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**Minutes of:
 Nominating Committee
 January 13, 2020**

Present:

Willie Campbell	Patty Woodby, Chairwoman
Mark Tester	Isaiah Grindstaff
Ross Garland	Travis Hill
Aaron Frazier	Kelly Collins

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chairwoman Patty Woodby. Roll call was completed with a quorum of all members being present.

II. Approval of Agenda

The January 13, 2020 Agenda was considered for approval. Chairwoman Woodby then entertained a motion: **Motion to approve the agenda by Commissioner Frazier, Second by Commissioner Campbell. Approve by Acclamation – All Ayes, agenda approved.**

III. Approval of Minutes

The December 9, 2019 Minutes were considered for approval. Chairwoman Woodby then entertained a motion: **Motion to approve December Minutes by Commissioner Hill, Second by Commissioner Garland. No corrections were noted. Approve by Acclamation – All Ayes, December 2019 minutes approved.**

IV. Public Comments

Chairwoman Woodby asked for any Public Comments. Seeing no Public Comments, the meeting was continued.

V. Old Business

Seeing no Old Business, Chairwoman Woodby continued to New Business

VI. New Business

Chairwoman Woodby – Farm Woman Vacancy on the Agriculture Extension Committee – One person applied, Tracy Leanne Buckles. Chairwoman Woodby then entertained a motion: **Motion to appoint Tracy Leanne Buckles to fill the Farm Women Vacancy by acclamation vote by Commissioner Frazier, Second by Commissioner Hill. Approve by Acclamation – All Ayes, Tracy Leanne Buckles appointed to Farm Woman position on Agriculture Extension Committee, pending Full Commission confirmation.**

Chairwoman Woodby – Agriculture Extension Committee – 2 Vacancies for Commissioners - One person applied, Commissioner Robert Acuff. Chairwoman Woodby then entertained a motion:

Motion to appoint Commissioner Robert Acuff to fill 1 vacancy for Commissioners on the Agriculture Extension Committee by acclamation vote by Commissioner Garland, Second Commissioner Frazier. Approve by Acclamation – All Ayes, Commissioner Robert Acuff appointed to fill 1 vacancy for Commissioners on the Agriculture Extension Committee, pending Full Commission confirmation.

It was then discussed that 1 vacancy remained for Commissioners for the Agriculture Extension Committee. Commissioner Garland then asked Commissioner Tester if he would be interested in the vacancy. Commissioner Tester stated that he did have prior experience in agriculture through the University of Tennessee. Commissioner Tester stated that he would be interested. **Motion to appoint Commissioner Mark Tester to fill 1 vacancy for Commissioners on the Agriculture Extension Committee by acclamation vote by Commissioner Frazier, Second Commissioner Campbell. Approve by Acclamation – All Ayes, Commissioner Mark Tester appointed to fill the remaining vacancy for Commissioners on the Agriculture Extension Committee, pending Full Commission confirmation.**

VII. Announcements

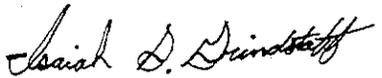
Mayor Barnett stated that on the Joint Economic Development Board, the City Council of Elizabethton had appointed Councilman Wes Frazier and Councilman Bill Carter as their representatives. The next meeting should be scheduled for mid-February and would be announced.

VIII. Adjournment

Chairwoman Woodby then entertained a motion for Adjournment:

Motion by Commissioner Frazier, Second by Commissioner Collins to adjourn. Approve by Acclamation – All Ayes, January Nominating Meeting Adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,


Commissioner Isaiah Grindstaff

Approved for entry:

Patty Woodby, Chairwoman

Carter County
Nominating Committee Meeting

January 13, 2020

6:00 p.m.

Agenda

- 1.) Call to Order.
- 2.) Adopt Agenda
- 3.) Approve minutes from the December 9, 2019 Meeting
- 4.) Public Comments
- 5.) Old Business
- 6.) New Business
 - Farm Woman vacancy
 - Agriculture Committee -2 vacancies
- 7.)Adjourn

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

December 9, 2019

6:00 P.M.



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PRESENT: Willie Campbell, Patty Woodby, Charles VonCannon, Isaiah Grindstaff, Ross Garland, Travis Hill, Aaron Frazier and Kelly Collins

ABSENT: none

CALL TO ORDER: Patty Woodby, Chairwoman

ROLL CALL: Quorum Present

- Approval of Agenda: Motion was made by Travis Hill, seconded by Aaron Frazier to approve the agenda for the meeting. By voice roll call vote, motion carried.
- Approval of Minutes: Motion was made by Ross Garland, seconded by Aaron Frazier to approve the minutes of the October 2019, meeting. By voice roll call vote, motion carried.
- Public Comments: none
- Old Business: none
- New Business: Chairwoman Woodby stated she had unofficially been asked to bring to the committee a copy of the resolution drawn by the County Attorney in 2017, reducing the number of members on the Planning Commission from twelve (12) to nine (9). Atty. Hardin stated the Private Act of 1972 allowed for some decisions to be made by the full commission as far as the number of members and term of office of Planning Commission members. Kelly Collins questioned why this resolution was brought before the Nominating Committee instead of the Rules & By Laws Committee. Atty. Hardin stated the Nominating Committee was a standing committee and had as much to do with these types of resolutions as any other committee. He said the resolution had to be approved and brought to the full commission by a standing committee to be considered. After much discussion, motion was made by Willie Campbell, seconded by Kelly Collins to send the resolution to the Rules & By Laws committee, but was later withdrawn. Motion was then made by Charles VonCannon, seconded by Aaron Frazier to accept the resolution drafted by the County Attorney in 2017, reducing the number of members on the Planning Commission from 12 members to 9 members and present it to the full commission. By a roll call vote of 6 ayes and 2 nays from Ross Garland and Kelly Collins, motion carried.

Chairwoman Woodby stated she had received three (3) applications for the Main Street Committee position. These were Aaron Frazier, Ginger Holdren and Kelly Collins. Ross Garland nominated Kelly Collins and Travis Hill nominated Aaron Frazier. Willie Campbell made a motion for nominations to cease seconded by Isaiah Grindstaff. By a roll call vote, Kelly Collins received five (5) votes and Aaron Frazier three (3) votes. Kelly Collins was duly elected to the newly formed Main Street Committee position.

On motion by Travis Hill, seconded by Isaiah Grindstaff and by voice roll call vote, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted:

Suzi Wallace

Approved for entry:

Patty Woodby, Chairwoman

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MARY GOUGE
COUNTY CLERK

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CARTER COUNTY
Statement of Qualifications for Consideration of Appointment to
Boards/Committees
(Please type or print plainly)

Date of Application: 12/20/19

Name: Buckles Tracy Leanne
Last First Middle

Address: 1384 Broad Street, Eliz TN 37643

How long have you lived at this address? 15 years

Home Telephone: 423-213-6397

Current Occupation: Health Promotions Specialist

How long have you lived in Carter County? 46 years

What is your voting district/princt? Court House District

Which Board/Committee appointment do you desire to be considered for? Extension Ag Committee -
FORM Woman

Education

School	Name/Address	Last Year Completed	Did you Graduate?	Degree
High School	<u>Unaka High</u>	<u>1988</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>General</u>
College	<u>Carson-Newman</u>	<u>1992</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>BS Consumer Services Mgt Home Ec.</u>
Other (Specify)	<u>Univ. of TN</u>	<u>2002</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>MS Ag Extension Education</u>

Give previous experience serving on a board/committee? Served on Carter Co. and Washington Co TN CEP & Health Councils; Eliz Twins Commission

Please explain. I have served on several different boards & committees and also served in leadership roles

What qualifications do you possess for serving on the board, commission or committee for which you are being considered? Participated in 4-H; 4-H Volunteer; previous Extension Agent and grew up on a Farm

Briefly, state why you are interested in being appointed to the above-mentioned board/committee. I believe UT Extension plays an important role in the community in both youth and adult ways. I would be honored to serve.

Tracy Buckles
Signature

* See Attachment (if applicable)

Robert V Acuff Resume

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Statement of Desire and Service the Agriculture Committee

As an eighth generation Tennessean, I not only have deep roots in my state but a longing for her to realize her full potential. Agriculture has always been at the forefront of Tennessee and her citizens. As Tennessee's first state agency the citizens recognized the need to promote the wise use of its agriculture and forest resources, to ensure economic opportunities and a safe, dependable food and fiber. Additionally, Tennessee's farm industry is diverse with products ranging from poultry and cattle to honey and tomatoes. 4-H and through the efforts of the UT Agriculture Extension Agencies across the 95 counties in Tennessee, keeping alive the farming life and the leadership opportunities it brings to our children and young adults in Carter County is a legacy to be preserved. I am reminded of that every time I look at the Great Seal of the State of Tennessee where 'Agriculture' is prominently and permanently affixed as a part of the Seal. I spent the summers on my grandparent's farm in Loudon County, Tennessee (raising tobacco, helping plant the family garden and then canning, drying and preserving fruits and vegetables) where there was always chores to do in working an active farm. I was reminded of those activities when awarded a USDA research position through the UT Agricultural Extension Agency to complete my doctoral work and the privilege to advance knowledge in the foods and nutrition arena. The training and knowledge acquired served me well and helped launch a career that that always included research in agriculture.

Fast forward to the current interest in serving as a part of the Agriculture Committee in Carter County as a commission liaison to help enhance the programs in the 1st District focused on Agriculture (and the county): Unaka High meat cutting program, the Drop Farm initiative, 4-H activities including development of life skills, and my own push to teach kids how to grow their own food (which relates to my interest in food security for kids in our county).

Summary of Qualifications

College of Medicine/ESTU Activities

Liaison for a board of regents university and medical school with over 20 years experience in state and federal government legislative activities that impact health care, academic medicine, biomedical research and higher education with a strong emphasis focused on rural initiatives/issues. Develop and maintain effective communication and correspondence with Members of Congress and their Washington staff as well as state legislators and the executive branch.

Establish major collaborations between the university and academic health science center in the areas of clinical and basic science research, biotechnology (particularly the food and pharmaceutical industries), and industrial development.

Twenty-five year medical academician as a clinical and bench research scientist, professor and patient care provider.

Proven leadership within healthcare and policy professional organizations requiring the ability to articulate positions to bring policy makers to examine legislation in order to advance the goals and missions of academic health science centers.

Education:

Post-Doctoral Experience in Surgery and Medicine, Departments of Surgery and Medicine, Quillen College of Medicine, ETSU (1982-84).

Ph.D. Nutrition (Physiological Chemistry), The University of Tennessee, 1982

M.S. Physical Education (Exercise Physiology), The University of Tennessee, 1977

B.S. Louisiana State University, Physical Education and Health, 1974

Professional Experience:

- Professor (1995-present), Department of Surgery, Quillen College of Medicine, ETSU with adjunct appointments in Medicine, Public Health and Applied Human Sciences. Past adjunct appointments in Pharmacology and Biochemistry (now Basic Sciences).
- Chair the M1M2 Curriculum Review for the Medical Student Education Committee, Quillen College of Medicine.
- Assistant to the President for Government Relations, East Tennessee State University (2012-14).
- Assistant Vice President of Health Affairs for Government Relations, ETSU (2009-12).
- Member of the Steering Committee for establishing the Bill Gatton College of Pharmacy (2004-06).
- Director, Government Relations, Office of the VP for Health Affairs and Dean of Medicine, Quillen College of Medicine, ETSU (2001-2009).
- Associate Dean for Research, Quillen College of Medicine, ETSU (1994-1996).
- Director, Eastman Center for Nutrition Research, Quillen College of Medicine, ETSU (1990-2000).

Legislative and Professional Activities

- Elected to the Carter County Commission (2014-present; currently in 2nd term)
Chair, Board of Commissioners (2017-18)
- Standing Committees:
 - Animal Shelter/Control (2018-present)
 - Building and Grounds (2018-present)
 - Budget (2016-18; Vice Chair, 2016-17)
 - Education (2014-16, Vice Chair, 2014-16)
 - Health and Welfare (2018-present; Chair)
 - Highway (2014-16)
 - Landfill /Sanitary Waste (2014-16)
 - Law Enforcement (2018-present)
 - Nominating (2016-18; Secretary, 2016-18)
 - Planning (2017-present)
 - Rules and By-laws (2018-present)
- Ad Hoc Committees:
 - Beer Board (Secretary; 2014-18)
 - Tourism Task Force (2017)
 - EMS Rescue Squad Task Force (Chair; 2016-18)
- Serve as the designee for the College of Medicine to the Association of American Medical (AAMC) College's Government Relation Representatives and elected to Chair the group and serve on the Steering Committee (Thereby providing a presence and emphasis on community based medical schools with rural and primary care missions).
- Worked with Members of Congress to secure participation of ETSU as one of 5 institutions in the nation funded by the Department of Homeland Security under the aegis of the **Rural Domestic Preparedness Consortium**; funding to the College of Medicine and ETSU of approximately \$3 million and served as director of the initiative at ETSU.
- Secured Federal funding for Forensic Sciences that led to the William L. Jenkins Forensic Science Center, which provides forensic services to the 1st Congressional District of Tennessee (rural counties included in the service area).
- Organized at the request of Congressman Bill Jenkins, the 1st Congressional District's initial meetings on rural homeland security bringing together the 12 county mayors, EMA officials in the District and Tennessee's Director for Homeland Security.
- Instrumental in acquiring the Congressional papers of Congressman William Jenkins for the ETSU archives and securing a Distinguished Faculty position at the institution for Jenkins.
- Assisted the 1st Congressional District staff of Congressman David Davis in holding a regional discussion on the impact of healthcare (with specific focus on TennCare) for the District (Brenda Otterson, CoS).
- Instrumental in working with the Association of American Medical Colleges (AAMC) and Congressman Phil Roe, MD (1st TN) to Co-Chair the Academic Medicine Caucus in the US House of Representatives.
- Instigated the first round table discussion in Congress on Graduate Medical Education through the Academic Medicine Caucus, US House of Representatives (Congressman Roe as Co-Chair for the Academic Medicine Caucus).

- Organized the first medical education experience for congressional staff (Project Medical Education; PME) about the process of medical education, its complex funding mechanisms, and the role of government in providing support in collaboration with the AAMC and have conducted three additional PME events for Federal and State legislators and staff, for the Quillen College of Medicine with a focus on primary care and rural medicine.
- Appointed by the Governor of Tennessee to the Biotechnology Task Force, which established the blueprint for the advancement of biotechnology in Tennessee as a source of economic development potential. . .
- Served as a member of the Leadership Forum Committee for the AAMC, which sets the AAMC agenda in consultation with the AAMC Board of Directors and the President and CEO of the AAMC.
- Served as President and Chair of the Board (2004-2009) Tennessee Life Sciences Association (formerly the Tennessee Biotechnology Association) and Member of the Board of Directors (2001- 2012).

Faith Based and Christian Worldview Activities

- Consultant to Chuck Colson, the Colson Center for Christian Worldview, BreakPoint Ministries and the Colson Centurion Program (2009-12).
- Hosted the Wilberforce Forum Radio Program, which aired weekly via the Internet and Blog-Talk-Radio addressing topics focusing on a Christian Worldview with nationally known guests discussing a variety of topics (e.g. Healthcare, Climate Change, Theatre and the Arts, Science and Intelligent Design, Economics and Serving God in the Workplace, Christian Principles Leading to Business Successes, etc.) (2009-12).
- Wrote for BreakPoint Ministries on relevant cultural topics to coincide with the Wilberforce Forum radiobroadcasts (2009-12).
- Member, Board of Advisors for Knoxville Christian Arts Ministry (2009-12). KnoxCAM is an out reach ministry for presenting the Gospel in prisons, inner-city ministries, homeless shelters, retirement centers, and other venues. Its 80 members, ages 16 to 82, are from 21 different churches.

Research Activities

- Established a major collaboration between Eastman Chemical Company and ETSU (Eastman Center for Nutrition Research) leading to additional collaborations with Henkel Chemical in Dusseldorf, Cognis Health and Nutrition Group, LaGrange, IL and Durect Corporation, Birmingham, AL.
- Pioneered clinical research utilizing deuterium labeled antioxidant compounds evaluating placental transport during pregnancy leading to the international VERIS Award.
- Collaborated with Eastman to revolutionize the storage of human blood and platelets leading to several patents and new technologies.

Community Service:

- Ballad Hospital Foundation Board, TriCities (2018-present).
- Girls and Boys Club of Elizabethton/Carter County, Member of the Board (2018-present).
- Friends of Sycamore Shoals State Park (Fort Watauga, Sabine Hill, Carter Mansion) Vice-President of the Board and Board Member (2016-present).
- Sycamore Shoals Community Hospital, Member of the Board (2018-present).
- Sycamore Shoals Community Hospital Foundation, Member (MSHA; 2016-18).

- YMCA of the USA
 - Blue Ridge Leaders School Policy Board Member (1996-2012). Board provides direction, fund raising and support for Blue Ridge Leaders School. BRLS is the largest and oldest YMCA leadership school for physical education in the world.
 - Chair, Blue Ridge Leaders School Policy Board (1999-2002)

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