



CHEROKEE NATION ELECTION COMMISSION

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AGENDA SPECIAL MEETING

April 13th, 2021

4:00 P.M.

- I. Call to order
- II. Roll call
- III. Approval of Minutes from the March 29th Special Meeting
- IV. Administrator's Report
- V. Election Director's Report
- VI. Attorney's Report
- VII. Old Business-None
- VIII. Current Items
 - a. Consideration and possible action on election workers.
- IX. Executive Session
 - a. Confidential discussion with attorney on pending litigation, claims, investigations or protests
 - b. Personnel
 - c. Exit Executive Session
- X. Action from Executive Session
- XI. Announcements
- XII. Adjourn

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Cherokee Nation Election Office
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Tahlequah, OK 74464

Chairperson: Shawna Calico

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Special Meeting Minutes

April 13th, 2021

I. Call to order

- The Special Meeting of the Cherokee Nation Election Commission for April 13th, 2021 was called to order by Chairperson Shawna Calico at 4:23pm

II. Roll call

- Election Commission Secretary Rick Doherty called roll and a quorum was established with the following Commissioners present:

Shawna Calico – Chairperson
Pamela Sellers – Vice Chairperson
Rick Doherty – Secretary/Treasurer
Randy Campbell – Commissioner
Elizabeth Ballew – Commissioner

- Office staff present was: Connie Parnell & Marcus Fears
- Election Commission Attorney Harvey Chaffin was present

III. Approval of Minutes

- Chairperson Shawna Calico asked for approval and/or discussion regarding the minutes of the March 29th Special Meeting. Pam Sellers made a motion seconded by Elizabeth Ballew to approve the minutes. The motion was approved by all Commissioners.

IV. Administrator's Report

- Marcus Fears gave a report that detailed voter registration statistics and reported on the upcoming events on the Election Timeline for April and May. Pam Sellers made a motion seconded by Elizabeth Ballew to approve the Administrator's Report. The motion was approved by all Commissioners. **(Attachment 1)**

V. Election Director's Report

- Connie Parnell gave a report over Precinct Official trainings, election set up/supplies and tracking absentee requests. Randy Campbell made a motion seconded by Pam Sellers to approve the Election Director's Report. The motion was approved by all Commissioners. **(Attachment 2)**



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VI. Attorney's Report

- Election Commission Attorney Harvey Chaffin reported on pending litigation. Pam Sellers made a motion seconded by Elizabeth Ballew to approve the Attorney's Report. The motion was approved by all Commissioners.

VII. Old Business

- None

VIII. Current Items

- Consideration and possible action on election workers.
 - i. There was no action taken on this item.

IX. Executive Session

- There was no Executive Session

X. Action from Executive Session

XI. Announcements

XII. Adjourn

- Pam Sellers made a motion to adjourn at 5:36pm. The meeting was adjourned.

Minutes submitted by Rick Doherty, Secretary/Treasurer



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Attachment #1

April 13, 2021 Administrators Report

Marcus Fears Administrator
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I. OFFICE:

I reported February being busy. It's just a warm up for what March always brings. A big thanks to all staff and Commissioners that helped us get stickers on files, alphabetized, filed, verified and entered the over 4200 forms we processed in March (1872 from Mar 29-31). 5,034 total applications were processed in last year's Chief election in March for comparison.

(3,632-Mar '17)

Upcoming events on our Timeline:

April 16 – Absentee Ballot Request Deadline and expecting candidate drops

April 27 & 28 – Mail out Absentee Ballots

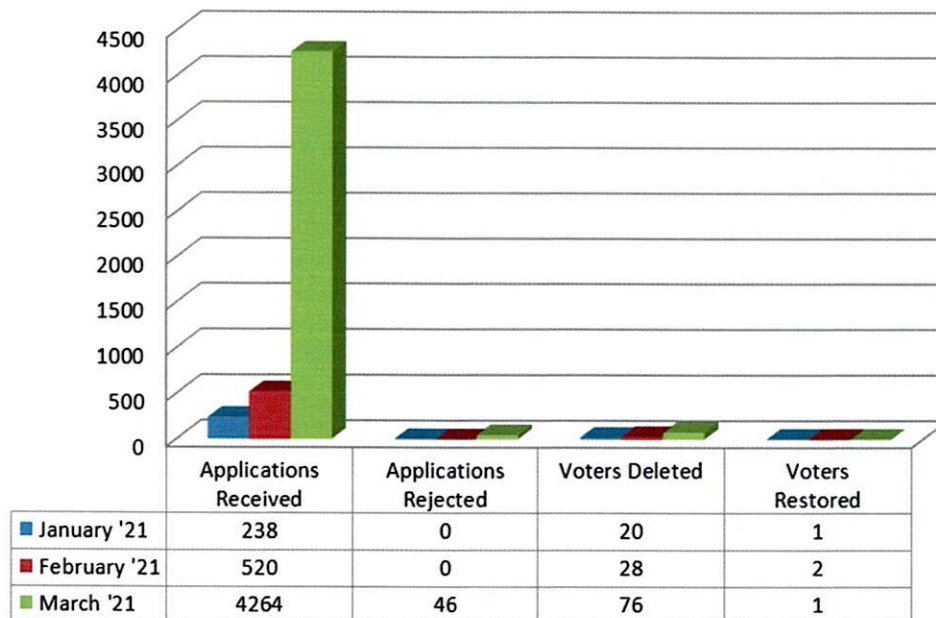
May 29, Jun 1, 2 & 3 – Early Walk-In

II. VOTER PROCESSING: As of 04/8/2021

75,543 Total Registered Voters; **43,469** In-District; **32,074** At-Large

4,264 Total Applications – **2,475** Voter Registrations, **1,789** Absentee Requests

