

**“Special” General Council Meeting  
February 19, 2022  
Chiloquin, Oregon ~ Auditorium  
10:00 a.m.**

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**Tribal Council Present:**

Don Gentry, Tribal Chairman  
Gail Hatcher, Vice-Chairman  
Robertta Frost, Secretary  
Brandi Hatcher, Treasurer  
Clay Dumont, Council Member  
Willa Powless, Council Member  
Jeannie McNair, Council Member  
Jessie Hecocta, Council Member  
Rose Mary Treetop, Council Member  
Ellsworth Lang, Council Member

**Tribal Council Absent:**

**Item I. Meeting called to order by Tribal Chairman at 10:17 am.**

**Quorum Count: 95**

**Opening Prayer: Betty Blackwolfe**

**Official Counters: Gus Miller and Marcus Robinson**

**Agenda: Motion by Sandra Mosttler, second by Joseph Allen Jr to approve the agenda as presented. Motion passed 78 for, 2 opposed, 4 abstentions.**

**# signed in at the end of the day:**

Discussion from the members both virtually and in the auditorium regarding whether or not Donnie Wright had been recognized prior to the motion approving the agenda. The Chairman ruled that the motion from Sandra Mosttler had been recognized and the membership would vote on the recognized motion.

**Item II. Election Clerk: Election Process, Timeframe and Election Ordinance Overview – Kathy Rich, Election Clerk and Jana DeGarmo, Chairperson – Election Board –** provided an overview of the election process. Attendees were provided handouts with overview and timeline as well as the approved Election Ordinance.

**Item III. Nominations:** The Chairman opened the nominations for Tribal Council beginning with the office of Chairman. Nominations were accepted from tribal members attending virtually first and then moved to the in person attendees. Nominations were kept open according to the ordinance allowing for the time allowed since the last nomination occurred.

***Election Board Record of nominations are attached.***

**Meeting recessed for a break.**

**Meeting reconvened 1:19**

**Quorum count requested by Sandra Mosttler.  
73 room and 34 online 107 total.**

**Item IV. Nominations and Election of Election Board Members – Conducted by the  
Election Board Chairwoman – Jana DeGarmo**

*Nominations and Election results for Election Board are attached.*

**Item V. Nomination and Election of Revenue Allocation Plan Members (3) – Conducted by  
the Election Board Chairwoman – Jana DeGarmo**

*Nominations and Election results for Distribution and Investment Board are attached.*

**Item VI. Time for Tribal Council nominees to accept or decline nomination in writing.**  
Election Clerk provided the process for nominees to accept or decline the nomination including those nominees ability to accept virtually.

**Item VII. Other Business**

**Quorum count requested by Donnie Wright at 3:19 pm 47 no quorum.**

**Item VI. Adjourn**

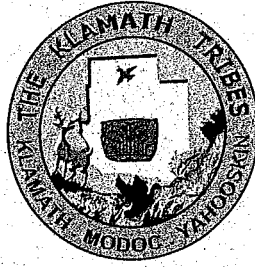
**Meeting lost a quorum at 3:19 pm so ended due to lack of quorum.**

**Respectfully Submitted,**



*Roberta Frost*

**Klamath Tribal Secretary**



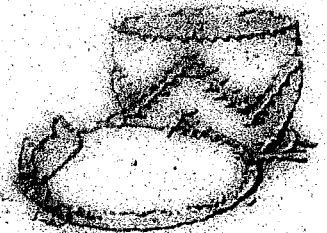
**The Klamath Tribes**  
**General Council Agenda**  
**Saturday, February 19, 2022 – 10:00 am**  
**Administration Auditorium, Chiloquin, OR**

- I. Call to order, quorum count, opening prayer**
- II. Election Clerk: Election Process, Timeframe and Election Ordinance Overview**
- III. Nominations: Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and At Large Positions**
- IV. Nominations and Election of Election Board Members**
- V. Nominations and Election of Revenue Allocation Plan Members (3)**
- VI. Time for Tribal Council nominees to accept or decline nomination in writing.**  
  
**\*\*NOTE:** Per the Election Ordinance, nominations must be accepted in writing prior to the adjournment of the General Council Meeting. The Chairman will wait for all nominees present to have time to accept or decline before he adjourns the meeting.
- VII. Other Business**
- VIII. Adjourn**

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**2022**  
**ELECTION PROCESS OVERVIEW**

The following is an overview of the process, which will be used and dates that the election events will occur, per The Constitution of the Klamath Tribes dated September 26, 2013 and the Klamath Tribes Election Ordinance dated November 22, 2003.

