

# **PONCA TRIBE OF NEBRASKA COMMITTEE/BOARD MEMBERS**

## **TRIBAL COUNCIL**

Candace Schmidt – Chairwoman  
Angie Starkel – Vice Chairwoman/District #1  
Shanna Carpenter – Secretary/District #3  
Kyle Taylor – Treasurer/District #4  
Patrick Lamoureux – District #1  
Samantha Gallagher – District #2  
Falon McAlpin – District #2  
Susan Baker – District #3  
Alex Taylor – District #4

## **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Candace Schmidt, Chairwoman  
Angie Starkel, Vice Chairwoman  
Shanna Carpenter, Secretary  
Kyle Taylor, Treasurer

## **ENROLLMENT COMMITTEE**

**(All terms expire 2/01/27)**

Beth DeCory – Chairwoman  
Sheila Curtis  
Joey Nathan – Secretary  
Kevin Frazier – Vice Chair  
Patrick Lamoureux, Council Member

## **LANGUAGE & CULTURE COMMITTEE** (staggered 3-year term)

Stacey Zephier – District 1 – Niobrara (term 3/1/26)  
Sheila Curtis – District 1 – Niobrara (term 3/1/27) Chairwoman  
Carrie Voss – District 2 – Omaha (term 3/1/27)  
Belva Phillips – District 3 – Lincoln (term 3/1/26) – Treasurer  
Demetri Zephier – District 4 Norfolk (term 3/1/28) Vice Chairman  
Kimberly Yunker – At-Large – Lyons (term 3/1/28)  
**VACANT** – OSDA (term 3/1/27) – Secretary *advertising, deadline 5/7/25*

**POWWOW COMMITTEE** (Staggered 3 year terms)

Taylor White (term expires 9/30/27) – Treasurer  
Jason Chytka (term expires 9/30/27)  
Calista Foster (term expires 9/30/27) – Secretary  
Britnie Okeefe (term expires 9/30/26) – Vice Chairwoman  
Leah Franklin (term expires 9/30/26) – Chairwoman  
Samson Mercier (term expires 9/30/25)  
Dawn Mercier (term expires 9/30/25)

**EDUCATION COMMITTEE**

Alex Taylor  
Kyle Taylor  
Falon McAlpin  
Susie Baker  
Samantha Gallagher

**EDUCATIONAL TRUST COMMITTEE**

Alex Taylor  
Kyle Taylor  
Falon McAlpin  
Susie Baker  
Samantha Gallagher  
UNL Representative

**INTER-TRIBAL BISON COOPERATIVE**

Representative: Council Vice Chairwoman Angie Starkel / Alternate: Larry Wright, Sr.

**NATIONAL CONGRESS OF AMERICAN INDIANS**

All Tribal Council are delegated

**ELECTION BOARD**

Amanda Taylor (District 1 – Term 2/1/29)  
James LaPointe (District 2 – Term 2/1/27) – Secretary  
Charley James (District 3 – Term 2/1/29)  
Rhonda Oestreich – (District 4 – Term 2/1/27) – Chairwoman  
**VACANT** (At Large – Term 2/1/29) *advertising, deadline 5/1/25*

**OSNI PONCA BOARD**

Jeremy Wright – Term 9/1/25 – Chairman  
Jacob Olsufka – Term 9/1/26 – Vice Chairman  
Vincent Gonzales – Term 9/1/25 – Secretary  
Barbara Kintz – Term 9/1/26 – Treasurer  
Jamison Johnson – Term 9/1/26

**NEBRASKA INDIAN COMMISSION**

Shanna Carpenter, Council Member  
Kyle Taylor, Council Member

**GAMING COMMISSION**

Chris Legband (term 12/1/25)  
Mark Peniska, Jr. (term 12/1/26) – Chairman  
William Wright (term 12/1/27)  
JoAn Schlotman (term 12/1/28)

**PONCA TAX COMMISSION**

Jeremy Wright (term 4/24/27)  
Aidan Queen (term 4/24/25) – Chairman *advertising, deadline 4/2/25*  
Marshall Prichard (term 4/24/26)  
Cheryl Stone (term 4/24/28) – Secretary  
James Hansen (term 4/24/28)

**EX-OFFICIO**

Kyle Taylor, Treasurer of TC

**PEDCO**

Jeremy Wright – Term 9/1/25  
Jacob Olsufka – Term 9/1/26 – Treasurer  
Vincent Gonzales – Term 9/1/25 – Vice Chairman  
Barbara Kintz – Term 9/1/26 – Secretary  
Jamison Johnson – Term 9/1/26 – Chairman

**NORTHERN PONCA HOUSING AUTHORITY**

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS** (staggered 4-year term)

Pam Noyes                      Position #1 – District 2 – Term Expires 5/31/27 – Chairwoman  
Jamie Lemus                    Position #2 – District 4 – Term Expires 5/31/28 – Treasurer  
Raven Perales                 Position #3 – District 1 – Term Expires 5/31/25 *advertising, deadline 5/7/25*  
Christopher Keifer            Position #4 – District 3 – Term Expires 5/31/26 – Vice Chairman  
Christine Legband            Position #5 – At Large – Term Expires 5/31/26 – Secretary

