



Little River Band of Ottawa Indians

Candidate Biographies

2021 Regular Election

Offices to be Elected

Office of Chief Judge (one seat)

Office of Appellate Judge (Licensed Attorney) (one seat)

Office of Appellate Judge (Elder) (one seat)

Office of Election Board (three seats)

Office of Tribal Council–Outlying(two seats)

Office of Tribal Council-9-County (two seats)

Office of At-Large (one seat)

The Regular Election will take place on April 30, 2021, in the Lodge at the Government Center. The ballots will be picked up from the Manistee Post Office at 12 pm.

Ballots Mailed for the Regular Election..... March 26, 2021

Ballots Due and Regular Election..... April 30, 2021

Deadline for Regular Election Recounts, Disputes, Challenges.....May 7, 2021

Deadline for Election Campaign Financial Report.....May 7, 2021

Registered voters are responsible for maintaining their current physical/mailling address with the Enrollment Department. Ballots will be mailed to the address on file in the Enrollment Department. The Regular Election will be conducted by secret mail-in ballot. For this Regular Election in-person voting is available at the Lodge.

Office of Chief Judge (one seat)

Jimmie Mitchell



The responsibility in choosing the best candidate from within our Tribe to serve as Chief Judge is an extremely important one. Careful consideration of each candidate will need to be made to ensure that the person you decide to vote for, possesses the necessary skills, and, has obtained a thorough understanding of the laws' and Constitutions' that we as a Nation are bound to abide by.

From my standpoint, I believe every Court decision rendered, should be aimed only at safeguarding the People, the Tribe, its enterprises when presiding over the volumes of cases that are presented to Tribal Court.

My 18-years spent working in Tribal, State, and Federal courtrooms has imparted upon me the necessary experiences required in gaining that thorough understanding of law and how they are applied throughout each judicial process.

These gained experiences further provide me with the necessary skills that are vital in making difficult decisions that are both fair and impartial, the essential cornerstones required in the proper administration of justice.

Thank you for your time and consideration taken to select me as your choice to serve in this role in the coming 2021 election.

Log in to learn more at: <https://www.facebook.com/ChiefJudge.Irboi/>

Angela Sherigan



Dear Tribal Citizens –

It has been an honor to serve you as your associate judge, and I am now asking for your vote again but this time for Chief Judge. I know what works, and what can be improved in the Court to better serve you. I am committed to improving the functioning of the Court and the interactions and relationships with state and federal courts while maintaining a strong voice and advocacy for Little River and all tribal courts.

I currently serve on the Tribal-State-Federal Judicial Forum, the State Court Administrator's Office, Court Improvement Program, and I am the Chair of the State Bar of Michigan's American Indian Law Committee, and am licensed to practice law in Michigan state, federal, and 7 Tribal Courts.

My philosophy in the court-room is that everyone will be heard and respected, and to facilitate an outcome that is just. My decisions are not influenced by the people in front of me, or the possible political fall-out that may result, but are based in law and on the facts in front of the court.

It would be an honor to continue to serve as your judge in this new capacity. Thank you.

Office of Appellate Judge Licensed Attorney (one seat)

Melissa Pope

The Hon. Melissa L. Pope has been honored to serve on the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Court of Appeals for over ten years. She was elected by LRBOI Tribal Citizens in 2009 and re-elected in 2015 to the Appellate Justice position Constitutionally required to be an attorney licensed to practice law. She has also been honored to be selected by her fellow Appellate Justices to serve as the Chief Justice throughout her years on the Court. Justice Pope has actively sought to protect the sovereignty of Native Nations, protect Indigenous People from domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking and human trafficking, and protect Two Spirit people from violence. She has served on the Intertribal Technical Assistance Working Group on Special Domestic Violence Criminal Jurisdiction since it was established, supporting implementation of the limited jurisdiction returned to Tribes in the Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act of 2013 to criminally prosecute non-Natives in certain domestic violence cases at Little River and at the Nottawaseppi Huron Band of the Potawatomi where she also serves as the Tribal Court Chief Judge. In 2019, Governor Whitmer appointed Justice Pope as the first Tribal representative to the Michigan Domestic and Sexual Violence Prevention and Treatment Board. Justice Pope also serves as the President of the Michigan Indian Judicial Association, on the State Bar American Indian Law and Access to Justice Steering Committees, on the Tribal State Federal Judicial Forum, and as an adjunct faculty member at the University of Detroit Mercy School of Law.