Excerpts below are from The Constitution of the Klamath Tribes, pertaining to the regulation of the election process:

**Page 7 & 8: ARTICLE VIII – NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS OF TRIBAL COUNCIL**

**Section I:** Officers and Tribal Council Members shall be nominated at the February General Council Meeting of the election year. All enrolled members of the Klamath Tribes of voting age (18 years) shall have the right to vote on elections. Voting shall be by secret ballot. Elections shall be held sixty days following the nominations made in accordance with this Constitution and each three years thereafter. Should the Election Day fall on a holiday recognized by the Klamath Tribes, the election shall be held on the following weekday.

**Section II:** Nominations can only be made by persons eligible to vote under this Constitution. All persons nominated must be present at the February General Council meeting. Nominations must be accepted or declined, in writing, by nominees prior to adjournment of that February General Council; however, if nominee is unable to attend that meeting then exception can be made if explanation of the absence was delivered, in writing, and in person to the Election Clerk or designee within seven (7) days following the February General Council. Said, Election Board will determine if absence is excusable. Nominee will then be notified by certified mail. Election Board decision is final.

**Page 10 & 11: ARTICLE XI – SUPERVISOR OVER ELECTIONS**

**Section I:** The elections for Tribal Council shall be conducted under the direction of a Board of Elections, consisting of fifteen (15) Tribal Members plus five (5) alternates. The Board shall be elected at the February General Council meeting when nominations for Tribal Council are made. It shall be the duty of the Election Board to oversee the election process per the election ordinance.

Ballots will be mailed out to eligible Members of the Klamath Tribes, twenty (20) working days after nominations using current enrollment address listing and will include if available at mail out time a 1-page candidate information sheet at the candidates expense. Ballots will need to be returned and received, at a location to be determined by the Elections Board, by 5 p.m. within sixty (60) days after General Council Nominations. All ballots received by the deadline will be stored in a locked secure location until they are tabulated on the sixty-first (61<sup>st</sup>) day after nominations.

**Section II.** It shall be the duty of the Election Board to preserve carefully all ballots until the respective terms of office have expired.

**Section III.** Each candidate receiving the largest number of votes cast for each respective position shall be deemed to be elected, provided that when any claims of irregularity is made to the Elections Board. The Board shall report its findings to the General Council for appropriate action or decision.

**Section IV:** No claim of irregularity shall be considered unless made within ten days following the election.

**Section V:** Standing rules for elections shall be attached to this Constitution.

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Excerpts below are from The Klamath Tribes Election Ordinance, Klamath Tribal Code 2.01 pertaining to the Tribal Council Election:

**Page 1:      b) Board of Elections:**

- (1) **Composition.** Board of Elections (Board of Elections or Board) shall consist of fifteen (15) Tribal members plus five (5) alternates.
- (2) **Qualifications:** Board members and alternates and those nominating Board members and alternates shall be enrolled persons of the Klamath Tribes and shall be eighteen (18) years of age or older. No person shall be elected who is nominated for elective office or who has an immediate family member who is nominated for elective office. "Immediate family member" means husband, wife, mother, father, sister, brother, son, daughter, father-in-law, mother-in-law, daughter-in-law, son-in-law, brother-in-law, sister-in-law, grandparents, and grandchild.
- (3) **Nomination and Election of New Board Members and Alternates.** The new Board shall be elected at the February General Council meeting in an election year, immediately following nominations for Tribal Council. The current Board Chairman or other Board Member shall conduct the nomination and election process for the fifteen members and for the five alternate members of the Board. The fifteen nominees with the highest number of votes will become Board members. The five with the next highest number of votes shall become first alternate, second alternate, third alternate, fourth alternate, and fifth alternate, determined by number of votes each received. Nominations may be made only by those eligible to vote. The person nominating shall state his or her name and the name of the candidate nominated. The current Board Chairman must recognize all persons wishing to nominate a candidate. The Tribes' Enrollment Coordinator shall immediately verify that both the nominator and the candidate are qualified. The Tribes' Enrollment Coordinator's decision as to qualifications for Board nominators and candidates is final. Board members and alternates must accept their positions in writing.