### **DONATIONS COMMITTEE**

Susie Baker – Chairwoman, TC Rep.  
Samantha Gallagher – Vice Chairwoman, TC Rep.  
Jan Colwell – TC Exec. Asst.  
Greg Gunderson – CFO  
Courtney Chavez – CEO-TA

#### **Alternates:**

Jamie Doerr – Deputy Finance Dr.  
Alexcia Boggs – DDTA

### **YOUTH COUNCIL**

Maci Schott – Chairwoman - Term Expires 8/8/26  
Ben Schott - Secretary - Term expires 8/8/26  
Sofia Hegstrom – Treasurer - Term expires 8/8/25  
Claudia Villegas – Term expires 8/8/25  
Tate Bair – Term expires 8/8/27  
Shelby Gracey – Term expires 8/8/27  
Aliyah Taylor - Term expires 8/8/25  
Destiny Rich – Term expires 8/8/26  
Eli Boggs – Term expires 8/8/27  
Megan Baker - Term expires 8/8/27  
**Advisors** – Shanna Carpenter & Patrick Lamoureux

### **LAW AND JUSTICE COMMITTEE**

Alex Taylor, TC Rep.  
Susan Baker, TC Rep.  
Shanna Carpenter, TC Rep.  
Stephanie Pospisil, Social Service Director  
Janet Custer, Substance Abuse/Mental Health Counselor  
Keith Morrow – CEO (Health Rep.)  
Courtney Chavez – (CEO-Tribal Affairs)  
Angelica De Anda, NPHA  
Rebecca Sullivan, (CEO – Osni)  
Deidre Rivera, Grants Director  
Ruthanne Gallup, Tribal Court Administrator  
Jonathan Robinson, HR Director  
Patrick Runge (Member from Legal Area)  
G Galicia Drapeau (Culture Director)  
Christine Legband – Tribal Member  
Robin Wright, Tribal Member  
Rhonda Oestreich, Tribal Member  
Jamie Lemus, Tribal Member  
Mark Peniska, Tribal Member

**ELDERS COMMITTEE (all terms 1/13/29)**

Rita Pitzer – District 1  
JoAn Schlotman – District 1 – Secretary  
Roseanne Birdhead – District 2 – Vice Chairwoman  
Diana Vallier – District 2  
Mark Peniska, Jr. – District 3  
Pearl Laravie – District 3  
William Wright – District 4  
Debbie Robinette – District 4 – Chairwoman  
Gary Johnson – OSDA Rep.  
Dana Hansen – OSDA Rep. – Treasurer  
Stella Branstiter – At-Large

**LIQUOR CONTROL BOARD**

Susan Baker, Chairperson  
Shanna Carpenter  
Candace Schmidt  
Kyle Taylor  
Angie Starkel

**INDIAN CHILD WELFARE ADVISORY BOARD (ICWAB) (2-yr. term)**

Courtney Chavez – Deputy Director TA – Chairwoman  
Stephanie Pospisil – Social Services Director  
LuAnne Even – Chief Behavioral Health Officer  
Galicia Drapeau – Culture Director  
Falon McAlpin – Tribal Council Rep. (term 1/31/27)  
Shanna Carpenter – Tribal Council Rep. (term 1/31/27)  
Haily Lipps Member (term 5/31/25) – Secretary *advertising, deadline May 7*  
Rhonda Oestreich Member – (term 5/31/27)

**(EX-OFFICIO CAPACITY)**

Susan Baker

**HEALTH COMMITTEE**

Shanna Carpenter  
Falon McAlpin  
Susie Baker  
Keith Morrow – CEO-Health  
Tina Villalpando

**PGE**

John Oberle – Chairman – Term expires 4/2/27  
Buell Russell – Treasurer – Term expires 4/2/26  
Curtis Boschult – Term expires 4/2/26  
Lisa Peterson – Secretary – Term expires 4/2/27  
Matthew Kennedy – Vice Chairman – Term expires 4/2/27

**OPIOID SETTLEMENT FUNDING COMMITTEE** *(other Sub Committee not appointed by TC)*

Rhiannon Pitzl  
LuAnne Even  
Courtney Chavez  
Amos Shepherd

**SIOUX CITY REDEVELOPMENT WORKING GROUP** *(other sub committee (not appointed by TC)*

Angie Starkel – TC Vice Chairwoman District 1  
Patrick Lamoureux – TC Representative District 1  
Misha Mazurkewycz – Environmental Manager  
Steve Mingura - TESM  
Greg Gunderson – CFO  
Bill Yunker – Transportation Director  
Alexcia Boggs – DDTA  
Courtney Chavez – CEO TA

**NATIONAL TRIBAL WATER COUNCIL**

Kayla Vondracek – Region 7 Representative