

Oklahoma's new Oilseed Commission election results were confirmed Wednesday. State Secretary of Agriculture, Terry Peach, confirmed the following new oilseed commission board members.

District 1, Kelly Chain, Canton; District 2, Alan Mindemann, Apache; District 3, Lee Leeper, Alva; and District 4, Brent Rendel, Miami. There were no nominations for District 5 and Peach will appoint someone to that board position in the near future.

The Oklahoma Oilseed Commission will collect an assessment from producers to fund research, market development, education, and enhance oilseed production.

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LEGAL NOTICE

OKLAHOMA OILSEED COMMISSION

The Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry will conduct the initial election of the Oklahoma Oilseed Commission beginning February 8, 2010 and ending February 22, 2010. Anyone who is at least 25 years of age, is a resident of Oklahoma, has been actually engaged in the production of oilseed in the state for a period of at least two years and derives a portion of their income from the production of oilseed is eligible to serve on the Commission. The nominee must also reside and farm in the district for which he or she is seeking election.

The five member Commission will administer the check off funds, which will be collected on oilseed grown in the state. An assessment to be determined by the Commission will be collected and used to develop programs that will enhance oilseed production, providing oilseed research, promoting market development and education, and improving profitability of Oklahoma oilseed producers..

To give proportionate distribution of directors, the state of Oklahoma has been divided into five districts. Producers who reside in the district and are actively engaged in the production of oilseed in the current fiscal year are eligible to vote in the election.

Voters in District 1 will elect one director to serve an initial two-year term. District 1 consists of the following counties: Cimarron, Texas, Beaver, Harper, Woodward, Ellis, Dewey, Roger Mills, and Custer.

Voters in District 2 will elect one director to serve an initial three-year term. District 2 consists of the following counties: Beckham, Washita, Caddo, Grady, Greer, Kiowa, Comanche, Harmon, Jackson, Tillman, and Cotton.

Voters in District 3 will elect one director to serve an initial four-year term. District 3 consists of the following counties: Woods, Alfalfa, Major, Blaine, Kingfisher, Canadian, Grant, Kay, Garfield, Noble, Logan, Payne, Oklahoma, and Lincoln.

Voters in District 4 will elect one director to serve an initial five-year term. District 4 consists of the following counties: Osage, Washington, Nowata, Craig, Ottawa, Pawnee, Rogers, Mayes, Delaware, Creek, Tulsa, Wagoner, Cherokee, Adair, Okfuskee, Okmulgee, Muskogee, Sequoyah, and McIntosh.

Voters in District 5 will elect one director to serve an initial six-year term. District 5 consists of the following counties: Cleveland, Pottawatomie, Seminole, Hughes, Pittsburg, Haskell, Le Flore, Stephens, Jefferson, McClain, Garvin, Murray, Carter, Love, Pontotoc, Johnston, Marshall, Coal, Atoka, Bryan, Latimer, Pushmataha, Choctaw, and McCurtain.

Any person qualified to serve on the Commission may place his or her name in nomination to represent the district in which he or she resides on the Oklahoma Oilseed Commission. The nominee must certify that he or she is willing to serve if elected. The nomination form must be signed by the nominee and must have the signature and complete mailing addresses of ten other eligible voters who reside in the district the person is seeking to represent. Nomination forms may be obtained from the Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, County Extension offices, and grain elevators. Nomination forms must be returned to the Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry by January 22, 2010.

The election shall be conducted by mail-in ballot. Ballots will be available from the Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry, County Extension offices and grain elevators by February 8, 2010. Ballots must be received no later than 5:00 pm February 22, 2010 at the Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry, Attn: Glen Schickedanz, Market Development Services, P.O. Box 528804, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73152-8804. If you have any questions call the Oklahoma Department of Agriculture office at 1-800-580-6543.

OFFICIAL BALLOT
District 1
Oklahoma Oilseed Commission Election
February 8 – February 22, 2010

Purpose

The election of one (1) member to a two-year term on the Oklahoma Oilseed Commission representing District 1. District 1 consists of the following counties: Cimarron, Texas, Beaver, Harper, Woodward, Ellis, Dewey, Roger Mills and Custer.

Eligible Voters

Any individual, corporation or partnership that has produced and sold oilseed in their name into commerce since July 1, 2008 is eligible to vote. The voter must farm in the district for which he or she is voting. A producer having production in more than one district may cast a vote in each district in which the person produces oilseed.

Verification of Eligibility to Vote

All voters must complete the following. Please sign the ballot with your normal signature and print your name and address.

I certify that I am eligible to vote as prescribed above.