Office of Appellate Judge Elder (one seat)

Tammy Burmeister

My name is Tammy Burmeister. I am the daughter of John Koon and the late Theresa (Rybicki) Koon and the granddaughter of the late James & Beatrice Koon. I am a graduate of Manistee Catholic Central and West Shore Community College. I am married to Michael Burmeister and we have four children Donald, Rosemary, Angela and Autumn. We also have two beautiful granddaughters who are "my little loves" as I refer to them as and their names are Audi and Harper.

I have worked for the Little River Band Tribal Government since 1995 and have held various positions within the Tribe. Currently, I am working in the Accounting Department as the Grants Management Administrator. Over the past 25 years, I have served on the Enrollment Commission, Education Committee, Pow Wow Committee and Election Board. Working for the Tribe has helped me grow and mature as an individual, meet many new people and develop friendships, make a better life for my family and become knowledgeable in many areas of Tribal Government. I am dependable, open minded, factual, hardworking and dedicated to serving our Tribal Citizens. I am an Elder of our Tribe and take that responsibility seriously when making decisions and providing guidance. I believe in not only "talking the talk" but walking the walk. Therefore, I feel that my character make me a good candidate for the Office of Tribal Court of Appeals.

I enjoy such things as spending time with my family, crafting, walking, camping and reading.

Office of Appellate Judge Elder

Bernadene Crampton

BIOGRAPHY

My name is Bernadene Crampton. My parents were Frank Crampton and Mamie Bailey. I come from a large family. We lived in Muskegon, Michigan all our lives, although I have travelled a lot. My interest was at first, visiting many locations in the United States. It changed to visiting as many Native Nations as I could. I still have a lot to go. It is very enjoyable learning from other Native people.

Education is two Associate degrees – one in Business Administration and the other General – both from Muskegon Community College. I hold a Bachelor's in Science in Psychology and a Masters of Public Administration from Grand Valley State University.

My experience has been varied. I have two experiences which are very important to me. I was a Child Welfare Social Worker for many years, working exclusively with Native families. The goal was reunification. It was such an honor to be a part of THE PEOPLE's endeavors to make a better life for their families and, therefore, future generations. My favorite quote is Sitting Bull's: "Let's put our Minds together and see what life we can make for our children"

My other experience that I value is making lives comfortable for THE PEOPLE in health situations beyond their control and providing assistance to THE PEOPLE requiring a helping hand temporarily.

All these events helped me as a person in personal growth, for which I am so grateful. This is my abbreviated short story. Please vote for the best candidate.

Joe L. Laporte

It has been an honor to have served on the Appellate Court, serving our Nation and our people. I firmly believe, that as a whole, the Appellate Court has done a very good job at reading, understanding and doing its due diligence to ensure an unbiased and sound decisions that have come before us.

I would be honored and humbled to once again serve on the Appellate Court.

Office of Election Board (three seats)

Terri Burmeister

My name is Terri Burmeister TM# 0979 and I hope to represent LRBOI on the Election Board. I fully understand the necessity of good leadership. We all know our tribal leaders are a result of an election. What better way to serve our tribal community than to ensure that these very elections are honestly and promptly performed. At this stage of my life and career, I do not desire a seat on council. I do wish to guide those who do. Every tribal member has a vested interest in a successful Government. Instead of waiting to hear what is going on within our tribe, I hope to be a part of what is going on.

I am currently employed as an F & B Dining Room Manager at LRCR. This makes me a part of a leadership team that is responsible for over 100 employees. I am Honest, Dependable, Organized, and Fair. I understand there needs to be a balance between business and personal responsibilities. I am a Firm believer in quality of life and I try to supervise that way every day. This has prepared me to handle any adversity that comes my way. I am capable of problem solving and conflict resolution.

