

1 **LITTLE TRAVERSE BAY BANDS OF ODAWA INDIDANS**

2 **TRIBAL ELECTION BOARD**

3 **FRIDAY, JULY 25, 2014**

4 **MINUTES**

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6 **CALL TO ORDER**

7 **Meeting was called to order by the Chairperson, Merle Carson at**
8 **3 p.m.**

9 **ROLL CALL**

10 **MERLE CARSON, CHAIRPERSON PRESENT**

11 **ALICE HUGHES, VICE-CHAIRPERSON PRESENT**

12 **CAROL QUINONES, SECRETARY/TREASURER PRESENT**

13 **JON SHAWA, BOARD MEMBER PRESENT**

14 **CHRISTINE A. SHOMIN, BOARD MEMBER PRESENT**

15 **GUESTS PRESENT**

16 **PAULINE BOULTON, LTBB ENROLLMENT**

17 **JAY FIELDS, MIS DEPARTMENT**

18 **ANDREW STITCH, TRIBAL CITIZEN**

19 **Pauline was invited to our meeting to address questions the Election**
20 **Board had in regards to sharing information. Merle thanked her for the**
21 **monthly information she has been providing in regards to deaths and**
22 **relinquishments. Merle asked Pauline if it would be possible to share**
23 **information in regards to address changes, name changes and new**
24 **citizens. She stated that she could provide this either monthly or**

1 quarterly. Carol gave her a Voter Registration form to give out to new
2 citizens and to those who changed their names. Merle thanked Pauline
3 for attending our meeting.

4 Jay attended on behalf of Mark Tracy from MIS. Merle asked him
5 questions regarding a new computer system with the ability to scan a
6 Tribal card and it shows if they are a registered voter. Jay stated he
7 did not know if we would be able to have that type of system. Merle
8 told him that we would like a system that had a scanner so we could
9 scan the voter registration forms so that we have digital copy as well
10 as a paper copy. Jay said that we could purchase a new desk top
11 system and it could be programmed with whatever type of software
12 we needed to fulfill our duties. Merle asked him if the same type of
13 software could be added to the laptop that Carol uses in her capacity
14 as the Secretary for the Election Board. Jay stated that it might be a
15 possibility. Jay will get the prices on desk top models with the
16 features we need and that their department would contact Election
17 Services in regards to the software we need specific to elections and
18 the data they already have for the Election Board. Jay will get back
19 with Merle in regards to the cost of the new system. Merle thanked
20 Jay for attending our meeting.

21 **PUBLIC COMMENT (3 MINUTES PER COMMENT)**

22 Andrew Stich asked if any decisions had been made in regards to
23 where we are going to hold the Candidate forums for the 2015
24 elections. Andrew asked how many forums we would be conducting.
25 He said he thought it would be a good idea to hold one downstate and
26 one in the immediate area prior to both the Primary Election and
27 General Election. Andrew also suggested that we hold the forums prior
28 to the ballots going out so people have a chance to ask questions
29 before they vote. We thanked Andrew for his input and for attending.

1 **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

2 **Motion made by Christine, supported by Alice, to approve the**
3 **agenda for this meeting as written and presented. Motion read back by**
4 **the Secretary. 5 yeas Motion carried.**

5 **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

6 **Motion made by Jon, supported by Alice, to approve the minutes**
7 **of Saturday, July 12, 2014 as amended and corrected. Motion read**
8 **back by the Secretary. 5 yeas Motion carried.**

9 **OFFICERS'S REPORTS**

10 **CHAIRPERSON**

11 **Merle read the e-mails he had sent to Pauline and Mark Tracy**
12 **asking them to attend our meeting tonight.**

13 **Motion made by Alice, supported by Christine, to accept the**
14 **verbal report of the Chairperson. Motion read back by the Secretary. 4**
15 **yeas 1 abstained (Merle) Motion carried.**

16 **VICE-CHAIRPERSON**

17 **Alice reported that the total tribal enrollment is 4,567 as of**
18 **7/25/2014. There was 1 death.**

19 **Motion made by Christine, supported by Merle to accept the**
20 **verbal and written report of the Vice-Chairperson. Motion read back by**
21 **the Secretary. 4 yeas 1 abstained (Alice) motion carried.**

22 **Secretary/Treasurer**

23 **Carol reported that she received the estimates for the 2015**
24 **Elections and the estimate for a possible recall election. She**
25 **presented copies of the estimates to the Board. She prepared the**
26 **information for this meeting.**

1 **Motion made by Jon, supported by Alice, to accept the verbal and**
2 **written report of the Secretary/Treasurer. 4 yeas 1 abstained (Carol).**

3 **OLD BUSINESS**

4 **1. VOTER REGISTRATION UP-DATE**

5 **1,720 as of 7/25/2014**

6 **ADDITIONAL BUSINESS**

7 **1. ELECTION BOARD FORMS**

8 **Carol will make copies of all of the forms and put them in a file**
9 **cabinet.**

10 **ANNOUNCE THE DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING/WORK SESSION**

11 **Work Session—Saturday, July 26, 2014 at 11 a.m.**

12 **Work Session—Friday, August 8, 2014 at 4:30 p.m.**

13 **Regular Meeting—Saturday, August 9, 2014 at 12 noon**

14 **ADJOURNMENT**

15 **Motion made by Alice, supported by Christine, to adjourn this**
16 **meeting at 5:05 p.m. 5 yeas. Meeting adjourned at 5:05 p.m.**

17 **These minutes have been read and approved as amended/corrected on**
18 **Saturday, August 23, 2014.**