

Bosho! My name is Amanda Nioce Barbosa, daughter of Lyle and Barbara Nioce and I am proud to be a member of the Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation. I am writing to all of you to declare candidacy for the Tribal Treasurer position. I feel I have strong knowledge and solid experience in the finance field that makes me an ideal candidate for the position of Treasurer. I am a single mother and live with my beautiful 7-year old son Kinser and we currently reside in Topeka, KS. As a single-mother, working full time maintaining my son's sport activities with seasonal t-ball, swimming, and basketball. In my spare time I enjoy doing beadwork, spending time with my son and cheering him on in all his sport activities.

I earned my Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration with an emphasis in accounting from Washburn University in 2000 and went onto earned my Master's Degree in Business Administration in 2003. After earning my degrees, I gained valuable, real-world experience working for our casino when it was still Harrah's Prairie Band Casino and after we became the self-managed Prairie Band Casino and Resort in both a financial analyst and accounting capacity for 6 years. I have also worked for the Tribal Gaming Commission as an internal auditor for 2 years. Some of my most valuable experience has been working for the Nation's government Finance Department for eight years as both an accountant and as the Director of Finance.

This experience helped me to understand how all of our enterprises and our government operations depend on each other, so I have a solid understanding of the Nation's finances. That experience has given me a very strong knowledge of how the Nations financial assets, cash management, and investments all work together for the Nation's bests interest. Most recently I have worked for the City of Topeka as the Finance and Compliance Manager. In addition to that experience, I have been a member the Government Finance Officers Association for over six years and have also previously been a member of the Native American Finance Officers Association. Finally, I have served on both the Nation's Tax Commission and government employee Retirement Committee.

I feel that my education combined with my experience, particularly within the Nation's operations, give me the strong background needed to serve in the position of Treasurer. I have a true passion for the accounting and auditing fields and I feel I bring valuable, authentic experience to the position and it would be an honor to represent all of the Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation in this role. In addition to my genuine interest in the position and field, I am also hardworking, responsible, dependable and always willing to lend a hand where needed.

My goals for the PBP Nation are to expand the reservation by building more housing for our members at all income levels. I would also like to promote help with our general memberships health clinic by advancement in all medical treatment areas, especially in the cancer treatment area. I also would like to research more ways to help all tribal members living off the PBPN reservation with health coverage options to help benefit them in their health care needs.

In advance, thank you for your time and consideration. I would greatly appreciate your vote for the position of Treasurer for the Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation.

If you have any questions or would like to contact me I can be found on facebook at Campaign for Amanda N. for Tribal Treasurer and you may email questions to me at ANBarbosacampaign@gmail.com.

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