To hold a position on the Election Board would be an Honor and a Privilege. I would strive daily to represent our people and the election process in a good way.

Respectfully

Terri Buurmeister

Michael J Ceplina



Hi my name is Michael J. Ceplina

I will be running for the election board. My work background started in 2002 for the tribe as a security officer, treatment plant operator, surveillance operator, tribal councilor and I am presently a surveillance operator. My experience as a tribal councilor making laws will help me be a good election board member. I will make sure the laws are followed and if they aren't to hold the people responsible that break them. I believe in a fair election where everybody gets a chance to vote. If you want a person that will make sure the election is run fair and hold the other election board members accountable vote for me.

Thank You for Your Vote
Michael J Ceplina

Office of Election Board

Laura Echelbarger

ELECTION BOARD



Aanii. My name is Laura Echelbarger, and I am honored to be running for a seat on the Election Board. I would like to ask for your support and vote in this election. For the last several years I have felt a great need to serve my tribe in a greater capacity and I feel that working on the Election Board would be a wonderful way to begin this journey. I have been married for 34 years, have two married children, and four beautiful grandchildren. Family is very important to me, which is why I am so driven to serve my tribal family through a seat on this Election Board.

I have been especially active the last few election seasons and have started attending more of the Election Board work sessions and open meetings this year. I have many ideas that I would like to bring to my seat on the Election Board on behalf of our tribal citizens. I believe our Elections are of the utmost importance and our citizens have a right to a fair and impartial election. It is also important to me that we create the opportunity and encourage our citizens to participate in our election process. I promise to work hard on your behalf with the other seated members to accomplish our collective goals as a tribe.

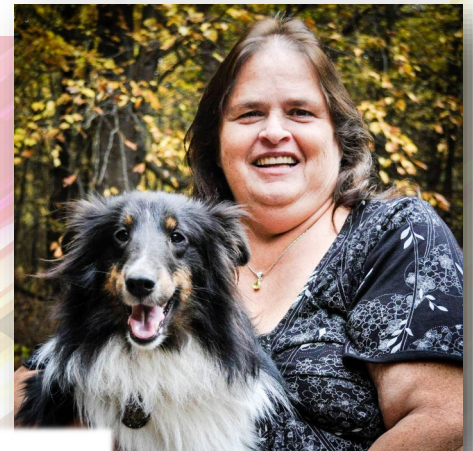
Thank you for your consideration and please contact me if you have any questions at all. Miigwetch!

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Valerie Robinson-McDonnell



Bozhoo.

I, Valerie McDonnell, is announcing my candidacy for re-election to the election board. It has been my privilege to service on the Election Board for the last four years. I have been the chair for the last two years. I am asking you, to vote for me, for the re-election, to the election board. I know how important, it is to vote. Please everyone vote, in this upcoming election for 2021. I have learned a lot about the election process. I am Honest, Dependable, somewhat organized, and fair. Please let me know if you have any questions, and I will do my best to answer them.

Official Results from the Primary Election
The following candidates move to the Regular Election

Nine County

Gary Paul DiPiazza (Sees Bak Tunse), Shirley Wever, Jessica Steinberg,
Susan Thull, Roberta Davis (Battice), Charles Shaw

At-Large

Diane A. Lonn,

Nikki (Bailey) Nelson,

Julie Wolfe

Office of Tribal Council-Nine (two seats)

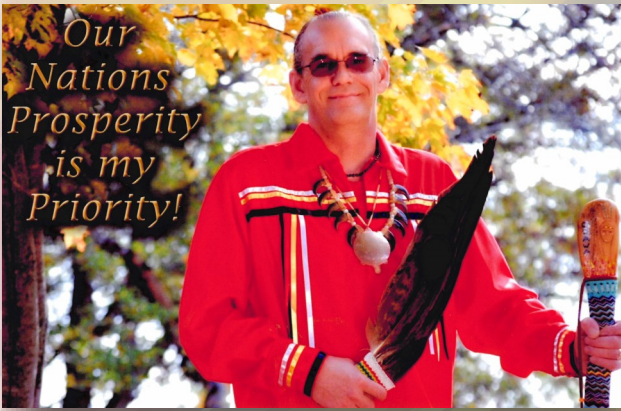
Roberta Davis (Battice)

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Most of you may remember me from when i worked at the Tribal Health Clinic, for those that don't let me tell you a little about myself. My grandfather was the late Robert F Battice and my mother was the late Karla Battice. I have been married to my husband Mike for 24 years, we have two children Jonathan and Olivia. We reside in the mason county area. I am not into all those political promises to get elected, but a couple things I want to work on STOP spending our money unnecessarily. STOP the arguing and fighting amongst each other. We need to get back on track or the future of our tribe for the future of our children. Thank you for your time and I hope I can count on your vote. If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact me at budha18@hotmail.com.

Sincerely-
Roberta Davis

Office of Tribal Council-Nine County



Gary Paul DiPiazza (Sees Bak Tunse)

Ah-Nee

Gary Paul DiPiazza (Sees-Bak-Tunse)

MiigWetch for allowing me to serve you as your 9-County Representative.

During my time serving you, I have brought forward many laws and did away with Columbus Day transforming it into Indigenous Day.

I will continue to push our culture forward, Spring and Fall Teachings, Language Camp and our Round Dance, that I help orchestrate that has become a large function for our young ones to get together.

I set up our Interactive **ZOOM MEETINGS** to help keep our membership better informed.

I brought forward the **CARES ACT FUNDING** Program to help our Members that are in need.

This Coronavirus Pandemic weighs heavy on my heart and mind. Serving as your Tribal Council Recorder, I have been in the office making sure we keep our government running as smoothly as possible.

I serve as the Vice-Chair of CORA and working hard on our 2020 Consent Decree negotiations.

I have helped write our 1836 Hunting and Fishing Regulations to strengthen our treaty rights.

I will continue to fight for our Muskegon casino project for this **WILL HAPPEN** and give us all a better way of life.

I'm a NishNaBah of action and my actions speak louder than those hollow words we hear so often.

I will stand accountable for my actions and I believe I have.

I'm asking for your vote to continue as your 9-County Representative.

MiigWetch Gary Paul DiPiazza (Sees- Bak- Tunse)

Facebook @ Vote Gary Paul DiPiazza

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Charles Shaw

Boozhoo,

I am Chuck Shaw. I was born in Port Huron, the only son of Adam Shaw.

I grew up in Saginaw. Then moved to Bay City to apprentice in construction. In 1999, I opened a sub-contractor business which I owned and operated for 7 years. I brought 20 years of knowledge and experience in construction home to our reservation to work with Muschigon helping to build over a dozen homes at Aki. I have worked for our tribe for 13 years. I've been working in LRBOI Facilities Maintenance for the past 5 years.

I am Bear Clan and a Fire-keeper. Being Bear Clan comes with an inherent responsibility of protecting our people. I am running for Tribal Council 9-County because I see that our people are in need of protecting. Our right to speak is being stifled, our finances are being used to benefit special interest groups, and our leadership dismisses our input. I will protect your right to speak. I will put us first. I will listen to you. I am for our people and our future needs protecting!

I humbly ask for your vote for Tribal Council 9-County,

Chuck Shaw

Office of Tribal Council-Nine County

Jessica Steinberg

Boozhoo! I am Jessica Steinberg, and I am running for a 9-County Council seat. With over 25 years of experience in Tribal Governance, including program services, fiscal management, policy and legislative advocacy, I have worked on national Native Health issues, treaty obligations, sovereignty and rights protections issues in Washington, D. C. on behalf of LRBOI, and Tribes everywhere. While working at Little River Band, I successfully negotiated LRBOI's Tribal Self-Governance agreements with Indian Health Services and Bureau of Indian Affairs, creating stable base funding for many of the Tribe's services.

As a 9-County member of Tribal Council, I would work to create a transparent government. Financial stability, service priorities and citizen inclusion in our government processes must happen. Additionally, Little River Band Citizens First in very employment position, education and training opportunity is a top priority. I would also work to consolidate functions such as facilities, IT and HR, to reduce replicated costs. We also need to promote our Anishinabek culture, and this must become a permanently budgeted and funded action of our Tribe.

