



## Caucus Rules

- 1. Before Caucus meeting commences, the tribal clerk will check the census list to verify membership of persons present. Any person present that is not a member of the PIN will be asked to leave.
- 2. Sample ballots to be posted and marked "Sample". A voting machine May be used at the polls. Paper ballots will be available upon request.
- 3. Polls open at 9:00 AM and close at 8:00 PM
- 4. No candidate shall serve intoxicating liquor before the polls are closed.
- 5. Only people present at the caucus meeting can be nominated as a candidate for the election.
- 6. Anyone will be allowed an absentee ballot.
- 7. Members in hospitals, nursing homes, bedridden or incarcerated may be allowed an absentee ballot. A notary public must acknowledge said ballot.
- 8. All absentee ballots may be requested in person, fax or regular mail and may be returned by regular mail but must be notarized provided, however, that all requests for absentee ballots must be received by the Tribal Clerk prior to close of business the day immediately before Election Day. (Clerk will send a notary public form accompanying the ballot).
- Candidates cannot be soliciting votes within the same building where votes are being cast.
- 10. No person currently holding an elected office is eligible to run for another elective office.
- 11. Candidates running for office be in compliance with the election law; Any elected official who is recalled, removed, or resigns unless the person resigns in order to run for another elected office from his/her office shall be prohibited from being nominated for a period of 4 years, commencing from the effective date of such recall, removal or resignation.
- 12. Chairperson of the caucus meeting will ask if there are any other nominations before the motion for nominations to cease will be entertained.
- 13. The Caucus shall be called to order and chaired by the Chief, however, whenever the Chief is seeking re-election, the Chief, by majority vote of the caucus, shall appoint an individual to moderate the nominations of Chief candidates.
- 14. All absentee ballots must be requested by each and every member separately.
- 15. No immediate family member of a candidate can serve as ballot box tender. (Mother, father, sibling, husband, wife or child)
- 16. All candidates stand and identify themselves to accept or refuse a nomination.
- 17. There shall be no campaign signs and literature attached to the community building and all public buildings, nor the inside of the buildings, and on any railings or fences. To include the grounds
- 18. Campaigning Candidates for elective office shall be prohibited from campaigning on Election Day within one hundred (100) feet of the building in which the polling place is located.