



*Advancing Business – Connecting Community – Securing Our Future*

## **BOARD OF DIRECTORS INFORMATION**

The Tahlequah Area Chamber of Commerce, hereafter referred to as TACC, is a local association promoting business, growing community, improving the economy and enhancing the quality of life in the Tahlequah area. The TACC board is comprised of 16 elected directors, 3 affiliate directors and 3 nonvoting associate directors. Five director seats comprise the Executive Committee: Chairman, Chairman Elect, Past Chairman, Treasurer and Secretary. The board of directors meet the fourth Tuesday of each month beginning at 8:00 a.m. at the Tahlequah Area Chamber office located at 123 W. Delaware St.

## **DIRECTOR ELECTION PROCESS**

Director candidates must be TACC members in good standing and are required to complete an application and go through an interview process with the TACC Nominating Committee. The Nominating Committee completes a candidate slate, which is submitted to the entire TACC membership for input and additions. The finalized slate is submitted to the board for election with the candidates receiving the most votes winning the open seats. A meet and greet will be organized between the candidates on the final slate and the board of directors.

## **DIRECTOR TERMS**

Terms for each elected director run for a period of three years. Directors who have completed a three-year term shall be eligible for re-election to a second three-year term. To serve additional terms, one year must pass before seeking re-election. Board terms begin July 1.

## **DIRECTOR RESPONSIBILITIES**

- Serve as TACC ambassadors by inviting colleagues to events, introducing the organization to potential members and promoting the organization through their connections and channels.
- Provide fiscal oversight, management and governance of TACC, including establishing policies and procedures.
- Attend mandatory annual board training to ensure complete understanding of their role and all applicable bylaws, policies, organizational requirements and laws.
- Attend regular and special board meetings, voice your opinion openly and accept the majority's decision. Any director absent from three consecutive meetings shall be automatically dropped from the board position unless excused due to illness or approved by a majority vote of the board.
- Attend TACC events and support those events as needed, including fundraising, event setup and/or cleanup, guest welcome, membership engagement and networking facilitation.
- Financially support TACC by connecting staff with potential sponsors and/or by advertising, sponsoring, hosting events and donating auction items.
- Participate actively on TACC committees in furthering TACC's mission and eventually serve as committee chair or board officer.

## **CURRENT BOARD OF DIRECTORS – 2018/19**

Chairman - Rusty Clark, Cherokee County Election Board  
Chairman-Elect – Steven Wright, Century 21 Wright Real Estate  
Treasurer - Jessie Hughes, Jessie Hughes Accounting  
Secretary – Sue Catron, Individual  
Past Chairman – Todd Mutzig, Meigs Jewelry  
Arielle Barnett, Bank of Cherokee County  
Jim Berry, Northeastern Health Systems  
Mary Bower, Northeastern State University  
Marcus Bruner, NEO Health  
Kelly Callaway, First State Bank  
Dower Combs, Individual Member  
Rian Cragar, Tahlequah Main Street Association

Freddie Ferrell, Insurance Professionals of OK  
Stephen Highers, City of Tahlequah  
Grant Lloyd, Lloyd Legal PLLC  
Anna Knight, Cherokee Nation  
Genny Maiden, Terrapin Peak Bed & Breakfast  
Josh Poindexter, Cherokee Nation Entertainment  
Denisse Ramos, The Kickin' Taco Truck  
Russell Sain, Individual  
Michael Stopp, Individual Member  
Jill Taylor, Cherokee Nation  
Ryan Tinsley, Property Solutions/ReMax

Return completed applications to [admin@tahlequahchamber.com](mailto:admin@tahlequahchamber.com) or deliver to the Chamber office.

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**PERSONAL DATA**

<b>Name:</b>						<b>Nickname:</b>	
<b>Mailing Address</b> (Street, City, State, Zip):							
<b>Check Contact Preference:</b>							
Cell	Home	Work	Fax	Other			
<b>Business:</b>						<b>Field:</b>	
<b>Job Title (Occupation):</b>						<b>Area:</b>	
<b>Education:</b>	High School Graduate	Bachelors	Masters	Doctorate	Licenses	Certificate/Technology	
<b>Age:</b>	18-29	30-39	40-49	50-59	60-69	70+	<b>Gender:</b> Male Female
<b>Ethnicity/Race:</b>							
African American/Black		Asian/Pacific Islander		Caucasian		Hispanic/Latino Native American Tribe:	

**CAPACITY / CAPABILITIES**

<p><b>I can provide the following Resources:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Money to Donate</li> <li>Access to Money</li> <li>Access to Other Resources</li> <li>Availability for Active Participation</li> <li>Will help Raise Money</li> <li>Fundraising Experience</li> <li>Special Event Experience</li> </ul>			<p><b>I can provide the following Connections:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Community Organizations</li> <li>Religious Organizations</li> <li>Corporate</li> <li>Education</li> <li>Media</li> <li>Political</li> <li>Philanthropy</li> <li>Small Business</li> </ul>			<p><b>I possess the following Qualities:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Leadership Skills/Motivator</li> <li>Willingness to Work/Availability</li> <li>Personal Connections</li> <li>Personal Style</li> <li>Consensus Builder</li> <li>Good Communicator</li> <li>Strategist</li> <li>Visionary</li> <li>Relationship Builder/Connector</li> </ul>		
<p><b>I have the following Areas of Expertise:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Academic / Education</li> <li>Accounting</li> <li>Administration / Management</li> <li>Arts</li> <li>Civic</li> <li>Community Contacts</li> <li>Community Development</li> <li>Entrepreneurship</li> <li>Environmental</li> <li>Financial Management</li> <li>Fundraising</li> <li>Government</li> <li>Human Resources</li> </ul>			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Human Rights</li> <li>Investments</li> <li>Law</li> <li>Legislative / Advocacy</li> <li>Marketing / Public Relations</li> <li>Physical Plant (Engineer, Architect)</li> <li>Programs / Training</li> <li>Real Estate</li> <li>Representative of Membership</li> <li>Social Services</li> <li>Strategic Planning</li> <li>Technology</li> <li>Tribal Program / Affiliation</li> </ul>			<p><b>I would be interested in serving on the following committee/committees:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ambassadors</li> <li>Audit Committee</li> <li>Communications Task Force</li> <li>Economic Development Committee</li> <li>Finance Committee</li> <li>Governance Committee</li> <li>Leadership Tahlequah</li> <li>Membership Development Committee</li> <li>MyTahlequah</li> <li>Small Business Development Committee</li> <li>Tourism Council</li> </ul>		
<b>Areas of Expertise you feel would contribute to our Board:</b>								
<b>Relevant community/volunteer experience or special interests:</b>								
<b>Why are you interested in serving on the Tahlequah Area Chamber of Commerce Board?</b>								
<b>Anything you would like the Board to know about you?</b>								