

**LTBB ELECTION BOARD
FRIDAY, APRIL 24, 2009**

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order by the Chairperson, Denise Petoskey at 6 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Denise Petoskey, Chairperson	Present
Eleanor Barber, Vice-Chairperson	Present
Carol Quinones, Secretary/Treasurer	Present
Alice Hughes, Board Member	Present
Martin VanDeCar, Board Member	Present

Guests: Ken Harrington, Dexter McNamara and Andrew Stitch

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion made by Martin, supported Eleanor, to approve the agenda for this meeting as written and presented. Motion read back by the Secretary. 5 yeas Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion made by Alice, supported by Eleanor, to approve the minutes of Friday, April 3, 2009 as written and presented. Motion read back by the Secretary. 5 yeas Motion carried.

OFFICERS' REPORTS

CHAIRPERSON

Denise reported that she will pick up the snacks from Wal-Mart, Mike Lyons of LTBB Archives and Records, will video tape the Candidates Forum on Saturday. Community Meeting supplies cost \$600.00. Judy Feathers contacted Carol about her Voter Registration form because she sent it in at the same time as another member whose application was entered as registered. Carol contacted Denise about the concern. Denise found the information, did the registration and had a ballot sent to her. Frank Ettawageshik submitted his financial disclosures for 2006 and 2007. Fred Harrington submitted additional information for his financial disclosure file.

Motion made by Eleanor, supported by Alice, to accept the verbal and written report of the Chairperson. Motion read back by the Secretary. 4 yeas 1 abstained (Denise). Motion carried.

VICE – CHAIRPERSON

Eleanor reported that she has been picking up the mail from both the Post Office and the Government Complex when she was able. She received 10 undeliverable ballots, purchase order copies, Bill Denemy submitted his financial disclosures for 2006 and 2007, 4 voter registration forms in time to be eligible for the General Election and 3 that will be entered but not in time for this election year. She received 2 undeliverable candidate statements information, 2 undeliverable flyers and 3 with no addresses on them.

Motion made by Carol, supported by Denise to accept the verbal and written report of the Vice-Chairperson. Motion read back by the Secretary. 4 yeas 1 abstained (Eleanor). Motion carried.

Officers' Reports Cont.

SECRETARY

Carol reported that she received a call from a member in Chicago who needed a ballot replacement. She called Tim Kloeppeel of Election Services and had the ballot replaced. She prepared the forms for the forum on Saturday. Letters were sent out to the Poll Sitters. They are Juan Villegas and Greta Moyer. She prepared the information for this meeting.

Motion made by Martin, supported by Denise to accept the verbal and written report of the Secretary. Motion read back by the Secretary. 4 yeas 1 abstained (Carol). Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Ken Harrington asked if the format for the Candidates Forum was going to be the same as it was in Lansing. It will be the same.

Andrew Stich wanted to know why we don't allow write-in candidates and why you have to register to vote. We reminded him that the write-in candidate issue had already been addressed in the court case he filed against the Election Board. We are doing Voter Registration now because it is mandated in the Constitution that was passed in 2005.

Dexter McNamara filled out a form to review the Financial Disclosure Information.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Registered Voter Up-date

**For the Primary Election there are 1,373 Registered Voters
For the General Election there will be 1,418 Registered Voters. As of April 15, 2009 there is a total Tribal Enrollment of 4,338.**

2. Election Up-date

Ballots were mailed out on the 6th of April as scheduled. The Ballot box is at the Post Office in Conway. Everything is on schedule.

3. Review of Format for the Candidates Forum

The evaluations from the forum in Lansing were reviewed. There were some good suggestions that we will be able to incorporate in the 2011 Election cycle. We will also adjust this forum slightly so it will run a little smoother than the Lansing one.

ANNOUNCE DATE OF NEXT MEETING/WORK SESSION

Candidates Forum – Saturday, April 25, 2009 at 12 noon

Work Session – Friday, May 08, 2009 at 4 p.m. Petoskey Middle School

Community Meeting – Saturday, May 9, 2009 from 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Regular Meeting – Sunday, May 10, 2009 at 4 p.m. Tribal Court Room

PRIMARY ELECTION DAY – MONDAY, MAY 11, 2009 from 8:30 to 7 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Eleanor, supported by Martin to adjourn this meeting at 8 p.m. 5 yeas. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8 p.m.

Minutes approved as written and submitted _____

Minutes approved as corrected on Sunday, May 10, 2009

Carol Quinones

Carol Quinones, Secretary/Treasurer