

GOOCHLAND COUNTY ELECTORAL BOARD

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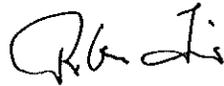
The Goochland County Electoral Board met on March 2, at 9 am. Present: Bes Stewart, Chair, Robin Lind, secretary, Frances Ragland, general registrar, and newly appointed Electoral Board member Wanda Taylor.

The minutes of the February 2 meeting being unavailable, the secretary recommended that the minutes be dispensed with until the following meeting. The chair and secretary then welcomed Ms. Taylor who presented her oath of office, signed and sealed by the Clerk of the Court. A copy was earlier transmitted to the General Registrar and is incorporated hereby in these minutes.

In accordance with §24.2-106, calling for annual organization of officers, the secretary nominated the slate of Chair Bes Stewart, Vice Chair Wanda Taylor and Secretary Robin Lind for the coming year. Discussion ensued and Ms. Stewart expressed her preference to serve as secretary, having already served as chair and vice chair. The secretary amended his motion to reflect her preference. The board voted unanimously to accept his amendment, and then voted unanimously to approve his amended nomination slate.

The offices being reorganized, the duty of recording the minutes devolved to the new secretary.

Respectfully submitted, Robin Lind, Chair.

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Present: Bes Stewart, Secretary, Wanda Taylor, vice chair, Robin Lind, secretary, and Frances Ragland, general registrar.

Wanda Taylor was welcomed to the board and her oath was presented to the registrar.

The board discussed organization for 2015, resulting in Robin Lind, chair, Wanda Taylor vice chair, and Bes Stewart, secretary.

Timetable was set for the upcoming board meetings to 9:00 am on the first Mondays of the month. The board agreed to be flexible due to work schedules.

The board dispensed with the February 2nd, 2015 minutes, because they could not be located.

Old business:

The State equipment proposal was defeated resulting in no reimbursement for equipment purchase moving to optical scanners. The ESS equipment was reviewed. The board unanimously requested the registrar direct ESS to update the missing Paragraph in the contract Article 3, Section 2. The board is awaiting an updated contract from ESS to go forward with the equipment purchase.

The chair explained that he had given some of the old election equipment to the Goochland Historical Society.

The registrar explained that a Tim Lewis, a new election officer, was identified.

The board discussed the possibility of allowing the election officers to work shifts on Election Day. The board unanimously requested the registrar to contact the Henrico registrar to discuss how they operate with shift workers as election officers.

Legislative Update:

The chair shared that a bill passed to change the duties of the general registrar and the electoral board to reflect the current reality, resulting in the general registrar as the Director of Elections.

The bill passed requiring a copy of the voter's drivers license be sent with the absentee ballot.

Annual VEBA Meeting:

The annual VEBA meeting will be held at the Homestead March 6th-8th. Robin Lind will be presented as the First Vice President for VEBA at the meeting.

New Business:

If Goochland will have a primary in June, the board directed the registrar to post announcements online or ten locations around Goochland Courthouse.

The chair proposed changing the pay frequency to quarterly. He asked the registrar to contact the finance office regarding this change. This motion failed for lack of second.

The chair suggested that the registrar contact the Powhatan registrar to form an alliance with surrounding counties. The board suggested that the chair contact the Powhatan board at the annual meeting to see if they were interested in an alliance.

The board unanimously requested that a new website be updated for the election board and registrar. The assistant registrar is set to update the website. The registrar is inquiring to see if county email addresses are available for the electoral board.

The board unanimously requested that the registrar have the assistant registrar be set up with access into VERIS.

There being no further business, the board adjourned at 10:28 am.

Respectfully submitted,

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Bes Stewart, Secretary