

**POLICY AND PROCEDURES TO APPOINT MEMBERS AND FILL A
VACANCY ON A TRIBAL COUNCIL STANDING COMMITTEE**

SECTION I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to establish a standard method to appoint Tribal Council members to Standing Committees; and fill any vacancy on a Tribal Council Committees.

SECTION II. STANDING COMMITTEES OF TRIBAL COUNCIL

Tribal Council has three (3) standing Committees of Tribal Council, list as follows:

1. Appropriation and Finance
2. Land and Reservation
3. Ethics

SECTION III. COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS AND VOTING

- A. Any Council member desiring be on a Committee shall state so verbally by putting their name forth as a nomination.
- B. All nominations require a verbal support by another sitting Council member.
- C. If only three (3) Council members have been nominated to serve on the Committee, then Tribal Council shall appointed the nominees to the Committee by a majority vote of Tribal Council.
- D. If more than three (3) Council members are interested in serving on the Committee, then the Legislative Office staff shall make a typed ballot with a list of the names of each interested nominated Council member. The three (3) Council members with the highest votes shall be appointed to the Committee by a majority vote of Tribal Council.

1. In the event there is a tie between two or more persons and the tie would determine who is going to serve on the Committee, then the names will be placed in a container. The Legislative Leader shall select the name(s) from the container. The person(s) selected shall be appointed to the Committee by a majority vote of Tribal Council.

2. All Tribal Councilors shall have the opportunity to view the ballots.

E. If less than three (3) Council members have expressed an interest in serving on the Committee, then the remaining names of the Tribal Council members shall be placed in a container and the Legislative Leader shall select a name from the container. The person selected shall be appointed to the Committee by a majority vote of Tribal Council.

SECTION IV. VACANT SEAT

A. At a regularly scheduled Tribal Council meeting, the Legislative Leader, or in the absence of the Legislative Leader--the Secretary or where appropriate the Treasurer, shall call for a motion to declare a Tribal Council Committee seat vacant.

B. The following process will be used for each vacant seat:

1. Any Council member desiring to fill the vacant Committee seat shall state so verbally by putting their name forth as a nomination.

2. All nominations require a verbal support by another sitting Council member.

3. If there is more than one vacant seat, each vacant seat will be voted on individually.

C. If only one (1) Council member has been nominated to serve on the Committee, then Tribal Council shall appoint the nominee to the Committee by a majority vote of Tribal Council.

D. If more than two (2) Council members are interested in filling the vacant

Committee seat, then the Legislative Office staff shall make a typed ballot with a list of the names of each interested nominated Council member. The Council member with the highest votes shall be appointed to the Committee by a majority vote of Tribal Council.

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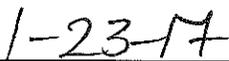
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E. If no Council member has expressed an interest in serving on the Committee, then the remaining names of the Tribal Council members who are not on the Committee shall be placed in a container and the Legislative Leader shall select a name from the container. The person selected shall be appointed to the Committee by a majority vote of Tribal Council.

This Policy was approved by Tribal Council on:



Julie Shananaquet, Tribal Secretary



Date