

## MINUTES OF THE ELECTORAL BOARD MEETING July 12, 2016

The regular meeting of the Orange County Electoral Board was called to order by the Vice Chairman, Vince Basedow, on Tuesday, July 12, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. in RM 268, located at 146 Madison Road, Orange, Virginia.

Attendees: JoAnne Speiden, Secretary; Vince Basedow, Vice Chairman; Donna Jenni, General Registrar; Mary Brook Miller, Elections Manager.

- I. The meeting was called to order. Vince moved to accept the minutes from the last meeting (May Canvass). JoAnne seconded and the motion was approved.
- II. Old Business
  - a. Reinstating felon voting rights- No outstanding issues in the office; reinstatement will occur on a rolling basis.
- III. New Business
  - a. Department of Elections Annual Training: Recap
    - i. Offered a broad range of topics. Overcrowding issue seemed to be alleviated.
    - ii. New cell phone regulations: Voters can have cell phones and even take photos in the polling place
    - iii. Provisional ballot issues: Provisional ballots issued to voters who are in the wrong precinct cannot be counted; the notice given to the voter clearly states this. Provisionals should only be issued if the voter insists that they are registered and eligible to vote in that precinct.
  - b. Status of Election Preparations
    - i. Our office hopes to schedule a meeting with the school administration, Electoral Board, and County Administrator to discuss the use of school facilities on Election Day, including accessibility requirements, drop off and pick up of election materials, etc. Meeting date TBD.
    - ii. Absentee voting begins September 23<sup>rd</sup> 2016. L&A Testing will be scheduled in early-mid September.
    - iii. Election Officer Recruitment: The office is in the process of sending ~800 letters to a sample of registered voters in hopes of recruiting at least 40 new officers. We have already seen a promising response and have acquired several new workers.
    - iv. Page Program: Mary Brook will be in contact with OCHS administration and teachers toward the end of summer to begin preparations to reinstate the program.

- v. Donna is getting 5 new laptops to be used as EPBs. This will ensure that there enough to send 3 to each precinct and still have backups.
- c. Upcoming Training and Outreach
  - i. Voter Registration and Voter Photo ID outreach (\*including simultaneous Electronic Pollbook Workshops for Election Officers at the libraries)
    - 1. August 30<sup>th</sup> at the Wilderness Library from 10am-12pm\*
    - 2. September 1<sup>st</sup> at Dogwood Village 9am-12pm
    - 3. September 8<sup>th</sup> at Gordonsville Library 2pm-4pm\*
  - ii. Electronic Pollbook Classes on September 13<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> in the Sedwick Building Meeting Room from 10am-12pm. These are optional supplemental sessions for officers who want additional practice navigating the pollbook software.
  - iii. Mandatory training dates, including New Officer Training, TBD
- IV. The next meeting will be held on September 6<sup>th</sup> 2016 at 10:00am.
- V. Vince moved to adjourn at 12:00pm. JoAnne seconded and all were in favor.

*Respectfully submitted by Mary Brook Miller, Elections Manager*