Voter Registration Statistics



A. Statistical Report:

*Detailed Data by District and Precinct is attached

III. FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS:

FY21 is on target. Starting next month we'll be looking at preparing the FY22 budget.

Chronicle- Voter Registration by District and Precinct

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District	Precinct	Voters
Dist No. 9 Saline	Kenwood	168
	Salina (9)	558
	Total for District	2,929
Dist No. 10 Delaware	Afton	626
	Grove	759
	Jay (10)	877
	Pryor (10)	552
	Salina (10)	203
	Spavinaw	181
Total for District	3,198	
Dist No. 11 Cooweescoowee - North	S. Coffeyville	478
	Vinita	1,948
	Welch	136
Total for District	2,562	
Dist No. 12 Cooweescoowee - West	Bartlesville	1,667
	Nowata	716
	Skiatook	132
Total for District	2,515	
Dist No. 13 Gadusi	Catoosa	349
	Collinsville	962
	Tulsa	1,842
Total for District	3,153	
Dist No. 14 Cooweescoowee - Central	Chelsea	567
	Claremore (14)	2,538
	Oologah	441
Total for District	3,546	
Dist No. 15 Cooweescoowee - South	Claremore (15)	862
	Locust Grove	935
	Pryor (15)	945
	Salina (15)	52
Total for District	2,794	
At Large	At Large	32,074
Total for District	32,074	
Grand Total	75,543	

<u>District</u>	<u>Precinct</u>	<u>Voters</u>
Dist No. 1 Hulbert	Hulbert	1,236
	Okay	302
	Tahlequah (1)	1,542
Total for District		3,080
Dist No. 2 Tahlequah	Briggs	275
	Lowrey	259
	Tahlequah (2)	2,520
Total for District		3,054
Dist No. 3 Tenkiller	Keys	948
	Tahlequah (3)	1,797
Total for District		2,745
Dist No. 4 Three Rivers	Ft. Gibson	1,095
	Muskogee	584
	Warner	779
Total for District		2,458
Dist No. 5 Redbird	Gore	382
	Sallisaw (5)	628
	Vian	1,204
Total for District		2,214
Dist No. 6 Sequoyah	Belfonte	118
	Marble City	171
	Muldrow	1,648
	Sallisaw (6)	1,659
Total for District		3,596
Dist No. 7 Flint	Cave Springs	299
	Chewey	97
	Stilwell (7)	2,677
	Westville (7)	717
Total for District		3,790
Dist No. 8 Goingsnake	Bell	271
	Stilwell (8)	1,080
	Westville (8)	484
Total for District		1,835
Dist No. 9 Saline	Jay (9)	744
	Kansas	1,459



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March 2021

The month of March was very full with voter registration, Absentee requests, election supplies, and Precinct official training preparations. Trainings will be in Vinita, Jay, and Tahlequah. Precinct officials must come to a training session if they want to work. Some of the sessions are filling up fast others are only a few. But only a small amount has been scheduled for training sessions. We will have training finished by May 15th, the next weekend is Memorial weekend and you know they won't want to come that weekend.

Election set up is to the point the ballots are here in the office for distribution in April and the precinct ballots are her in the office. I still need to pack Election Day supplies, and do live ballot testing and predefine the precinct voting equipment.

The 16th is the last day to request an absentee ballot, and if they bring in the same amount of ABRF's as they brought in of VR forms we are in for a few late nights before the absentee ballots can be packed and portaged to mail out on the 26th of April. I am keeping a close eye on the numbers of requests for the different districts request numbers. So far there are plenty of Absentee ballots ordered, as is for regular ballots.

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 REGULAR MEETING

XSPECIAL MEETING

COMMISSION PRESIDED BY: Shawna Calico

MEETING DATE: 4-13 at AM/PM at the CNEC Office

Commission Member: Present/Absent

Shawna Calico

PPresent/Absent

Pamela Sellers

PPresent/Absent

Randy Campbell

PPresent/Absent

Rick Doherty

PPresent/Absent

Elizabeth Ballew

PPresent/Absent

Quorum Established:

YES / NO

CNEC Attorney: Harvey Chaffin ☒

Staff Present: ☒ Marcus Fears ☒ Connie Parnell ☐ Kendal Bishop ☒ Charlene Keys

Visitors:
