

MINUTES
Wicomico County Board of Elections
345 Snow Hill Road, Salisbury, MD 21804
Wednesday, April 17, 2019

ATTENDEES: Catherine Keim, Board President, Republican Member
Katrina Purnell, Board Secretary, Democratic Member
Brad Bellacicco, Republican Member
Joseph Collins, Republican Member (via phone)
Sharon Morris, Democratic Member
Peter Golba, Board Attorney
Anthony Gutierrez, Election Director
Dionne Church, Election Deputy Director

ABSENT: None

GUEST: None

The Wicomico County Board of Elections met Wednesday, April 17, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. Public notice was given and the agenda was posted at the Board of Elections office the week prior to the meeting.

Catherine Keim called the meeting to order, as there was a quorum present, and Brad Bellacicco voluntarily led the Pledge of Allegiance and the Lord's Prayer.

Catherine Keim asked for approval of the March 20, 2019 minutes. Brad Bellacicco made the motion to approve the minutes; seconded by Joseph Collins, passed, unanimously.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Our IT Specialist has completed our post-election maintenance and is now working with SBE on testing the e-pollbooks in preparation to implement the anticipated "Election Day Registration" for the 2020 elections. After each legislative session, SBE usually prepares a short synopsis of elections-related bills. Whenever we receive it, we will e-mail it to the board and place a paper copy in your red folders, since it might be a long report and we can save money.

We have not yet received a copy of the new, signed Board Attorney agreement so that we can have it for the files and so that we know how much to start paying under the new rate structure. Pete will work on this and get it to us.

As of April 17, 2019, the County Executive's proposed FY20 budget was posted online on the County website. The total for our department is \$1.33M and it also lists the job titles and salaries for most department employees, which is a new feature. It now goes to the County Council for final approval.

The Director will be out next week on vacation.

OLD BUSINESS:

Joseph Collins made a motion to adjourn the regular Board Meeting at 9:08 a.m. to reconvene as the Board of Canvassers; seconded by Brad Bellacicco, passed unanimously.

The Board of Canvassers convened at 9:09 a.m. Sharon Morris made a motion to open discussion

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of the November 2018 General post-election canvass minutes; seconded by Brad Bellacicco, passed unanimously.

Katrina Purnell made a motion to accept the amended November 8, 2018 and November 16, 2018 Canvass Minutes, as well as the amended November 14, 2018 Canvass Minutes with one further correction; seconded by Brad Bellacicco, passed unanimously.

At 9:14 a.m., a motion was made by Sharon Morris to adjourn the meeting of the Board of Canvassers; seconded by Brad Bellacicco, passed unanimously.

At 9:15 a.m., a motion was made by Katrina Purnell to reopen the general meeting of the Board of Elections; seconded by Brad Bellacicco, passed unanimously.

Discussion followed regarding the status of the proposed budget. Also, when we get the 3rd Quarter SBE billing, we will re-check the FY19 budget and let the board know our status.

NEW BUSINESS:

Possible alternative sites for polling place in Delmar were discussed; confirmation from Delmar Elementary will be obtained and alternative sites explored.

The Director gave the board a handout on Wicomico County past turnout for their use.

MISCELLANEOUS:

None

MEMBERS TIME:

None

CLOSED SESSION:


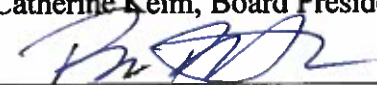
None

ADJOURNMENT:

Catherine Keim announced the next scheduled meeting would be Friday, May 17, 2019 at 9:00 a.m.

Sharon Morris made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Brad Bellacicco, passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 9:45 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Catherine Keim, Board President	Date
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Bill Blockston	Date