2011 Sac and Fox Nation Election Dates to Remember

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Primary Election: July 23, 2011

Section 201. Election Days

(c) Any such Primary Election shall be held at least thirty (30) days prior to the regular General Election.

General Election: August 27, 2011

Section 201. Election Days

(a) Regular General Elections of members of the Business Committee and Grievance Committee shall be held on the last Saturday in August of each election year. All other required Tribal elections shall be held upon call of the Business Committee.

Section 205. Polling Places

(b) The Election Board shall have the authority to have Cushing, be designated as an additional polling place provided, that such designation shall be published in the Tribal Newsletter and posted in the Tribal Offices thirty (30) ***calendar*** days prior to said election.
Published in Sac and Fox Nation Newsletter; Posted in tribal offices
Primary Election: Post by: Thursday, June 23, 2011
General Election: Post by: Thursday, July 28, 2011

Section 208. Poll Watchers

Each candidate may designate in writing one person, not a candidate, to watch the activities at the polls. Such designation shall be presented to Election Board Officials prior to the election. Such persons may not interfere in any way with the conduct of the election, but may observe only. Any poll watcher interfering with the election or attempting to electioneer, in any way, shall be rejected from the poll area by a Sergeant of Arms or law enforcement officer.

Primary Election: Notification of Poll Watchers for the Primary Election must be in writing and received by mail eight (8) days prior to the election.
DEADLINE: Friday, July 15, 2011, 4:30 p.m.
General Election: Notification of Poll Watchers for the General Election must be in writing and received by mail eight (8) days prior to the election.
DEADLINE: Friday, August 19, 2011, 4:30 p.m.
All notifications must be sent to the Sac and Fox Nation Election Board, 920883 S. Hwy 99, Bldg. A, Stroud, OK 74079

Section 302. Voting List

(a) It shall be the duty of the Tribal Secretary to compile from the Tribal membership rolls a list of all persons who will be eligible voters on the date scheduled for the Primary Election and General Election and to present sufficient certified copies of this list as requested to the Election Board no later than sixty (60) days prior to the Primary Election and no later than sixty (60) days prior to the General Election. The said copies are to be returned to the Tribal Secretary.

Deadline for Voting List: Primary Election: Tuesday, May 24, 2011, 4:30 p.m.
General Election: Tuesday, June 28, 2011, 4:30 p.m.

No other revised lists will be accepted after the deadline date. All additions to the voting list must follow the process outlined in Section 303 Challenges to Voting List.

(b) One copy of the voting list shall be maintained in the Tribal Office and be open to public inspection during Regular business hours no later than sixty (60) days prior to the election.
Open to the public: Primary Election: Tuesday, May 24, 2011
General Election: Tuesday, June 28, 2011

Section 303 Challenges to Voting Lists

(a) At any time more than twenty (20) days before the Primary Election and General Election, any person may challenge the voting eligibility of any person whose name appears on said list, or may apply to have their name added to said list by filing an application with the Election Board. The application shall clearly indicate the substance of the challenge, the specific names challenged, and the relief requested.
Deadline for Challenges: Primary Election: Friday, July 1, 2011
General Election: Friday, August 5, 2011

Section 402. Filing for Office

To be eligible for election and have one's name placed upon the ballot Notice of Candidacy for an elective office must be filed with: The Tribal Secretary after depositing the candidate's non-refundable filing fee of two hundred dollars ($200.00) (cashiers check only) with the Tribal Treasurer during regular business hours at the Tribal Office complex not later than sixty-five (65) calendar days prior to the date of the Primary Election and General Election. The Tribal Secretary shall notify the Chairman of the Election Board of all candidates who have filed for office.

Opening Date to File for Office: January 3, 2011
Closing Date for Primary Election: Thursday, May 19, 2011, 4:30 p.m.
If No Primary Election is held, Closing Date for General Election: (*Only if no one files for one office)* Thursday, June 23, 2011, 4:30 p.m.

Section 403. Petition for Office

A petition of ten (10) or more members of Council may submit a written notice with required filing fees of two-hundred ($200.00) non-refundable (cashiers check only), no later than sixty-five (65) calendar days prior to the date of the Primary Election and/or General Election stating the name of the candidate, age, birth date, and proof of actual residence and domicile.

