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Minutes of May 9, 2016 State Board of Elections Meeting--DRAFT

Members Present:

Mr. Chambers, [R]-Wilmington
Mr. Pasquale, [D]-New Castle County
Mrs. Pugh, [D]-Sussex County
Mrs. Sandstrom, [D]-Kent County
Mr. Sterling, [R]-New Castle County, At-Large
Mrs. Tatman, [R]-Sussex County
Dr. Warfield, [R]-Kent County
Mrs. Williams-Mayo [D]-New Castle County, At-Large

Staff Present:

Mr. Albence, Director, New Castle County Office
Mr. Greig, Deputy Director, Kent County Office
Comm. Manlove, State Election Commissioner
Mr. McDowell, Director, Sussex County Office
Mr. Sholl, Deputy Director, New Castle County Office
Mrs. Young, Director, Kent County Office

1. Mr. Pasquale called the meeting to order.

2. Mrs. Pugh moved and Mr. Chambers seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the April 11, 2016, meeting, as presented. Motion passed. (Mr. Pasquale abstained, as he was not present for the meeting.)

3. Commissioner Manlove presented an update on the status of the Department's budget for the current fiscal year to date. Expenditures for the Department are on target for the fiscal year. The Department has exhausted federal Help America Vote Act (HAVA) funds, which have funded many initiatives in the past. The Department is working on strategies to maintain initiatives and programs funded with HAVA funds via other funding sources.

4. Commissioner Manlove provided an update on the current statewide voter registration total as of May 1, 2016, as well as historical voter registration data. The total number of registered voters in the State as of May 1, 2016 was 662,287.

5. Commissioner Manlove provided a recap of upcoming elections and the Department's recent and upcoming outreach activities.

6. Commissioner Manlove provided a recap of the website statistics of the Department, including visits to the State Election Commissioner and county office websites, provided via the Google Analytics program.

7. Commissioner Manlove provided a recap of current State legislation:
    - HB: TBD: A bill to authorize a Campaign Finance Appeals Board.
    - HB 342: A bill establishing an Elections Voting Equipment Selection Task Force.
    - HB 375: A bill to move the date of the State Primary to the same date as the Presidential Primary Election.
    - SB242: A bill to remove the payment of fines and restitution as a requirement for those convicted of a felony to be permitted to register to vote.

8. Commissioner Manlove provided a recap of reports on a blog questioning the reporting of some election results from the Presidential Primary. The information was not related to any issues connected with the Department's/DTI's reporting of election results.

9. Commissioner Manlove provided a recap regarding the Department's ERIC program, including historical statistics over the last 12 months, as well as statewide voter registration transactions for the month of March, including details on transactions by type.

10. Commissioner Manlove provided a recap of those Candidate and Political Action Committees late on filing required Campaign Finance reports, per deadlines established in Delaware Code, and a listing of candidates currently filed for office as of the meeting date.

11. Commissioner Manlove provided a recap of official election results of the Brandywine and Christina School District referenda and for the Presidential Primary (by county).

12. OLD BUSINESS:
    - None

13. NEW BUSINESS:
    - Mr. Pasquale proposed that the Board meet at the Sussex County office in June and in the Kent County office in July. The board affirmed this proposal.

14. Mr. Sterling moved and Mr. Chambers seconded a motion to approve the removals as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

15. Mr. Sterling moved and Mrs. Sandstrom seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

James A. Sterling, III
Secretary

NEXT MEETING: MONDAY, JUNE 13, 2016, AT 4PM
LOCATION: DEPARTMENT OF ELECTIONS-SUSSEX COUNTY OFFICE, 119 N. RACE ST; GEORGETOWN, DE 19947

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