**Page 4:      d) Tribal Council Election:**

- (1) **Qualifications:** Any enrolled member of the Klamath Tribes who is present at the February General Council meeting at which Tribal Council nominations are made and who will be eighteen years of age or older on the date of the election is qualified to be a candidate. If a nominee is not present at the General Council meeting at which he or she is nominated because he or she was unable to attend, the nominee may request that an exception be made by delivering a written explanation of the absence in person to the Election Clerk or other person designated by the Election Clerk within seven (7) days after the February General Council meeting at which the nomination was made. The Board of Elections shall decide if the excuse is acceptable and shall notify the nominee of its decision by certified mail: The decision of the Board of Elections is final.
- (2) **Nominations:** Nominations shall be made every three years at the February General Council meeting. Nominations may be made only by those eligible to vote. The current Tribal Chairman shall conduct the nominations. Nominations shall be open for each position in order, and shall remain open until at least three minutes after the previous nomination. The person nominating shall state his or her name and the name of the candidate nominated. The Tribal Chairman must recognize all persons wishing to nominate a candidate. The Tribes' Enrollment Coordinator shall immediately verify that the nominator and the candidate are qualified. The Tribes' Enrollment Coordinator's decision as to qualifications is final.
- (3) **Acceptance of Nominations:** Nominations must be accepted or declined in writing before the end of the February General Council meeting at which nominations are made; except as provided in Section d)(1). No person shall accept more than one nomination.

## **2022 KLAMATH TRIBES ELECTION TIMELINE**

Saturday, February 19	Nominations for Tribal Council and Election Board
Saturday, February 26	Deadline for explanation of absence from General Council Meeting (Need to be received by 3:00 pm)
(To Be Determined)	Orientation of Election Board and review of Explanation of Absence
Tuesday, March 1	Names of nominees, who have accepted, will be forwarded to the Election Service Company for preparation of Ballot
Friday, March 4	Deadline for submittal of 1-page campaign insert for printing order by Gowans Printing in Modesto
	<b>OR</b>
Friday, March 11	Deadline for submittal of 1-page campaign insert; 4,565 copies mailed directly to company
Monday, March 21	Ballot will be postmarked and mailed out to eligible voters, per the Enrollment Mailing List
Wednesday, April 20	Election Day. Deadline for ballots to be received. Postmaster will be instructed not to place any additional ballots into the post office box after 5:00 pm on this date.
Thursday, April 21	Ballots will be picked up from the post office by the Election Service Company representatives and Board Members and delivered to the facility where ballots will be tabulated.  Tribal members interested, may be present.
Saturday, April 30	Deadline for receiving any Claim of Irregularity (Must be by Certified Mail)
Thursday, May 5	Written determination and findings from Election Board on any Claims of Irregularity

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## **Detailed breakdown of Events of the Elections**

Nominations for Election Board and Tribal Council will occur at the February General Council Meeting. Nominations must be accepted or declined, in writing, by nominees prior to adjournment of the General Council Meeting. This process will be on the General Council Agenda.

There will be an orientation meeting with the Election Board to go over all election process documents and approve proposed standing rules.

Board will review explanations of absence – if any. Election Board will respond to the explanations by Certified Mail.

A list of nominees, who have accepted, will be forwarded to the Election Service Company. Upon receipt, the company will prepare the ballot.

MK Election Services will lay out the ballot according to their technical specifications, and print the ballot. Voter data, including a unique PIN barcode known only to MK Elections, will be printed on the reverse side of the #9 return envelope for use during the ballot authentication process.

There has been a deadline date set for the receipt of the 1-page campaign insert. This will allow for the preparation of the mail out to be completed by the required mail out date of ballots. Each candidate is responsible for their copies and delivery to the Election Service Company.

The Election Clerk will send a copy of the Eligible Voter's Mailing List to the Election Service Company.

A PO Box Number will be obtained separate from The Klamath Tribes Administration. Voting materials will have that address on the envelopes.