Deadline to Petition for Office: Primary Election: Thursday, May 19, 2011, 4:30 p.m.
If No Primary Election is held, Closing Date for General Election: *(Only if no one files for one office)* Thursday, June 23, 2011, 4:30 p.m.

Section 406. Withdrawals

Any candidate for office may withdraw by filing a written notice of withdrawal with the Election Board at any time within ten (10) days after the closing date of filing for office. Such notice shall contain the candidates name, the office filed for, a statement of withdrawal and shall be notarized or sworn to before a person authorized to administer oaths. (Required filing fee non-refundable)

Deadline to withdraw: Primary Election: Friday, May 27, 2011, 4:30 p.m.
General Election: Friday, July 1, 2011, 4:30 p.m.

Section 408. Contest of Candidate Eligibility

Any candidate or eligible voter may challenge a candidate's legal qualifications to run for office by filing a written petition with the Election Board within three (3) business days of the closing of the filing period. Each petition shall state with particularity the reasons the candidate is not eligible to file for office. There is a one-hundred dollars ($100.00) non-refundable cashier's check contest fee.

Deadline to contest Candidate Eligibility: Primary Election: Tuesday, May 24, 2011 by 4:30 p.m.
General Election: Tuesday, June 28, 2011 by 4:30 p.m.

Section 602. Application for Absentee Ballot

Qualified voters wishing to cast vote by absentee ballots shall notify the Election Board not sooner than ninety (90) days and not later than thirty (30) days prior to the election. Such notices must be in writing and must include the correct mailing address of the person making the request. Only one ballot per written request.

Opening date to request an absentee ballot: Primary Election: Monday, April 25, 2011, 4:30 p.m.
Deadline to request an absentee ballot: Thursday, June 23, 2011, 4:30 p.m.
Opening date to request an absentee ballot: General Election: Tuesday, May 31, 2011, 4:30 p.m.
Deadline to request an absentee ballot: Thursday, July 28, 2011, 4:30 p.m.

Section 603. Delivery of Absentee Ballot

As soon as the filing period for candidates has closed sixty-five (65) calendar days before the election, the Election Board will prepare a special ballot and send one to each qualified voter who has requested same. The Election Board shall maintain an accurate record of all absentee ballots so issued, including the name and address of the voter to whom the ballot was issued and the date of issue.

Primary Election: Thursday, May 19, 2011, 4:30 p.m.
General Election: Thursday, June 23, 2011, 4:30 p.m.

Section 706. The Tally

The Election Board shall unlock the ballot box (es), shall remove the ballots one by one, and as each one is removed, the clerks shall read off the names of the candidates marked thereupon. At least two election officials shall view each ballot, and each counter shall keep a separate tally of the votes cast. Each candidate may select a watcher of their choice, not a candidate, to observe and keep a separate record of the tally of the ballots, and who shall not interfere with the tally process. After the tally is complete, all ballots, absentee ballots, voter registers, and ballot boxes shall be transported to the Sac and Fox Nation Tribal Court House.

Primary Election: Notification of Tally Watchers for the Primary Election must be in writing and received by mail eight (8) days prior to the election.
DEADLINE: Friday, July 15, 2011, 4:30 p.m.
General Election: Notification of Poll Watchers for the General Election must be in writing and received by mail eight (8) days prior to the election.
DEADLINE: Friday, August 19, 2011, 4:30 p.m.
All notifications must be sent to the Sac and Fox Nation Election Board, 920883 S. Hwy 99, Bldg. A, Stroud, OK 74079

Section 710. Certification of Election

The election shall be certified by the Election Board immediately after the ten (10) day period for filing an election contest expires, provided, that if an election contest petition is filed within the time period allowed, then no Certificate of Election shall be issued until after such election contest is finally decided.

