



I am Shirley Trull, the daughter of Alvina (Wamego) LaClair and the late Milton LaClair. My parents taught me the meaning of hard work and encouraged me to reach my goals whether personal or professional. It has been an honor to serve as a current Tribal Council Member, as I was appointed to the position in May 2019.

For nearly 5 years, I was the Financial Officer for Social Services. This position allowed me to understand the operations of our Nation (i.e. budgeting, planning, workflow).

Additional experience includes 3 years at Prairie Band Casino & Resort. I began as an Executive Intern, learning front and back of house casino operations. I became the hotel Housekeeping Supervisor, supervising over 60 employees, which eventually led to a promotion to Executive Housekeeper, managing housekeeping and laundry operations.

Prior to the casino, I worked 3 years at the IRS as a Tax Examiner; then moved to processing Federal Income Tax Transcript requests. Most of my work time was spent at Honeywell for 27 years as an Electronics Inspector, which enabled me to realize manufacturing processes and federal guidelines, as the company was a subcontractor for the Department of Energy. During the mid-2000's, I returned to the classroom and obtained both my bachelor and master's degrees in business administration.

I was elected as the first Ethics Chairperson for our Nation. I was proud to be a part of the Ethics Commission as we wrote our Nation's Code of Ethics, which was approved by the General Council in 2010. I adhere to the ethical behaviors that are necessary for elected and appointed officials. Confidentiality always remains a priority and that council should be working together even when we disagree. My various work experiences and ethical obligations have aided my decision making in council chambers and everyday life.

I currently serve on the Tax Commission. Our Tribe is working on possible future hemp operations plus other potential taxable opportunities as we expand business outside gaming. I also serve on the Constitution Committee. We will decide on changes for our Tribal Constitution's Article III (Membership, specifically blood quantum) and Article IX (Ethical Responsibilities of Officials) which will require general council approval. Finally, I am also a Land Committee member. During Tribal Council meetings, I have been able to address and question the difficult issues that face our Nation. The voice is not just my agenda; it is for the advancement of our Nation. I am seeking your vote for Tribal Council Member #3 so that I may continue our Nation's work with knowledge, honesty, and empathy.