Name (Print) _____

Address _____

Signature _____

Candidates for Election

The following is a candidate for one (1) position on the Oklahoma Oilseed Commission District 1, whose duties will be to administer programs with proceeds of the Oklahoma Oilseed Commission.

VOTE for one (1) candidate of your choice by placing an "X" in the blank box beside the name. Vote for no more than one (1) candidate, including any write-in candidate you wish to submit. Candidates are in alphabetical order.

X	Name	Mailing Address	County
	Kelly Chain	RR 1 Box 158 Canton, OK 73724	Dewey

Write-in Candidate

Print the name, county and complete mailing address of someone you wish to be elected to serve on the Commission. The person must be at least 25 years of age, have been engaged in production of oilseed in that state for at least two years and must derive a portion of his/her income from oilseed production. Write-in candidates must reside and farm in District 1 and must be willing to serve on the Commission.

X	Name	Mailing Address	County

Return to: Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry
Attn: Glen Schickedanz
PO Box 528804
Oklahoma City, OK 73105-4298
Ballots MUST be returned to ODAFF before 5:00 pm February 22, 2010

OFFICIAL BALLOT
District 2
Oklahoma Oilseed Commission Election
February 8 – February 22, 2010

Purpose

The election of one (1) member to a three-year term on the Oklahoma Oilseed Commission representing District 2. District 2 consists of the following counties: Beckham, Washita, Caddo, Grady, Greer, Kiowa, Comanche, Harmon, Jackson, Tillman, and Cotton.

Eligible Voters

Any individual, corporation or partnership that has produced and sold oilseed in their name into commerce since July 1, 2008 is eligible to vote. The voter must farm in the district for which he or she is voting. A producer having production in more than one district may cast a vote in each district in which the person produces oilseed.

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Name (Print) _____

Address _____

Signature _____

Candidates for Election

The following is a candidate for one (1) position on the Oklahoma Oilseed Commission District 2, whose duties will be to administer programs with proceeds of the Oklahoma Oilseed Commission.

VOTE for one (1) candidate of your choice by placing an "X" in the blank box beside the name. Vote for no more than one (1) candidate, including any write-in candidate you wish to submit. Candidates are in alphabetical order.

X	Name	Mailing Address	County
	Alan Mindemann	Rt. 2 Box 16 Apache, OK 73006	Caddo

Write-in Candidate

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X	Name	Mailing Address	County

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District 3
Oklahoma Oilseed Commission Election
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Purpose

The election of one (1) member to a four-year term on the Oklahoma Oilseed Commission representing District 3. District 3 consists of the following counties: Woods, Alfalfa, Major, Blaine, Kingfisher, Canadian, Grant, Kay, Garfield, Noble, Logan, Payne, Oklahoma, and Lincoln.

Eligible Voters

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Candidates for Election

The following is a candidate for one (1) position on the Oklahoma Oilseed Commission District 3, whose duties will be to administer programs with proceeds of the Oklahoma Oilseed Commission.

VOTE for one (1) candidate of your choice by placing an "X" in the blank box beside the name. Vote for no more than one (1) candidate, including any write-in candidate you wish to submit. Candidates are in alphabetical order.

X	Name	Mailing Address	County
	Lee Leeper	R.R 3 Box 245 Alva, OK 73717	Woods & Alfalfa
	Jeffrey D. Scott	RR 2 Box14 Pond Creek, OK73766	Grant

Write-in Candidate

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District 4
Oklahoma Oilseed Commission Election
February 8 – February 22, 2010

Purpose

The election of one (1) member to a five-year term on the Oklahoma Oilseed Commission representing District 4. District 4 consists of the following counties: Osage, Washington, Nowata, Craig, Ottawa, Pawnee, Rogers, Mayes, Delaware, Creek, Tulsa, Wagoner, Cherokee, Adair, Okfuskee, Okmulgee, Muskogee, Sequoyah, and McIntosh.

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Candidates for Election

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	Brent Rendel	6504 S 600 Rd Miami, OK 74354	Ottawa

Write-in Candidate

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OFFICIAL BALLOT
District 5
Oklahoma Oilseed Commission Election
February 8 – February 22, 2010

Purpose

The election of one (1) member to a six-year term on the Oklahoma Oilseed Commission representing District 5. District 5 consists of the following counties: Cleveland, Pottawatomie, Seminole, Hughes, Pittsburg, Haskell, Le Fore, Stephens, Jefferson, McClain, Garvin, Murray, Carter, Love, Pontotoc, Johnston, Marshall, Coal, Atoka, Bryan, Latimer, Pushmataha, Choctaw, and McCurtain.

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