TUESDAY, MAY 28, 2019

<u>Candidate</u>	<u>Watcher</u>	<u>Alternate</u>	<u>Alternate</u>
RJ Robbins	Rebecca Robbins-RR	No Selection	No Selection
Todd M. Branstetter	Jason Aamodt-TB	Adam McCreary-TB Alt 1	No Selection

WEDNESDAY, MAY 29, 2019

<u>Candidate</u>	<u>Watcher</u>	<u>Alternate</u>	<u>Alternate</u>
RJ Robbins	Holly Davis-RR	No Selection	No Selection
Bryan Warner	Laurie Phillips-BW	Todd Enlow-BW Alt 1	No Selection

THURSDAY, MAY 30, 2019

<u>Candidate</u>	<u>Watcher</u>	<u>Alternate</u>	<u>Alternate</u>
Larry Dean Pritchett	Karen Vance-LDP	No Selection	No Selection
RJ Robbins	Cary Weir-RR	No Selection	No Selection

FRIDAY, MAY 31, 2019

<u>Candidate</u>	<u>Watcher</u>	<u>Alternate</u>	<u>Alternate</u>
Larry Dean Pritchett	Clarissa Wofford-LDP	No Selection	No Selection
Gary Trad Lattimore	Trey Rousey-GTL	No Selection	No Selection

SATURDAY, JUNE 1, 2019

<u>Candidate</u>	<u>Watcher</u>	<u>Alternate</u>	<u>Alternate</u>
Gary Trad Lattimore	Brent Rousey-GTL	No Selection	No Selection
Bryan Warner	Chad Harsha-BW	Jim Long-BW Alt 1	John Young-BW Alt 2

Cherokee Nation Election Commission

Special Meeting Sign-in Sheet

March 18, 2019 2:00 PM

Print Name

Signature

Chad Hunter
Delvinia Tree
Trotter Hill
Cherry Creek

John W. Reed
of the Board

Others attend who did not sign in:

Brandon Girtley
Larry Pritchett