

Goochland County Electoral Board
Minutes 9/23/19

The Goochland County Electoral Board convened at 6 pm in the Registrar's Conference Room but was not called to order awaiting the arrival of the Vice Chair. At 6:10 pm the secretary called the vice chair who said she would be unable to attend. The meeting was then called to order at 6:11 pm. Present: Chair Keith Flannagan, Secretary Robin Lind, Director of Elections/General Registrar Ryan Mulligan. The public was represented by Supervisor Susan Lascollete.

The minutes of 8/15 were considered for adoption. The chair proposed a motion to amend the minutes. The motion failed for want of a second. Adoption of the minutes was passed by.

The chair requested minutes for the L&A Testing of 9/17. The secretary said it was not customary to prepare minutes for L&A testing but said he would present them with subsequent minutes.

Discussion ensued on the current roster of Officers of Election. The secretary and chair both agreed to make personal calls to potential or prospective candidates.

The director of elections provided an update on the return of misplaced voters.

The director of elections confirmed the withdrawal of Sheriff's candidate Emiel Fisher before the deadline for printing; his name will not be included on the November ballots.

Discussion ensued on candidates' financial reports. At least three candidates have reports that are either late or incomplete.

The director of elections reported on continuing efforts to re-instate civics classes with the GHS government teacher; it may be more likely for the presidential primary in March, 2020.

The chair introduced discussion on legal representation for the general registrar, joined by Ms. Lascolette, who enquired whether the county attorney had consulted with him during the recent effort to seek a court order for the return of misplaced voters. The secretary expressed his surprise and related that the county attorney had expressly denied a responsibility to represent the Electoral Board despite his reference to §15.2-1542 A.

On a motion by the secretary, seconded by the chair, the board voted unanimously to direct the general registrar to request from the County Attorney a statement in writing as to what legal representation she will provide to the General Registrar and the Electoral Board.

The director of elections reported that work on misplaced voters and Absentee Voting preparations had hampered his ability to conduct the USPS survey. He said he would contact Mr. Bell to see if the deadline could be extended or late participation be of any value.

Discussion ensued on the specific space needs at Shallowell Precinct. The director of elections said he would forward contact information to the secretary for a meeting with the new rector.

Training dates for and were set:

October 29: 6 pm — Chiefs, Assistant Chiefs

October 30: 6 pm — Officers

October 31 10 am, 2 pm — Officers

Discussion ensued on the meeting schedule for the remainder of the year:

October 8: 6 pm Board meeting

November 3: 7 am EPB data installation

November 5: 5 am - 9 pm Precinct Visits

November 6: 9 am Canvass

November 7-8: Possible Canvass for Photo ID provisional

November 12: 6 pm Board meeting

December 10: 6 pm Board meeting

November 14 or 21st : 6 pm Election “Hotwash” — Officer of Election Dinner

During open discussion, Ms. Lascolette asked general questions on polling places, precincts, re-districting, candidate finance reports and fines for violations, and the number of candidates filing electronically rather than by paper.

There being no further business, the board voted unanimously to adjourn at 7:57 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robin Lind". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Robin Lind, Secretary