My husband Kris and I live in Brethren, Michigan, we have five grown daughters. including two Little River Band Princesses, who are enrolled members of LRBOI.



Boozhoo, I am Susan Thull, and I am running for 9-County Tribal Council. I have actively participated in tribal government meetings and cultural ceremonies and gatherings for many years. I would appreciate your vote.

The Constitution mandates that Council shall promote, protect, and provide for public health, peace, morals, education, and general welfare of the Little River Band. To do this communication is vital between citizens and government. I will work on opening those channels to improve communication and to engage the membership.

We need to know the makeup of our members and it is time to do a comprehensive survey. Using the results, we can review existing programs and initiate new ones to ensure members needs are met.

When Council was contemplating allowing non-members on our Commissions, I advocated for remote participation of members. I believe this pandemic has proven that we can and should be using the technology now available to engage and employ our own people near and far as much as possible.

Council needs to adhere to their Procedures Ordinance. There are too many decisions being made behind closed doors and that needs to be rectified.

Finally, I believe we need better oversight of our Casino, Little River Holdings LLC, and the Shoreline Project (Muskegon Casino). These enterprises need to be held accountable and maintain a strict budget to achieve the goals set for them. Government needs to have a reserve large enough to get us through challenging times.

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Office of Tribal Council-Nine County

Shirley Marie Wever

Dear Tribal Members,

This has been a very unusual year on many levels, but what remains consistent is my involvement with Michigan and the Tribal Organization. I have lived in the Ludington area my entire life. I have been married to my High School Sweetheart for 46 years. I have; I would say, two wonderful boys. My oldest son is married with two little girls and he works in Business/Maintenance and has his own Landscaping Company. My youngest son is in the healthcare field which has his Doctorate, Master's Degree, and is Certified to Teach in Secondary Education: Biology, Chemistry, and Psychology.

Living in Michigan, I have acquired the love for Kayaking, Swimming, Paddleboarding, and Walking/Hiking. I truly love to walk/hike and I am always accompanied by Bruno Mars: My Labrador Puppy. He truly is one of my best friends. He does NOT get dog food and I cook/prepare all his meals daily with LOVE. My other true passion is "Yard Saling". Michigan has some very lovely items and I am extremely grateful for all my treasures I have acquired over the years.

The other consistent aspect is I have been involved/aware of the Tribal Organization since the beginning. I have driven my family to many Elder's Meetings and have acquired a great deal of knowledge of the organization. It would be my pleasure and honor to be part of Tribal Council and to help continue and improve our member's mission.

God Bless and Miigwetch

Shirley M. Wever

There will be in-house voting for the Regular Election in the Lodge

April 30, 2021

1 pm to 5 pm

Office of Tribal Council Outlying (two seats)

Nitumigaabow “Ryan” Champagne



Boozhoo fellow citizens,

I am asking for your support to be your **Outlying Tribal Council Representative**. My parents are Cynthia Champagne (Pete) and Jerome Champagne. My grandparents are Lorraine Ceplina (Pete), Joseph Pete, and Josephine Antoine. I have dedicated my life to serving our people and believe that my experience and belief in our traditions and culture gives me the skills necessary to be an effective legislator.

Experience:

- Entrepreneur – own two companies (consultant and developer firm) for the past decade
- Education – Master in Social Work & Doctorate in Healthcare Administration (attending)
- Policy – wrote policy for Child Welfare Reform; Traditional Healing; Healthcare; Behavioral Health; Housing
- Governance – advocated on a national and regional level for our Treaty Rights; Environmental; Nation Building; Tribal State/Federal Partnerships
- Statesman – First Elected Appellate Justice; Elected Tribal Councilmember; Served on 16 Commissions / Committees / Task Forces / Boards which included advocacy for our children, elders, and addressing disparities in health, mental health, housing, incarceration
- Author / Presenter – 14 publications, 30+ National / Regional Conference Presenter
- Administrator – 15+ years Executive Management

Platform:

- **Propose a 50% Per Capita Plan**
- **Prioritize Funding for Education and Trades Programs that benefit all Citizens**
- **Investment into Our Healthcare for all Citizens**
- **Legalization of Marijuana & Investment into this Industry (i.e. commercial hemp, retail, growing)**

I promise you that I will not sit idle by while our People continue to suffer! Please join me in Building a Brighter Future for the Next Seven Generations!

