



CHEROKEE NATION ELECTION COMMISSION

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ELECTION COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

Thursday, June 4th, 2026

9:30 AM

- I. Call to order
- II. Roll call/ Approval of absent members to attend by phone if necessary
- III. Approval of Minutes from the May 12th Special Meeting
- IV. Administrator's Report
- V. Election Director's Report
- VI. Attorney's Report
- VII. Old Business
- VIII. Current Items
 - a. Consideration and possible action regarding election forms.
 - b. Consideration and possible action on Commissioner Precinct selection for the 2027 Election Cycle.
- 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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May 22, 2026 by 5:00 PM

Cherokee Nation Election Office

17763 S. Muskogee Ave

Tahlequah, OK 74464

Chairperson: Rick Doherty

Posted by: _____



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ELECTION COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, June 4, 2026

9:30 AM

Call to order

The Regular Meeting of the Cherokee Nation Election Commission was called to order by Vice Chairperson Cheryl Cooper at 9:30am.

Roll call/Approval of absent members to attend by phone if necessary

Sherry Reynolds made a motion, which was seconded by Cheryl Cooper to allow Rick Doherty to attend by phone. The motion was approved by all Commissioners.

Rick Doherty, Chairperson – Present by phone

Cheryl Cooper, Vice Chairperson - Present

Pamela Sellers, Secretary/Treasurer - Present

Sherry Reynolds, Commissioner - Present

Debra Proctor, Commissioner - Present

Harvey Chaffin, Election Commission Attorney - Present

Office Staff Present – Connie Parnell & Paige Crow

Approval of Minutes

Vice Chairperson Cheryl Cooper asked for approval and/or discussion regarding the minutes of the May 12th Special Meeting. Sherry Reynolds made a motion, which was seconded by Debra Proctor to approve the May 12th Special Meeting minutes. The motion was approved by all Commissioners.

Administrator's Report

The Administrator was out on leave and left his report that he and Connie had been on Team's calls regarding Election Law as well as noting areas such as forms, timelines and processes the new laws may affect. Sherry Reynolds made a motion, which was seconded by Debra Proctor to approve the Administrator's Report. The motion was approved by all Commissioners.

(Attachment 1)



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Election Director's Report

The Election Director passed out forms and contracts for review. Some forms will need updating, but many will not. She also reported that there would need to be a work session for the mail absentee documents. Sherry Reynolds made a motion, which was seconded by Debra Proctor to approve the Election Director's Report. The motion was approved by all Commissioners.

(Attachment 2)

Attorney's Report

Nothing to report.

Old Business

Current Items

- a. Consideration and possible action regarding election forms.
Connie presented the new voter registration form and precinct questionnaire for approval. She also presented the updated facility agreement changed by Contracts to include new Election Law language regarding being open for a full 12-hour period. Debra Proctor made a motion, which was seconded by Sherry Reynolds to approve the forms presented. The motion was approved by all Commissioners.
- b. Consideration and possible action on Commissioner Precinct selection for the 2027 Election Cycle.
After some discussion, Sherry Reynolds made a motion, which was seconded by Debra Proctor to Table the precinct selections and all agreed to a Special Meeting June 11 at 11:30am. The motion was approved by all Commissioners.

Executive Session

Action from Executive Session

Announcements

There were questions regarding Committees and a reminder to review the forms handed out at the meeting.



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Adjourn

Debra Proctor made a motion, which was seconded by Sherry Reynolds to adjourn at 10:15am. The motion was approved by all Commissioners.

