

Goochland County Electoral Board
Minutes, April 14, 2021

PLEASE NOTE: The Electoral Board is holding virtual meetings pursuant to and in compliance with the Virginia Freedom of Information Act, Section 2.2-3708.2 and state and local legislation adopted to allow for continued government operation during the COVID-19 declared emergency. All meetings are advertised in advance on the Goochland County Website, and open to public participation.

In this instance, the board met in person preceding Logic & Accuracy testing which commenced following the close of the official meeting.

The Goochland County Electoral Board convened at 8:35 in the office of the Director of Elections.. Present: Chair Keith Flannagan, Vice Chair Wanda Taylor, and Director of Elections/General Registrar Ryan Mulligan; Secretary Robin Lind, homebound with injury, attended by Zoom call; from the public: none.

On a motion by the vice chair, seconded by the secretary, the minutes of February 9, 2021 meeting were approved as corrected.

Brief discussion ensued regarding the secretary's inability to attend in person.

The Director of Elections reported on the candidates for the June Primary. Republican House incumbents have no party challengers; Democratic candidates are unopposed for nomination. The Republican Party will choose its candidates for statewide office by unassembled caucus. The only primary candidates will be for the Democratic nominations to statewide office.

The Director of Elections has ordered ballots for 25% turnout, a little over twice the historical record for Democratic Party primary turnout .

Absentee voting begins on April 23 using the General Registrar's office with one-way traffic: voters entering through the lobby, casting ballots in the conference room, exiting through the south door. A dropbox will be placed in the lobby entrance. Handicapped voters will be permitted to exit through the lobby. The office will be open for voting during regular office hours 8:30 to 4:30, and on the last two Saturdays preceding the primary.

At present 92 Absentee Ballots have been requested by mail and about 30 will be sent by email to overseas and military voters.

Notices for the new precinct locations at Blair and Hadensville will not be mailed until after the May 4 meeting of the Board of Supervisors when a revised ordinance is expected to be adopted.

Discussion ensued on the Voting System Security Plan. On a motion by the secretary, seconded by the vice chair, the board voted unanimously to accept the Plan submitted by the Director of Elections subject to review by the several electoral board members, with the opportunity to reconsider before April 16.

There being no further business, on a motion by the chair, seconded by the vice chair, the board voted unanimously to adjourn at 8:56 am and proceeded to the Administration Building Conference Room for L&A Testing.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robin Lind". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a large initial "R" and "L".

Robin Lind, Secretary