The return envelope used by the Election Service Company, will have on the form a place for the eligible voter to sign their legal name and log their roll number. No nick names are to be used on the signature line.

By the specified date, the ballots will be mailed out to the eligible voters using current enrollment address listing provided by Member Benefits Department. Ballots will be returned to the specified PO Box. Ballots will remain at this box until the 61<sup>st</sup> day. No ballots will be placed in the PO Box after 5:00 pm on the specified date – 60 days following the nominations. On the following day (61<sup>st</sup>), they will be picked up by the Election Service Technician along with designated Election Board Members and delivered to the facility to be tabulated.

**Note: There will be no ballots accepted at any of the Tribal Offices, by any Tribal Staff, Election Board Members or Election Clerk.**

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If an eligible voter requests a ballot, due to not receiving one, lost or destroyed, another ballot will be issued.

The Election Service Company will keep documentation of all ballots sent out to whom and to what addresses. This documentation will serve as Election Records.

The Klamath Tribes will retain all election records on file.

The ballot count consists of four processes:

- Authentication. Barcodes on the return envelopes are scanned to ensure the authenticity of the ballot and qualification of the voter. Voter qualifications can be updated on the day of the count if your rules require it.
- Optical Scan and Preliminary Report. Ballots are scanned using a high-speed batch scanner, and images are processed against a template. Preliminary reports can be shown on screen periodically during the scanning process, or can be withheld until after all ballots are scanned as per your rules.
- Auditing and Certified Report. Testing protocols are followed to demonstrate that the software and equipment have functioned properly and provided accurate tallies. This can be done in front of representatives of the tribe, or, by projection of the computer screen, in front of a whole room of witnesses, according to your wishes. The detail and extent of the audit is determined by the accuracy of the initial count and the closeness of the election. Ultimately, audits of as few as 50 ballots, or as many as 100% of all ballots cast, can be conducted, and the final determination of the depth of the audit is made by the Election Committee or other authority.
- Delivery of the legal record. Once the count is completed, the paper and electronic record of the election is consolidated in storage boxes and sealed, to be opened only in the case of a formal challenge. In most cases the client receives these for storage.

Results are transferred to the Tribal Certification Forms and posted.



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## TRIBAL COUNCIL NOMINATIONS

## TREASURER POSITION

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TRIBAL COUNCIL NOMINATIONS

TRIBAL COUNCIL MEMBERS AT-LARGE POSITIONS

NOMINATOR	NOMINATOR'S ROLL #	NOMINEE	NOMINEE'S ROLL #
Ramona Mason	1223-D-2	Lahoma Schonchin	1711-C
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Stephanie Vigil Hawk	1942-A-2	Gary Frost	0700
Lahoma Schonchin	1711-C	Crayton Jackson, Sr.	1071-A
Lahoma Schonchin	1711-C	Garin Riddle	1666-D
Gwendolyn Powless	1625	Willa Powless	1625-B
Donald Wright	0889-B	David Ochoa	1548-C
Garin Riddle	1666-D	Joseph Allen, Jr.	1663-B-4
Ramona Mason	1223-D-2	Clayton Dumont, Jr.	0002-A
Jeffrey Mitchell	1449-B	Jessie Hecocta	0853-D-1
Jeffrey Mitchell	1449-B	Perry Chocktoot, Jr.	0337-A
Gwendolyn Powless	1625	Ellsworth Lang	1259-B
Lahna Lilly	1434-A	Guy Powless	1625-A
Julias Jackson	1039-C-2	Bruce Miller	1431-B-2
Clara Eileen Martinez	0932	Randy Henry	0424-B
Clara Eileen Martinez	0932	Jeffrey Mitchell	1449-B
Christina Rubidoux	1663-B-1	Joseph Allen	1663-B
Kayce Womack	8951	Candi Uses Arrow	1576-D
Ellsworth Lang	1259-B	Gustavo Miller	1434-C
Georgene Nelson	2092-A	Rose Mary Treetop	1086
Georgene Nelson	2092-A	Jeannie McNair	0775-A
Joseph Allen, Jr.	1663-B-4	Jennifer R. Jackson	0792-A-2
Candi Uses Arrow	1576-D	Derek Kimbol	1202-A
Charles Jackson	1039-B-3	Natalie Ball	5304
Charles Jackson	1039-B-3	Melissa Terrell	8035
Camille DeLorme	0543-B	Joshua DeLorme	10262
Camille DeLorme	0543-B	Johnny Miller	1431-B-1

