

## OK VOTER GUIDE – Special Elections April 1, 2025

(early voting - March 27 & 28, 2025 (8 am to 6 pm)

NOTE: This voter guide provides our recommendations in Oklahoma elections in which we are familiar. There are some races that we may miss or don't have the information needed to make a suggestion. We cover Tulsa County/Wagoner County areas more extensively, but do our best to cover the major elections in other counties and across the state.

# HERE ARE OUR RECOMMENDATIONS for the April 1 special elections for the areas I have info.

#### BEFORE YOU SCROLL THROUGH THE GUIDE PLEASE READ:

Voters need to be discerning. The most recent strategy by Democrats is to switch Party affiliations and run as Republicans. This happened just recently in Tulsa County as far-left liberal Tulsa City Councilor Lori Dector-Wright changed her affiliation to an "R." While she now calls herself a Republican the "R" stands for RINO – Republican in name only. Will voters pay attention or just look for the "R" or "D" and vote accordingly?

Please do not vote blindly, but research candidates and vote for those who actually vote and stand for your personal political beliefs.

## THE DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE DEMOCRAT AND REPUBLICAN PLATFORMS

Unsure whether to vote Republican or Democrat? What are the differences in platform? LOTS. Know who and what you are voting for. <u>Click here</u> to read the Platform comparisons.

## **OKLAHOMA SENATE RACE:**

(For: Creek, McIntosh, Muskogee, Okfuskee, Okmulgee Counties)

Senate Dist 8 - Republican Primary Runoff

#### • MY CHOICE – Bryan Logan

Small business owner, local area pastor, and agriculture producer. He is the County president and local #462 president of American Farmers and Ranchers Insurance Okfuskee County Chapter Board. He is committed to not accept lobbyist or PAC money so he will work for his constituents, not for lobbyists.

## David Nelson

He seems to hang his qualifications almost exclusively on his past military experience which included being a Blackhawk Pilot. However, his work experience after that a little sketchy as what is on his flyers compared to FB don't match. He worked for a refiner of process oils and now an LLC that has no website. What we do know is he was given \$300K in PAC money while he claims he can't be bought—but just was.

The general election will be May 13 which will include:

- Winner from the Republican Runoff
- Nathan Brewer (D)
- Steve Sandford (I)

## **ADAIR COUNTY**

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## CREEK COUNTY

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#### **Mannford Board of Trustees**

## • Clay Abercrombie

Current mayor of Mannford, he recently declared a state of emergency due to wild fires. He was previously the vice mayor. Lexie Dorius, also running for this position, described Clay as a "strong advocate for our community and a huge help bridging the gap between the City and the Chamber."

#### Lexie Dorius

Raised in Mannford wants a transparent government that allows citizens to be informed and involved, smart growth which would support local businesses and help improve infrastructure. With the recent fires in the area, she has been involved in fundraising and volunteering for those affected.

#### Jeff Widener

Member of the Planning Commission Board who will continue to hold the seat even if elected as a trustee.

#### Kevin Burke

No additional information found

#### **Keifer Public School Board**

#### MY CHOICE - Eric Watson

He is the incumbent running for re-election. He is a Trump supporter whose mission is to ensure students receive a high-quality, education, promote new programs to prepare students for the future and listen to the concerns and ideas of the community

## • Amber Sommer

A graduate of OSU with 15 years of accounting and business experience. She has been a coach and volunteered in community programs. She is running on transparency in the schools, supporting school staff, ensuring the success of the Kiefer school district, supporting athletics and extra-curricular activities, etc.

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## **KAY COUNTY**

#### PONCA CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Board Member - Office No. 5

- My Choice Joe Vaden Jr.
- Sean Stanton

## **MCINTOSH COUNTY**

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- Christie Bob

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## **NOBLE COUNTY**

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## **OKFUSKEE COUNTY**

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## OKMULGEE COUNTY

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## **COUNTY COMMISSIONER DISTRICT NO. 1 (Unexpired Term)**

- MY CHOICE Ernie Ferreira R
- Barbara Cooks D

• Chip Smalley – I

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## ROGERS COUNTY

STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 74 (Unexpired Term)

MY CHOICE – Maggie Stearman - R

Stearman is a former teacher and girl's coach. She and her husband are also foster parents. She grew up in politics with an understanding of the need to have good elected officials as her mom, Wendi Stearman, served in the Oklahoma House of Representatives. She was the field organizer for the Republican Party of Pennsylvania in 2022. She is refusing lobbyist and PAC money to remain true to her constituents.

