Bio of Chairwoman Carri Jones Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Cass Lake, Minnesota

Ms. Carri Jones serves a Chairwoman of the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe ("Band"). Elected in June of 2012, to a four-year term she also holds the distinction of being the first woman and youngest person ever to serve in this position.

Chairwoman Jones is a 2003 graduate of Bemidji State University, where she earned two degrees in accounting and business administration.

Prior to holding public office, Chairwoman Jones distinguished herself in the field of finance. From 2005 to 2008, she served as the Band's controller of finance. In 2009, she served as controller of finance for a neighboring tribe's casino. Chairwoman Jones returned to the Band in 2009 to serve as the finance controller, which she held this position until her election as Chair.

Chairwoman Jones is well known across Indian country for her service to community, and is proud to serve as a role model to youth, especially young women.