

Little River Band of Ottawa Indians/Election Board
Open Meeting Minutes
February 20th, 2025

I. Call to order:

- A. Kathy made a motion to begin the Open session meeting at 7:15 P.M.
- Roll Call

Kathy Gibson – Present	Laura Echelbarger – Present	Janine Sam – Absent
Shawwna Gonzalez – Present	Lee Ivinson – Present	

II. Others Present: Susan Thull 3727 and Danny Pineda 2601.

III. Minutes Approved: None

IV. Discussion:

- A. Discussed Sara Agosa's (Tribal Member) questions she emailed the Election Board prior to the meeting:
- Can you please verify how purchases for contracts and services are made and the approval process? Because it came out in an election work session that the purchasing and procurement regulations were changed. I was not aware of this change. We don't have control of that and we just follow what is in place when we need to get a vendor.
 - How do postings for RFP's work? What is the election board's procedure to select vendors? Those RFP's do go to purchasing Michelle Lucas. We follow the purchasing and procurement that was set forth for us.
 - I also want to verify is ESC the ballot count vendor. The same vendor of the tribe used for several years? AES. Automated election services is our election vendor we have used them in the past
- B. Discussed Susan Thull's (Tribal Member) issues about the voter registration list. She pointed out a few mistakes that we checked into and corrected.
- C. Lee gave the numbers for registered voters in districts a total of 601 for 9 county and 639 for outline, equaling 1240 registered voters.
- D. Susan asked if we would continue to register and we said yes, we will continue to register, but the deadline has passed to vote in the upcoming election. But nonetheless, we will continue getting tribal members registered.
- E. The day we announced registered voters for the membership meeting is the day of the membership meeting.
- F. Kathy described how we do our open meetings for the tribal members who are new in the meeting.

V. Motions to put into Open Session: None

VI. Adjournment:

A. Kathy made a motion to adjourn the closed session at 7:30 P.M. Supported by Lee.

Kathy Gibson – Yes	Laura Echelbarger – Yes	Janine Sam – Absent
Shawwna Gonzalez – Yes	Lee Ivinson – Yes	