



CHEROKEE NATION ELECTION COMMISSION

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AGENDA REGULAR MEETING

November 10th, 2020

4:00 P.M.

- I. Call to order
- II. Roll call
- III. Approval of Minutes from the October 13th Regular 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 regarding Press Releases used for the 2021 General Election
 - b. Consideration and possible action on documents in the Candidate Filing Packet and all Official Forms used in the 2021 election cycle
 - c. Consideration and possible action on renewing Election Commission Attorney's contract for FY2021
- 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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October 30, 2020 by 4:00 PM
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Chairperson: Shawna Calico

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Regular Meeting Minutes

November 10th, 2020

I. Call to order

- The Regular Meeting of the Cherokee Nation Election Commission for November 10th, 2020 was called to order by Vice-Chairperson Pamela Sellers at 4:00pm
- Vice-Chair Pamela Sellers asked for a motion to allow Chairperson Shawna Calico to attend by phone. Elizabeth Ballew made a motion seconded by Rick Doherty to allow Chairperson Calico to attend by phone. The motion was approved by all Commissioners.

II. Roll call

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

Shawna Calico – Chairperson by phone

Pamela Sellers – Vice Chairperson

Rick Doherty – Secretary/Treasurer

Randy Campbell – Commissioner

Elizabeth Ballew – Commissioner

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

III. Approval of Minutes

- Vice-Chairperson Pamela Sellers asked for approval and/or discussion regarding the minutes of the October 13th Regular Meeting. Randy Campbell 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 which included updates on voter registration statistics and an update on reporting at the Rules Committee Meeting in October. Randy Campbell made a motion seconded by Elizabeth Ballew to approve the Administrator's Report. The motion was approved by all Commissioners.

(Attachment 1)



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V. Election Director's Report

- Connie Parnell gave a verbal report over working on precincts as well working on the forms and press releases that she will present in today's meeting. Randy Campbell made a motion seconded by Elizabeth Ballew to approve the Election Director's Report. The motion was approved by all Commissioners.

VI. Attorney's Report

- Election Commission Attorney Harvey Chaffin reported that there was nothing new and no pending litigation.

VII. Old Business

- None

VIII. Current Items

- Consideration and possible action regarding Press Releases used for the 2021 General Election.
 - i. Discussion was held. Randy Campbell made a motion seconded by Elizabeth Ballew to approve the Press Releases for the 2021 General Election. The motion was approved by all Commissioners.
- Consideration and possible action on documents in the Candidate Filing Packet and all Official forms used in the 2021 election cycle.
 - i. Discussion was held on each item in the Candidate Filing Packet. Elizabeth Ballew made a motion seconded by Randy Campbell to approve the documents in the Candidate Filing Packet with a couple small adjustments to be made. The motion was approved by all Commissioners. Discussion was then held about each Official Form used in the 2021 election cycle. A motion was made by Randy Campbell and seconded by Elizabeth Ballew to table the approval of the Forms until some updates were made. The Forms would then be brought back for approval in the next meeting. The motion was approved by all Commissioners.
- Consideration and possible action on renewing Election Commission Attorney's contract for FY2021.
 - i. After discussion was held and a suggested change by Mr. Chaffin, Rick Doherty made a motion seconded by Randy Campbell to table approving the contract until a change could be made. The Contract would then be brought back for review in the next meeting. The motion was approved by all Commissioners.

IX. Executive Session



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- There was no Executive Session

X. **Action from Executive Session**

- None

XI. **Announcements**

XII. **Adjourn**

- Randy Campbell made a motion to adjourn at 5:52pm. The meeting was adjourned.