Minutes submitted by Pamela Sellers, Secretary/Treasurer

Pamela Sellers



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ADMINISTRATORS REPORT

Thursday, June 4th, 2026

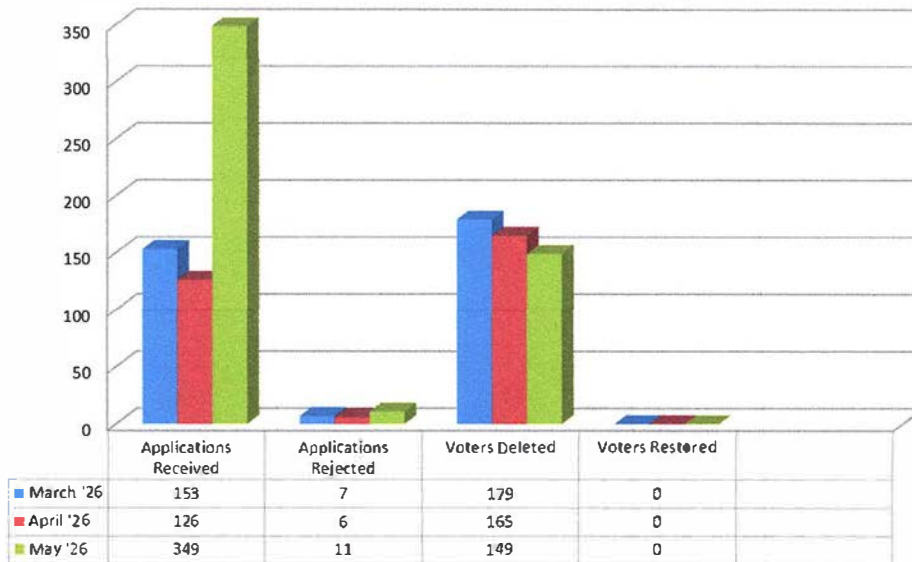
OFFICE

In May, Connie and I spent some time on Teams calls with the Council workgroup as they explained proposed election law changes to the various branches of government. We believe they did a wonderful job of considering all changes brought to their attention. Some items they felt needed more time for review and possible implementation during a mid-term election and other items were constitutional and were not easily changed. We have also been noting areas such as forms, timelines and processes these new elections laws may affect for us. Lastly, we have also been working with Lacy in Contracts to modify the worker and facility agreements for the upcoming election cycle.

VOTER PROCESSING

41,864 In-District Voters; **36,082** At-Large Voters totaling **77,946** Registered Voters as of 05/28/2026

Voter Registration Statistics



Statistical Report:

Detailed Data by District and Precinct is attached.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- 9 total Requisitions for May. Scanners have arrived and computers have been ordered.
- FY2026 is on target.
- FY2027 Budget was submitted on May 19th.

Chronicle - Voter Registration by District and Precinct

5/28/2026 9:24 AM

District	Precinct	Voters
Dist No. 1	Hulbert D-1	1,669
	Okay D-1	338
	Tahlequah B D-1	1,383
	Total for District	3,390
Dist No. 2	Tahlequah A D-2	1,595
	Tahlequah B D-2	1,093
	Total for District	2,688
Dist No. 3	Keys D-3	1,059
	Marble City D-3	1,347
	Tahlequah B D-3	857
	Total for District	3,263
Dist No. 4	Ft. Gibson D-4	1,342
	Vian D-4	805
	Warner D-4	913
	Total for District	3,060
Dist No. 5	Owasso D-5	579
	Tulsa D-5	1,098
	Total for District	1,677
Dist No. 6	Muldrow D-6	1,002
	Roland D-6	366
	Sallisaw D-6	1,439
	Total for District	2,807
Dist No. 7	Belfonte D-7	307
	Dahlongegah D-7	619
	Stilwell D-7	3,090
	Total for District	4,016
Dist No. 8	Briggs D-8	1,416
	Kansas D-8	698
	Westville D-8	1,049
	Total for District	3,154
Dist No. 9	Adair D-9	1,059
	Jay D-9	626
	Kenwood D-9	1,556
	Total for District	3,241

Chronicle - Voter Registration by District and Precinct

5/28/2026 9:24 AM

District	Precinct	Voters
Dist No. 10	Afton D-10	575
	Grove D-10	702
	Jay D-10	931
	West Siloam Springs D-10	260
Total for District		2,468
Dist No. 11	Nowata D-11	929
	S. Coffeyville D-11	609
	Vinita D-11	1,407
	Welch D-11	176
Total for District		3,121
Dist No. 12	Bartlesville D-12	1,567
	Collinsville D12	379
Total for District		1,946
Dist No. 13	Catoosa D-13	445
	Claremore D-13	132
	Owasso D-13	1,903
Total for District		2,480
Dist No. 14	Chelsea D-14	533
	Claremore D-14	1,664
Total for District		2,197
Dist No. 15	Justus Tiawah D-15	456
	Locust Grove D-15	760
	Pryor D-15	1,140
Total for District		2,356
At Large	At Large	36,082
Total for District		36,082
Grand Total		77,946

2026 May Election Directors report

May is going past very fast. We are still working on forms that need to be edited. Not all forms have to be changed but the contracts for precinct officials and facilities need updates per the new election act. So, we are making the potential changes and will push them through the Commission with the anticipation of the Election Act being approved in rules and in the special Council meeting on Thursday the 28th of May. I have printed the list of forms for you to look over. I have printed the forms that I have changed to a line with the Election act. I will print the forms to see if you see need to make any changes to the forms. Those forms that are printed by Midwest Printing, that you feel need to change, will need to be done asap to allow them to be printed and ready for the election cycle.

What I must hand out is copies of the forms and any that I have adjusted will be in the stack for you to review.

The Mail Absentee will need a set-up work session. So, when we get this first part done we can move forward to the Mail absentee documents and envelopes and instructions.

