



STATE OF DELAWARE
BOARD OF ELECTIONS

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Minutes of February 8, 2016 State Board of Elections Meeting

Members Present:

Mr. Chambers, [R]-Wilmington
Mr. Pasquale, [D]-New Castle 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. 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. Manlove, State Election Commissioner
Mr. McDowell, Director, Sussex County Office
Mr. Sholl, Deputy Director, New Castle County Office
Mrs. Young, Director, Kent County Office

Visitors Present:

Johna Valera, Wilmington University Student
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1. Mr. Sterling called the meeting to order. Mr. Chambers moved and Mrs. Sandstrom seconded a motion to appoint Mr. Sterling the acting chair. Motion passed unanimously.

Mrs. Sandstrom moved and Mrs. Whittington seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the January 11, 2016, meeting, as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

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.

4. Commissioner Manlove provided an update on the current statewide voter registration total as of February 1, 2016, as well as historical voter registration data. The total number of registered voters in the State as of February 1, 2016 was 654,827.

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5. Commissioner Manlove provided a recap of upcoming elections and the Department's current activities.
 6. Commissioner Manlove provided a recap of the Department's upcoming Joint Finance Committee Public Hearing and Joint Sunset Committee Hearing, scheduled for February 22 and 23, respectively.
 7. 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.
 8. Commissioner Manlove provided a recap of upcoming staff travel.
 9. Commissioner Manlove provided an update on recent staff training on software used for ballot building (voting machines and absentee system).
 10. Commissioner Manlove provided a recap of current State legislation:
 - HB 167 (Signed into law): This bill proposed changes to campaign finance disclosure laws.
 - HB 247 (proposed): This bill proposes changes to campaign finance contribution limits.
 - Bill not yet assigned a bill number: This bill proposes automatic voter registration tied to transactions initiated at the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV).
 - NOTE: Commissioner Manlove recapped her meeting with the legislator proposing this legislation, in which she recapped the current practices in place regarding the federally-mandated "Motor Voter" program, and the success of those practices.
 11. Commissioner Manlove provided a recap regarding the Department's ERIC program, including historical statistics, as well as statewide voter registration transactions from July 1-December 31, 2015, and transactions detail by type for December.
12. OLD BUSINESS:
 - None
13. NEW BUSINESS:
 - None
14. Mr. Pasquale moved and Mr. Chambers seconded a motion to approve the removals as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

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15. Mr. Pasquale moved and Dr. Warfield seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,


James A. Sterling, III
Secretary

NEXT MEETING: MONDAY, MARCH 14, 2016, AT 4 p.m.

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