Minutes submitted by Rick Doherty, Secretary/Treasurer



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Attachment #1
November 10, 2020 Administrators Report

Marcus Fears Administrator
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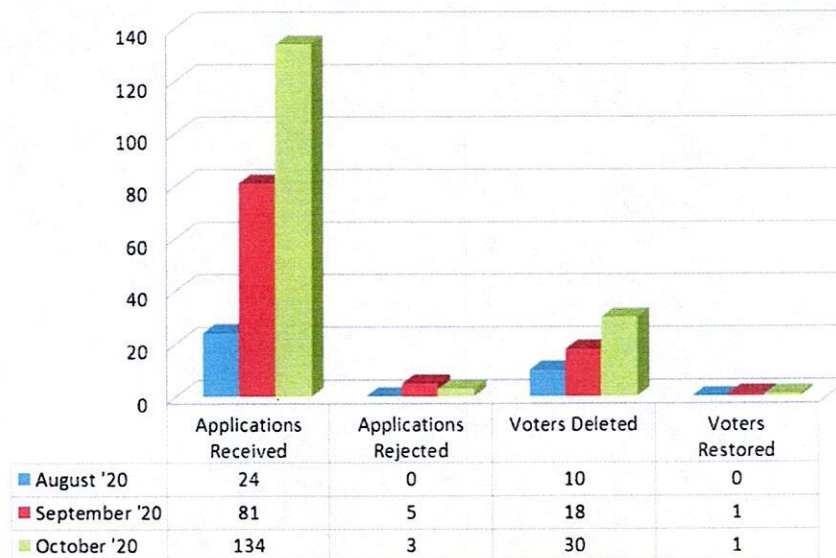
I. OFFICE:

The Policy Committee met to review forms and filing packet material to present in the October meeting. After some discussion and recommended changes, the Policy Committee met once again to review the changes that were made and present the forms and documents you have in front of you today. I reported in Rules in October. After I completed my report, I got off the call only to realize that Councilor Coates later asked a question regarding how we were preparing to handle the election should we still be in a global pandemic with COVID-19. Once I was aware a question was asked, I contacted Taralee to see if the moment had passed or if I needed to call back in. She said the moment had passed and she would have Councilor Coates contact us by email with any questions she had. To date I have not received any questions from Councilor Coates via email.

II. VOTER PROCESSING: As of 11/3/2020

74,011 Total Registered Voters; 42,197 In-District; 31,814 At-Large

Voter Registration Statistics



A. Statistical Report:

*Detailed Data by District and Precinct is attached

III. VOTER OUTREACH:

Due to COVID-19, all travel and Voter Outreach has been postponed until further notice.

IV. FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS:

FY21 is only beginning but on target.

<u>District</u>	<u>Precinct</u>	<u>Voters</u>
District No. 1	Hulbert	1,237
	Okay	299
	Tahlequah (1)	1,543
	Total for District	3,079
District No. 2	Briggs	235
	Lowrey	244
	Tahlequah (2)	2,428
	Total for District	2,907
District No. 3	Keys	954
	Tahlequah (3)	1,802
	Total for District	2,756
District No. 4	Ft. Gibson	1,078
	Muskogee	545
	Warner	730
	Total for District	2,353
District No. 5	Gore	332
	Sallisaw (5)	614
	Vian	1,145
	Total for District	2,091
District No. 6	Belfonte	120
	Marble City	173
	Muldrow	1,649
	Sallisaw (6)	1,651
	Total for District	3,593
District No. 7	Cave Springs	283
	Chewey	85
	Stilwell (7)	2,552
	Westville (7)	706
	Total for District	3,626
District No. 8	Bell	272
	Stilwell (8)	1,091
	Westville (8)	485
	Total for District	1,848
District No. 9	Jay (9)	677
	Kansas	1,305

District	Precinct	Voters
District No. 9	Kenwood	131
	Salina (9)	545
	Total for District	2,658
District No. 10	Afton	610
	Grove	720
	Jay (10)	805
	Pryor (10)	548
	Salina (10)	200
	Spavinaw	166
	Total for District	3,049
District No. 11	S. Coffeyville	468
	Vinita	1,787
	Welch	136
	Total for District	2,391
District No. 12	Bartlesville	1,660
	Nowata	714
	Skiatook	132
	Total for District	2,506
District No. 13	Catoosa	343
	Collinsville	961
	Tulsa	1,833
	Total for District	3,137
District No. 14	Chelsea	565
	Claremore (14)	2,532
	Oologah	439
	Total for District	3,536
District No. 15	Claremore (15)	854
	Locust Grove	880
	Pryor (15)	878
	Salina (15)	55
	Total for District	2,667
At Large	At Large	31,814
Total for District		31,814
Grand Total		74,011