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NOMINATOR	NOMINATOR'S ROLL #	NOMINEE	NOMINEE'S ROLL #
Barbara Miller	1093	Rowena Jackson	0442-A
Gustavo Miller	1434-C	Lahna Lilly	1434-A
Derek Kimbol	1202-A	Erwin Crain, Jr.	2015-B-2
Willa Powless	1625-B	Kayce Womack	8951
Willa Powless	1625-B	Bruce Miller	1431-B-2
Willa Powless	1625-B	Monte Powers	1617-A
Sandra Mosttler	1841	Yvonne Hood	0333-A
Sandra Mosttler	1841	Dino Herrera	1470-B
Sandra Mosttler	1841	Georgene Nelson	2092-A
Freddie Donahue	5139	Adrian Witcraft	1312-C
Freddie Donahue	5139	William Ray, Jr.	0837-A
Clara Eileen Martinez	0932	Robert Wilson	2059-A
Charles Jackson	1039-B-3	Billy Jackson, Jr.	1084-A-1
Rose Mary Treetop	1086	Marvin Garcia	0721
Anna Merritt	1409-C	Danita Herrera	1470-C
Garin Riddle	1666-D	Loren Schonchin	1711-B
Garin Riddle	1666-D	Anna Merritt	1409-C
Lahoma Schonchin	1711-C	Oskie Yasana	0031
Danita Herrera	1470-C	Leslie Anderson	0022-B
Jeffrey Mitchell	1449-B	Melissa Hess	3728
Jeffrey Mitchell	1449-B	Jared Hall	7475
Laurel Robinson	8530	Bradley Parrish	0792-A-1
Billy Jackson, Jr.	1084-A-1	Fred Donahue	5139
Ramona Mason	1223-D-2	Jana DeGarmo	1974-B
Gwendolyn Powless	1625	Denise Lawver	1281-A

## ELECTION BOARD NOMINATIONS

NOMINATOR	NOMINATOR'S ROLL #	NOMINEE	NOMINEE'S ROLL #	No. of Votes
Jeffrey Mitchell	1449-B	Jana DeGarmo	1974-B	78
Lari Witt	2079	Brenda Frank	0693	53
Lari Witt	2079	Vivian Kimbol	1204	63
Jeffrey Mitchell	1449-B	Tammy Anderson	1817-A	54
Barbara Miller	1093	Terri Oates	0292-A	45
Donald Gentry	0283-A	Ruby Mahr	2094-C-1	42
Donald Gentry	0283-A	Faye Brattain	1421	59
Denise Lawver - Fricke	1281-A	Darlene Melendres	1692	58
Danita Herrera	1470-C	Leah Barlowe	1697-A-2	66
Roberta Frost	0792-A	Marcus Robinson	1688-A	71
Danette Brown	0204-B	Woody Joe, Jr.	1147	44
Joseph Allen, Jr.	1663-B-4	Joshua DeLorme	10262	52
Georgene Nelson	2092-A	Cherie Coquise Wilson	0968-A	65
Anna Merritt	1409-C	RaeDawn Weiser	7346	70
Anna Merritt	1409-C	Aisha Wilson	2059-A-6	72
Kayce Womack	8951	Madeline Hutchinson	1000-B	66
Cherie Coquise Wilson	0968-A	Shari Brown	0863-B	64
Cherie Coquise Wilson	0968-A	Debra Foster	0863-G	53
Cherie Coquise Wilson	0968-A	Sandra Mosttler	1841	59
Jeffrey Mitchell	1449-B	James Esqueda	7341	51
Rose Mary Treetop	1086	Ruth Jackson	1151	68
Lari Witt	2079	Jeffrey Mitchell	1449-B	41
Garin Riddle	1666-D	Laura Shroeder	8279	52
Garin Riddle	1666-D	Hannah Shroeder	8280	58

## DISTRIBUTION AND INVESTMENT BOARD NOMINATIONS

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