Cherokee Nation Voter Registration Form
 Return to: Cherokee Nation Election Commission
 Post Office Box 1188
 Tahlequah, OK 74465-1188



(918) 458-5899 * 1-800-353-2895 * Fax: 918-458-6101 * e-mail: election-commission@cherokee.org

Must be 18 years of age on or prior to the date of the election to register to vote. If you do not receive a Voter ID in 2 weeks, please contact the Election Commission.

ew Application Change of Affiliation (District or Precinct) Change of Name or Address Other

You must have Tribal Citizenship (Blue Card)

Name (Please print) _____
 First _____ Middle _____ Last _____ (Jr., Sr., I, II, III)

Male Female

Phone No. _____ Date of Birth _____ Social Security No. (Optional) _____ Sex _____ Maiden _____

County of Residence _____ Home Address: _____
 Street, Box, Road _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

REQUIRED Mailing Address: _____
 Street, Box, Road _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Driving Directions _____

Blue Tribal Citizenship Card /Registry # _____ Citizenship Date (Date Approved) _____ Your name as it appears on the Blue Card _____

Your Handwritten Signature, Electronic Signatures Not Accepted

Date _____

Witness, if mark used: _____

ANY CANDIDATE OR OTHER PERSON WHO HAS MADE A FALSE STATEMENT OR VIOLATED ANY PROVISION OF THE CHEROKEE NATION ELECTION LAW AND DEEMED TO BE A CRIME ARE SUBJECT TO PROSECUTION, CIVIL PENALTIES AND DAMAGES.

RESIDENT VOTERS MUST MARK ONE PRECINCT

District No. 1 (Cherokee, Mayes, Wagoner, Muskogee Co)
 Precincts:
 A. Hulbert D. Peggs
 B. Okay
 C. Tahlequah B

District No. 2 (Cherokee Co)
 Precincts:
 A. Tahlequah A (Community Bldg.)
 B. Tahlequah B (Sequoyah Cafeteria)

District No. 3 (Cherokee, Muskogee, Sequoyah Co)
 Precincts:
 A. Tahlequah B D. Tenkiller
 B. Keys E. Blackgum
 C. Marble City F. Sallisaw

District No. 4 (Muskogee, McIntosh, Sequoyah Co)
 Precincts:
 A. Fort Gibson
 B. Warner
 C. Vian
 D. Keifton

District No. 5 (Tulsa Co)
 Precincts:
 A. Tulsa
 E. Owasso
 District No. 6 (Sequoyah Co)
 Precincts:
 A. Muldrow
 B. Sallisaw
 C. Roland

District No. 7 (Adair, Sequoyah Co)
 Precincts:
 A. Belfonte D. Lyons Switch
 B. Stilwell
 C. Bell

District No. 8 (Adair, Cherokee, Delaware Co)
 Precincts:
 A. Westville
 B. Kansas
 C. Briggs
 D. Tenkiller
 E. Chewey
 F. S. Scaper

District No. 9 (Delaware, Mayes, Craig Co)
 Precincts:
 A. Jay D. Salina
 E. Kenwood E. Big Cabin
 C. Adair F. Kansas

District No. 10 (Delaware/Ottawa Co)
 Precincts:
 A. Afton
 B. Grove
 C. Jay
 D. West Siloam

District No. 11 (Washington, Nowata, Rogers, Craig Co)
 Precincts:
 A. South Coffeyville E. Copan
 B. Vinita F. Oologah
 C. Welch
 D. Nowata

District No. 12 (Washington, Tulsa Co)
 Precincts:
 A. Barlesville
 B. Collinsville
 C. Ocheiata

District No. 13 (Tulsa, Rogers Co)
 Precincts:
 A. Catoosa
 B. Owasso
 C. Claremore

District No. 14 (Rogers, Mayes Co)
 Precincts:
 A. Claremore
 B. Chelsea

District No. 15 (Rogers/Mayes Co)
 Precincts:
 A. Locust Grove
 B. Pryor
 C. Justus Tiawah
 D. Salina
 E. Chouteau

*NEW APPLICANTS UNDER THE AGE OF 25 WHO RESIDE OUTSIDE THE BOUNDARIES MAY SELECT TO REGISTER AT-LARGE OR IN A DISTRICT OF YOUR CHOICE; BUT, THIS SELECTION MUST BE MADE AT THE TIME OF YOUR SIGNING OF THIS VOTER REGISTRATION FORM.

CITIZENS AGE 25 AND OLDER NOT LIVING WITHIN THE TRADITIONAL BOUNDARIES OF THE CHEROKEE NATION MUST REGISTER AT-LARGE.

07 VOTERS

OFFICE USE ONLY

A copy of your original form will be returned if it is not filled out properly. Call 1-800-353-2895 if there is a question.

Received _____

Verified _____

2nd Received _____

Data Entry _____

CHEROKEE NATION ELECTION COMMISSION ROLL CALL

REGULAR MEETING SPECIAL MEETING

ELECTION COMMISSION PRESIDED BY: Cheryl Cooper

MEETING DATE: 6/4/26 at 9:30 AM / PM at the CNEC Office

Commission Member: Present/Absent

Rick Doherty Present/Absent *Attend by phone*

Cheryl Cooper Present / Absent

Pamela Sellers Present / Absent

Sherry Reynolds Present / Absent

Debra Proctor Present / Absent

Quorum Established: YES / NO

CNEC Attorney: Harvey Chaffin

Staff Present: Marcus Fears, Connie Parnell, Allison George, Charlene Keys,
 Paige Crow

Visitors:
