

LTBB Election Board Nonimation Application Form - SECTION 3
CANDIDATE STATEMENT (Limit to 1 page)
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Aanii Kina Gwoya
Tammy Okuly Shananaquet Ndizhnikaa
Maaiingan Ndodem
Biidaasige Ndoonjibaa
Waganakising Odawa Ndaaw
Hello Everyone,
My name is Tammy Okuly Shananaquet
I am from the wolf clan
My spirit comes from Petoskey
I am an Odawa from the people of the crooked tree

Born the daughter of the late Mervin Shananaquet and Cindy (Welcome) Shananaquet and the Granddaughter of the late Samuel Shananaquet and Ida (Cabinaw) Shananaquet it is with great humility and honor that I ask for your support as one of the citizens to represent YOU on Tribal Council.

My experience working for our tribal government began April 2011 when I was hired as LTBB Elders Outreach Coordinator. By listening to our elders through telephone calls, written surveys, scheduled "Meet and Greet" and luncheons; I was able to determine specific support and services needed. This information required expansion of the Elders Program, and the specific services provided to our elders.

I was able to increase these additional services by applying for a grant which allowed funding for housekeeping, laundry, transportation, snowplowing, lawn care, personal care relieving care giver. Along with the support of the Elder Advisory Board, Elder Association, and the support of Executive and Tribal Council the program evolved into LTBB Kikaajik Department!

As a Tribal Councilor these are the goals I would like to implement for our nation:

- 1) Statutes will be reviewed and amended if necessary to protect the rights of our citizens to practice our culture, including language, ceremony, hunting, fishing and gathering.
- 2) Financial Analysis and audit completed to examine actual funds available so council can allocate funds to enable continued services for citizens.
- 3) Review all unnecessary spending, contracts and define legal obligation of each.
- 4) Work with Executive to review budgeted services and actions being taken to fulfill the obligations for "all" citizens we serve.
- 5) To develop a comprehensive plan for expanding financial support to all citizens through General Welfare Exclusion to aide citizens in payment of food, utility and medical cost.

Looking forward to the opportunity to serve you,
Chii Miigwech,
Tammy Okuly Shananaquet

**LTBB Election Board Nomination Application Form - SECTION 2
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Tammy Okuly Shananaquet

Petitioner's Name As It Should Appear On The Ballot

Harbor Springs, MI

City & State of Residency

1. Work Experience:

My career as a Registered Nurse has spanned over 35 years beginning in 1989. The first position as R.N. was in a Neuro Intensive Care Unit. Progressing into a Charge Nurse for Adolescent and Adult Psychiatric and Chemical Dependency.
1992 Worked as Staff Development Nurse / Assistant Director of Nurses.
1994 Director of Nursing 1997 Assistant Director of Operations
2002 Director of Health Care in a 249 Senior Apartment Community; Advancing to General Manager of this Senior Retirement Community
2011 LTBB Elder Outreach Coordinator for Elder Program developed and advanced said program into Kikaajik Department.
2020 Contracted as R.N. for Covid Triage and currently contract for Home Health Care

2. Educational Background:

Associate of Applied Science in Nursing from Delta College University Center

Licensed Registered Nurse
Licensed Nursing Home Administrator
Licensed Real Estate Salesperson

3. Traditional Cultural Experience/Knowledge, and/or Other Training, Certificates:

1980 President of Indian Affairs Delta College
2011 Attended my first Anishinaabemowin Immersion Class; continue to utilize resources available for continued native language instruction.
2011 Volunteer for Pow Wow Committee
2011 Became Board Member for Peacekeepers
2011 Sit as firekeeper when needed
2011 Provide Cultural Sensitivity Training to Local Colleges
2012 Victim Service Instructor; Office of Violence Against Women
Train the Trainer: Certified Educator for those studying to be Nurse Assistant

4. Volunteer Experience, Special Skills and Abilities:

2011 - 2018 LTBB Member of Peacekeepers
2012 - 2019 Victim Service Instructor: Office of Violence Against Women
2019 - 2024 Board Member/ Secretary / Coordinator of Youth Program Kewadin Indian Mission
2018 - 2024 Treasurer of Michigan Indian Elders Association
2019 - 2025 President /Chair for Committee on Native American Missions
2020 - Present: Provide respite care to Tribal Elders such as transportation, housekeeping, laundry, meal preparation, lawn care, medication set up, personal care, wound care, IV therapy.

5. Awards, Honors Received (cultural/colonial):

- 1) Graduated top of my class Magna Cum Laude
- 2) Achievement Award Heartland Home Healthcare for development and management of successful Home Healthcare Offices: Awarded Certificate in "Circle of Care"
- 3) Awarded a financial gift to Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women in my name after presenting as a Guest Speaker at Annual Methodist Leadership Gathering 2024 on "TRUTH"; the historical impact of the church on native people.
- 4) Honored with a "Blanket" at Kewadin Indian Mission Church

6. Describe Current and/or Previous Elected or Appointed Positions Held at LTBB or in Any Other Capacity, Government, or Organization (dates, titles, etc):

1980 - 1981 President of Indian Affairs, Delta College University Center
1988 - 1989 President of student nurse Association, Delta College University Center
2002 - 2002 Chair for "Active for Life", American Cancer Society, Frankenmuth, MI
2003 - 2004 Co-Chair "Alzheimer's Association Memory Walk" Frankenmuth, MI
2007 - 2010 Member of Rotary International
2004 - 2010 Member of Frankenmuth Chamber of Commerce; "Promotion Committee"
2007 - 2010 Professional Advisor on three Home Health & Hospice Committees
2011 - 2020 Member of Antrim, Charlevoix, Emmett, Senior Service Organization
2018 - 2024 Treasurer for Michigan Indian Elders Association
2019 - 2025 President / Chair of Committee on Native American Missions

7. If applicable, describe anticipated Campaign Information in Detail (Campaign Address, Email, Website, Social Media, Campaign Plan, Any Endorsements, etc):

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I will begin by posting information and updates on LTBB Facebook Pages. My intention is to schedule "Talking Circles" at different locations throughout MI upon request to enable opportunity to speak directly with our citizens. Dates and times for "Talking Circles" will be posted on Facebook. Miigwech