Certification of Primary Election: If the tally is completed on Saturday, July 23, 2011, certification is on Tuesday, August 2, 2011
If the tally is completed on Sunday, July 24, 2011, certification is on Wednesday, August 3, 2011
Certification of General Election: If the tally is completed on Saturday, August 27, 2011, certification is on Tuesday, September 6, 2011
If the tally is completed on Sunday, August 28, 2011, certification is on Wednesday, September 7, 2011

Section 713. Installment in Office

Successful candidates for office whose election results are uncontested or are not involved in a run-off election shall be sworn in within ten (l0) working days of the certified date, or, if there has been a delay due to election contests, run-off elections, special elections, or other cause, then as soon as reasonably practical after the election results are certified.

Primary Election: If the tally is completed on Saturday, July 23, 2011.
Installment by Tuesday, August 16, 2011.
If the tally is completed on Sunday, July 24, 2011.
Installment by Wednesday, August 17, 2011.
General Election: If the tally is completed on Saturday, August 27, 2011.
Installment by Tuesday, September 20, 2011.
If the tally is completed on Sunday, August 28, 2011.
Installment by Wednesday, September 21, 2011.

Section 802. Contest Petition

A candidate or qualified voter contesting a Tribal Election shall, within ten (10) days after completion of the tally of the election and declaration of the results, shall deposit a two hundred dollar ($200.00) non-refundable cashier's check contest filing fee with the Tribal Treasurer, file with the Election Board a statement in writing setting forth their particular grounds for the contest. The statement shall be verified by affidavit of the contestor (s) that they believe the matters and things therein contained are true. After the statement is filed the Election Board shall set a time for a hearing of the contest, no later than ten (10) days after the date on which the statement of contest was filed. Written notice of such hearing shall be mailed or delivered to each candidate for the office contested. Any party to the election protest and the Election Board shall have the right to view the election ballots and records in the presence of the Court Clerk in the clerk's office. Any party to the protest or a Tribal member shall be entitled to receive a photocopy of said documents certified as true and correct copies by the Court Clerk upon payment to said clerk of the normal and customary charges.

Said certified copies shall be received as evidence by the Election Board in like manner as an original. Alternatively the Election Board, upon request of a party or on its own motion, may convene a hearing for any protested election at the Tribal Courthouse for the purpose of review of said election materials. After hearing the proofs and allegations of the contestants, the Election Board shall make their findings and shall have authority to pronounce their judgment either setting aside, or confirming the election.

The Contest Petition deadline:
***Primary Election:* If the tally is completed on Saturday, July 23, 2011**
The Contest Petition deadline date: Tuesday, August 2, 2011, 4:30 p.m.
If the tally is completed on Sunday, July 24, 2011
The Contest Petition deadline date: Wednesday, August 3, 2011, 4:30 p.m.
***General Election:* If the tally is completed on Saturday, August 27, 2011**
The Contest Petition deadline date: Tuesday, September 6, 2011, 4:30 p.m.
If the tally is completed on Sunday, August 28, 2011
The Contest Petition deadline date: Wednesday, September 7, 2011, 4:30 p.m.

Section 805. Request for Recount

Since the Election Ordinance provides for automatic recount of ballots, any request for recount of ballots must list the reasons therefore in writing and be submitted to the Election Board Chairman, or the Chairman's designated representative within five (5) days after the election. Such request must be accompanied by a non-refundable cashier's check of two-hundred dollars ($200.00) made payable to the Sac and Fox Nation. Said check shall be forwarded to the Tribal Secretary-Treasurer to be credited against the cost of the recount. The Election Board shall meet and decide within ten (10) days of receipt of the notice whether or not the reasons listed in the request are sufficient to cause a recount of ballots.

Primary Election: The deadline date to request a recount: Thursday, July 28, 2011, 4:30 p.m.
General Election: The deadline date to request a recount: Thursday, September 1, 2011, 4:30 p.m.

Sac & Fox Nation Casino is accepting applications. High school diploma or GED required. Applicants must successfully pass OSBI/National Background check and Drug Screen. Preference in hiring is given to qualified Native Americans. Must provide CDIB if claiming preference. Please visit our web site for application and job descriptions www.sandfcasino.com <http://www.sandfcasino.com> Applications are also available at Sac & Fox Nation Casino.