

Vote 10-05-2024

Sue Brown Gunderson for the AT Large EC Seat

I am an active and passionate member of Catawba Indian Nation (CIN). I was a flight attendant for eighteen years. While a Flight attendant I was taught valuable life skills, for example: Communication, cultural awareness, leadership, assertiveness, organization, time management and adaptability all while exploring the world.

In 1996, I began working with CIN as the Assistant to the Executive Director and retired in 2016 as the Client Service Manager for ISWA Development Corporation. My job responsibilities included housing placement, First Time Home Buyers Program, assisting with the Section 184 Loan Program, and the Housing and Budgeting Counselor. The housing and budgeting counselor played a vital role in helping many tribal members prepare budgets and become homeowners. While employed with CIN, I was trusted with many responsibilities which included record keeping, creating grant budgets, working with annual audits, and grant reports, approval of expenditures and an authorized check signer.

I have also participated in other areas within CIN, including boards and committees and was the tribal representative to York County. I am very knowledgeable with the specifications regarding the 1993 Settlement Agreement. I have made it a point to remain an active tribal member with CIN and have attended the General Council meetings since I became of age.

I have forty plus years' experience in real estate investing, buying, and selling and managing rentals property. I have negotiated deals and contracts; dealt with 1031 Tax deferred exchange program.

I am a business person, good with money and believe in a budget, an independent thinker (the ability to make quality decision from a number of options). I stand up for what I believe in and face adversity.

My vision for the Catawba Indian Nation:

- To work closely with all of the Executive Committee Members to help Catawba Indian Nation be successful and productive.
- For CIN to operate as a business and everyone in the tribe be united and HAVE A VOICE.
- Ensure open communication between the Executive Committee and the General Council.
- For all EC members to have job description, requirement and Policy and procedure as well.
- To amend our current Constitution to protect our rights and our sovereignty.
- To review and learn CIN financials and to be a part of their budgeting process.
- Learn the requirements of tribal grants and contracts to help ensure that requirements are being met as well as communicate these opportunities to tribal members.

Based on the duties of the EC seat for the CIN and my experience. I feel I am qualified for the At large EC seat. I am urging you to vote and to vote for me, Sue Brown-Gunderson. I will ensure our tribe continues to prosper.