–Nitumigaabow Ryan Champagne

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Office of Tribal Council Outlying

Shannon Paul Crampton

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Boozhoo, Fellow citizens/members.

I am seeking your approval to represent you as outlying council representative with an undeniable track record of service in Indian country for almost two decades. My works are well documented and my record of service to my constituents is unparalleled thus far and my greatest wish is that my works on behalf of my people are surpassed by future leaders as a natural order of progression.

There is no longer room for frivolous exploration as a Tribe as the current times demand better service to our people more than ever before as the threat is real and no longer avoidable. This Tribe needs to do an about face in a short order of time in service to our people which is the ability I offer you now. My dedication to you is unquestionable my deliverance unto you second to none, I would be honored by your vote for me as your outlying representative.

Respectfully:
Shannon Paul Crampton



Pamela Johnson

Hello, I am Pamela Johnson and I am asking for your vote in the primary election. I am a mother of 2 young tribal citizen men, 23 and 17; and a fur momma to 3 puppy girls. I have a bachelors in Sociology and a minor in Health, Illness and Society from Ferris State University. I am enrolled at Northern Michigan University for a bachelors in Native American Studies. I sit on the Health Commission (12 yrs). I work at the casino (15 yrs).

We need leadership that has a vision for healing our tribe and expanding that healing to our citizens. Our nation is in a pandemic, our leaders should be focusing on what is important to our citizens: healthcare, well-being, unemployment, underemployment, housing, etc. We need to look at Mother Earth to make sure she is protected. We should be protectors of Lake Michigan. However we seem to be one of the last to help protect our waters! Without water there is no life. Food cannot prosper if our land is contaminated. We need to use the natural resources bestowed upon us. We need economic diversification. We can, we will succeed. The time for change is now.

Office of Tribal Council-Outlying

Larry “Ma’iingun Makwa” Olson

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Larry “Ma’iingunMakwa” Olson Ndizhinkaaz,
Mashike Minisi Ndojeba

Im running for the Outlying Council Seat. My mission is to serve all tribal citizens, starting by serving the Outlying citizens first. I will keep all the Outlying citizens informed on all tribal affairs. i will also communicate with all tribal citizens, listening to their concerns and and services or help that they may need. If you decide to vote for me, i will give 100% effort to addressing all your concerns and all tribal issues that we may encounter. I cannot do this job without the support of the tribal citizens and your input.

Miigwech,
Larry “Ma’iingunMakwa” Olson



Antonio Romanelli

ANTONIO ROMANELLI FOR OUTLYING TRIBAL COUNCIL

Antonio Romanelli comes from the Pego family. **Antonio** has dedicated his life to public service for over 30 years, **Antonio** is a public servant not a politician. **Antonio** is married to his wife Cam of almost 5 years. **Antonio** has 8 children, 4 recently adopted and are citizens of LTBB. **Antonio** and his wife are licensed Foster care parents with the State of Michigan and are in the process of adopting 1 more child.

Antonio holds an Associate degree through Muskegon Community College in Criminal Justice and is looking to obtaining his bachelor degree.

Antonio is a dedicated professional who will commit to a 40-hour work week and will hold himself and his fellow council members accountable to advocate for the best interests of our citizens. **Antonio** believes in service before self which means **Antonio** will put all citizens of this tribe before himself when making decisions and will make the best decisions for the tribe as a whole. **Antonio** will submit to background checks and drug tests upon request. **Antonio** has an 800 + credit score through Equifax.

Antonio will represent the tribe in a positive manner both at work and in his personal life. **Antonio** will never use this position for gain, only to progress the future of our tribe. **Antonio** will come dressed for the job and will always represent the tribe in a professional manner.

