

STATE OF DELAWARE BOARD OF ELECTIONS

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Minutes of August 10, 2015 State Board of Elections Meeting

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
Ms. Whittington, [R]-New Castle 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. Elaine Manlove, State Election Commissioner
Mr. McDowell, Director, Sussex County Office
Mr. Sholl, Deputy Director, New Castle County Office
Ms. Turner, Deputy Director, Sussex County Office
Ms. Young, Director, Kent County Office

- 1. Mr. Pasquale called the meeting to order at 4:07 p.m.
- 2. Mrs. Pugh moved, and Mrs. Sandstrom seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the July 6, 2015 meeting, as amended. Motion passed unanimously.
- 3. Commissioner Manlove updated the Board on the status of hiring a Financial Manager for the Department and the role of this new staff member.
- 4. Commissioner Manlove circulated materials regarding voter registration removals for members to review. She provided additional information regarding the sources of the materials and the rationale of the removal process.
- 5. Commissioner Manlove provided an update on the upcoming elections scheduled throughout the State.
- 6. Commissioner Manlove provided an update on the status of the eSig (electronic signature) program for voter registration and background on

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recent enhancements to the program via the State's participation in the ERIC program.

- Commissioner Manlove provided an update on the status of the iVote online voter registration system and voter portal. System enhancements are ongoing, being coordinated by Mr. Sholl and Chris Ramos, of the Commissioner's office IT staff.
- 8. 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.
- 9. Commissioner Manlove provided a recap of upcoming travel by Department staff.
- 10. Commissioner Manlove provided a recap on the latest updates regarding the status of the complaints filed by LaMar Gunn regarding the 2014 Kent County Recorder of Deeds race. She also updated the Board on the status of a complaint filed regarding a municipal referendum held in Rehoboth Beach (conducted by the municipality, using the Department's voting machines).
- 11. Commissioner Manlove provided an update on equipment maintenance, repair, and upgrades currently underway.
- 12. Commissioner Manlove provided a recap of the status of the project to virtualize the computer servers used to store the signatures captured at the Division of Motor Vehicles for voter registration purposes.
- 13. Commissioner Manlove distributed copies of SB165, sponsored by Sen. Karen Peterson. The bill concerns revisions to voting in school elections. The bill would requiring voters in school elections to be registered voters, and would institute voting by mail for school elections.
- 14. Commissioner Manlove provided an update on the status of Department's activities pertaining to archiving and FOIA requests and request tracking.
- 15. Commissioner Manlove provided a recap regarding the Department's ERIC program, including historical statistics over the life of the program's implementation.
- 16.OLD BUSINESS: Mr. Sterling requested an update on the status of options for teleconferencing to permit members to participate in the meeting if not able to be physically present. Commissioner Manlove replied that available options are still being explored.
- 17.NEW BUSINESS: Mr. Sholl distributed a calendar for the 18th District Special election, and Mr. Albence distributed a sign-up sheet for certification of the voting machines to be used in the election.

- 18. Mr. Sterling moved and Mrs. Whittington seconded a motion to approve the removals as presented. Motion passed unanimously.
- 19. Mrs. Pugh moved and Dr. Warfield seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

James A. Sterling, III Secretary

<u>NEXT MEETING</u>: MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2015 AT 4:00PM <u>LOCATION</u>: OFFICE OF THE STATE ELECTION COMMISSIONER