Minutes of October 9, 2017 State Board of Elections Meeting

Members Present:  
Mr. Pasquale, [D]-New Castle County  
Ms. Pugh, [D]-Sussex County  
Mr. Sterling, [R]-New Castle County, At Large  
Mrs. Tatman, [R]-Sussex County  
Mrs. Whittington, [R]-New Castle County  
Mrs. Williams-Mayo [D]-New Castle County, At Large

Staff Present:  
Mrs. Manlove, State Election Commissioner  
Mr. Albence, County Director, New Castle County Office  
Mr. Greig, Deputy County Director, Kent County Office  
Mr. Sholl, Deputy County Director, New Castle County Office  
Mrs. Turner, Deputy County Director, Sussex County Office  
Mrs. Young, Director, Kent County Office

Public Present:  
None Present

1. Mr. Pasquale called the meeting to order at 4:02 p.m.

2. Mrs. Tatman moved and Ms. Pugh seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the September 11, 2017, meeting, as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

3. Commissioner Manlove provided an update on the current financial status of the Department and an update on the Department’s appropriation per the FY2018 state budget.

4. Commissioner Manlove provided an update on the current statewide voter registration totals. The total number of registered voters in the State as of October 1, 2017 was 684,009.

5. Commissioner Manlove provided a summary of upcoming elections and the Department’s upcoming outreach and staff activities.

6. Commissioner Manlove provided a recap of the Department’s website statistics, including visits to the State Election Commissioner and county office websites, provided via the Google Analytics program.
7. Commissioner Manlove provided an update on activities related to the State's membership in ERIC (Electronic Registration Information Center). As discussed at the prior Board meeting, a comparison of ERIC data and voting history in other member states has revealed that four (4) individuals appear to have voted in both Delaware and Maryland in the 2016 General Election. Both Delaware and Maryland have referred these individuals to their respective state Departments of Justice for further investigation. No updates are available on this matter at this time.

8. Commissioner Manlove provided a summary of Voter Registration transactions for through September 30, 2017, by type and source.

9. Commissioner Manlove provided an update on the work of the Voting Machine Task Force. The Task Force is about to finalize the Request for Proposal (RFP), in partnership with the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). The target release date for the RFP release is early November.

10. OLD BUSINESS:
   - None

11. NEW BUSINESS:
   - Mr. Sholl reviewed the proposal to subdivide two New Castle County Election Districts due to population growth. The change will provide additional capacity to accommodate population growth and will enable the Department to provide better service to the voters of the area.
   - Commissioner Manlove discussed her participation in a recent meeting of Electronic Records Information Center (ERIC) member states convened to discuss the future direction of the organization.
   - Commissioner Manlove provided an update on the recently reported attempted breach of the State's voter registration system. The breach attempt was successfully blocked by security precautions in place.

12. Mr. Sterling moved and Mrs. Williams-Mayo seconded a motion to approve the removals as presented. Motion passed unanimously.
13. Ms. Pugh moved and Mr. Sterling seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

[Signature]

James A. Sterling III
Secretary

NEXT MEETING: MONDAY, November 13, 2017
LOCATION: OFFICE OF THE STATE ELECTION COMMISSIONER, 905 S. Governors AVE STE 170 DOVER DE 19904