Office of Tribal Council At-Large (one seat)

Diane A. Lonn



Hi!! My name is Diane A. Lonn. I am running for the AT LARGE SEAT. I have a Bachelors in Business Administration, two Associates, one in Marketing/Management and another in Secretarial Science. I have worked for the tribe for 28 years, mostly in Enrollment. I descend from the Koon and Espiew families.

I have been on Council for the last four years. During my time on Council I was able to push forward the Elders Apartment Complex and to help plan phase two of this plan. I have been working to get the VA in our clinic. This service would be available to all veterans. I have worked hard every year to put on a program at the Casino to Honor all Veterans. It has been a huge success every time and truly appreciated by all veterans. I was instrumental in adding more funds to the car repair, emergency assistance and mortgage assistance programs in Members Assistance.

I have been very active as the Liaison for the Binojeeuk Commission, which works with children and families in need of support from the Tribe. I am also a Liaison for the Enrollment Commission, as well as a Liaison for the Joint Units of Government.

I would like to work on more programs for the Elders and the children, as they are the future of the tribe.

I am in support of the Muskegon Project, which will bring many jobs for our people. I am asking for your vote to continue as **your At Large Representative for four more years.**

Diane A. (Schultz) Lonn

Cell: (231) 510-3199

Aanii!

Nikki (Bailey) Nelson ndizhinikaaz Bear Lake ndoonjibaa Ginew ndoodem

I would be honored to serve you as an at-large representative, I have spent the last several years being a citizen advocate, trying to create and push for programs and services that I think would better my people. I've spent thousands of hours volunteering, which has given me the opportunity to accomplish many things. I have established and maintained a community and elders garden, annual organization of our Sugarbush program, I am regularly volunteering for the elders nutrition program and trying to provide traditional foods, medicines and workshops. I organize our Trunk or Treat annually, and often hold bake sales to help fellow citizens. I've contributed to our Constitution, Election Board regulations, and EDC ventures. I believe in community and our responsibility to each other.

We need to put an emphasis on our language, culture, and our teachings; so that we are successful in everything else we do. It is also important that we look to the future and embrace new ideas and technology that will create a united citizenship; invest in new business ventures, like the exploding legal cannabis hemp market. The economic development decisions need to be put back into a transparent and governmental format. More grants need to be utilized to maximizer dollars. Regular citizen feedback needs to be collective to affectively Taylor programs and services to meet actual needs. Fighting needs to stop.

Food sovereignty. Citizens support. Education. Housing. Equality. Elders support. Children support.

Miigwetch

Nikki (Bailey) Nelson



Office of Tribal Council At-Large

Bozhoo.

Julie Wolfe

I, Julie Wolfe, am announcing my candidacy for at large tribal council representative. I am the daughter of the Late Jacquelyn Kelsey Wolfe, My maternal Grandparents the Late Julius Kelsey and Marion Wabsis-Battice.

My focus will be on creating legislation that meets the needs of all, from the children to elders. I will work hard to increase the communication and transparency between all branches of our government and tribal members, as this is a concern for many. I am a fierce advocate for language, culture, and traditions of our people. I will strive every day to serve diligently, honestly, and most of all equally while being your voice. I will put forth the effort to educate myself on the issues that come before the tribal council while voting based on valid information and reviewing what the impact will be on our nation and our people.

I respectfully ask for your support and your vote in the upcoming election as your next at large tribal council representative. I look forward to listening to your ideas, suggestions, and concerns. Many have said they believe it's time for change, I will do what's right for our people and keep us moving forward. My heart is for our people, our nation, and keeping us strong for our future generations. I will stand for our people always as I believe it is important to remember why we are elected and that is to represent the people who put me into office. Miigwech

Primary Election Totals

Total Ballots Mailed	3,780	
Total Ballots returned	993	
Ballot Empty	1	
Total Ballots counted	992	
Nine County	480	out of 1546
Outlying Counties	513	out of 2234
Undeliverable	52	



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Good luck to all candidates

Thank you for voting