## • Brad Peixotto – R

Ran for this position in 2018 and 2020 and then ran for senate in 2022. He is a small business owner that runs World of Weed in Collinsville.

#### Kevin Norwood – R

Has worked in ministry much of his life in mentoring programs for young people, speaking at school assemblies and has volunteered extensively in the Owasso community. He holds an earned Doctor of Leadership degree in Leadership and Global Perspectives from Portland Seminary at George Fox University in Portland, Oregon.

#### • Sheila Vancuren – R

Is the wife of Mark Vancuren who is vacating his seat and used CAMP to run his campaign which has been traditionally known to back Establishment candidates. She is a realtor.

## Johnathon Shepherd – R

Has served as a Marine and worked to help other vets transition into civilian life via his work as the Director of Eagle OPS Foundation.

## • Amy Hossain - D

She is the only Democrat who filed for this race and is the Human Resources director for Domestic Violence Intervention Services.

## CITY OF CATOOSA

## COUNCILMEMBER - COUNCILMEMBER, WARD NO. 1

- Brenda Conley
- Debra Benight
- Doug Tiffany

No great candidate in my opinion. If I had to vote would prob go with Conley.

## CITY OF CLAREMORE

#### **COUNCILMEMBER - COUNCILMEMBER WARD 1**

- MY CHOICE Kristi Saul
- Melissa Cottom

## **COUNCILMEMBER - COUNCILMEMBER WARD 2 (Unexpired Term)**

- MY CHOICE Michael Barone
- Brian Callender

## **SEQUOYAH COUNTY**

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## **TULSA COUNTY**

STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 71 - Republican (Unexpired Term)

## • MY CHOICE - Heidemarie Fuentes - R

In my opinion, Heidi is the only true conservative in this race and perhaps the least funded as she was one of the last to file and doesn't take dark money/PAC money and won't be run by lobbyists. Has a Masters degree in Organizational Management and a degree in Business Administration & Management. A primary focus for running is to reduce crime which she said in OK starts by getting rid of the legalized theft from retail stores of up \$999 legislation so that theft is once again prosecuted.

## Beverly Atteberry – R

Is a Tulsa area attorney whose website states she her expertise is in expungements, pardons and criminal law. She ran for this position previously in both 2018 and 2020.

#### • Tania Garza – R

Works for Tulsa Remote which focuses on attracting workers from other states to move to Tulsa to bring more diversity.

## STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 71 – Democrat (Unexpired Term)

#### Dennis Baker – D

Is a former Tulsa police officer, and former FBI agent. He is an attorney and ran for Congress last year.

#### Hudson Harder – D

Is a standup comedian. Can't find much else on him. He wants a "fully funded" public schools. Not sure what that means since in 2025 schools will receive \$857.2 billion total (\$17,277 per pupil) annually. More money isn't the answer. Using the money wisely is.

## Ben Riggs – D

High school teacher at Charles Page High School in Sand Springs. Endorsed by Karen Keith.

#### Amanda Clinton – D

Is a PR consultant who worked as the communications director on the mayoral campaign for Monroe Nichols. She also serves on the board of Planned Parenthood in Eastern Oklahoma.

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#### Tulsa Tech Center Office No. 2

- MY CHOICE Rick Kibbe I
- Todd Blackburn D

## **CITY OF JENKS**

## **COUNCILMEMBER - COUNCILMEMBER, WARD NO. 6**

- MY CHOICE CATHERINE LENHART R
- CORY BOX

## WAGONER COUNTY

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## Please don't forget to vote April 1!

Please recognize if you don't vote, it IS actually a vote to allow corruption to prevail and dishonoring the hard fought freedom to vote. We do the homework with these voter guides to help encourage people to vote and showing our choices.

PLEASE GET OUT AND VOTE--hopefully with our guide.

#### PRAY FOR THE NOVEMBER ELECTIONS

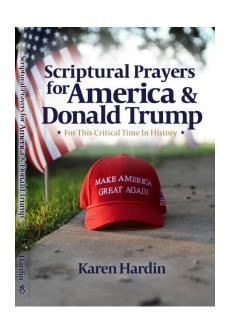
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