

Goochland County Electoral Board
Minutes August 9, 2022

The Goochland County Electoral Board was called to order at 6:00pm. Present: Chair Pamela Johnson, Vice Chair Robin Lind, Secretary Wanda Taylor and Chief Deputy Registrar Shannon Grayson. The Director of Elections/General Registrar Ryan Mulligan was absent. Also present were Goochland residents: Bob Walker, Alyssa Chalifoux, Mark Goyne and Emma Lalumandier.

During citizen comments, Emma questioned the availability of the cast vote record detail asking for the code that allows county to audit election. Vice Chair stated that Goochland was the first jurisdiction to ever request a hand-count audit from the State Board of Elections and it was conducted in 2016 showing 100% accuracy of the paper ballot tabulators. He said he would send her a copy of the report via email.

On a motion by the Vice Chair, seconded by the Chair, the minutes of July 12th meeting were approved as printed with correction.

The Chief Deputy Registrar submitted the latest voter registration counts after the completion of redistricting. There are 20,201 active voters in the county. The board reviewed the registration count by locality and discussed the impact of the change. The Chief Deputy Registrar stated that Elect will send out new registration information to everyone in early September.

The Electoral board visited the new precinct locations: Byrd Elementary and Chief Cornerstone Baptist Church. Conversation was held concerning increasing staff and machines in the Centerville precinct.

The Chief Deputy Registrar presented the Electoral Board with ten names for approval as Officers of Elections. The Vice Chair moved that the Board accept the names as presented by the Director of Elections subject to approval by the Precinct Chief and the General Registrar. The Secretary seconded the motion. Approved unanimously.

A motion was made to take from the table, the approval of the New Campaign Finance Policy by Vice Chair and the Secretary seconded, after discussion the motion carried. Policy was signed and approved by the Electoral Board.

Legislation discussion: All members of the Electoral Board attended the county legislation day on 8/5. The Chief Deputy Registrar announced that same day registration provisional will be flagged in VERIS. The Vice Chair motion to order 105% ballot for each precinct for the upcoming election, seconded by the Secretary. Continue discussion ensued around HB150 – Virginia Freedom of Information Act; local public bodies to post meeting minutes on its website and SB80 – Acceptability of electronic medium; record of criminal proceedings to appellate court.

The board discussed with the Chief Deputy Registrar the preparation needed for the upcoming election, such as the training scheduled. Early voting training will be offered on 9/21 in room 270 from 6pm-9pm. Regular officer of election training will be offered on 11/3 and 11/4 at 10am, 2pm and 9pm in room 270. Chief and Assistant Chiefs training will be held on 11/2 from 6pm-9pm in room 240. The board encouraged all to recruit officers for early voting. The Chief Deputy Registrar stated that they have started packing the precinct envelopes

and updating the Chief and Assistant Chief notebook with the “What If’s.”

Officer Reports:

- The Chair reiterated that voting integrity is at the forefront for each member of the Electoral Board and the residents of Goochland County. We are proud to say that we do not have some of the issues that are being reported in different localities, cities and state.
- The Vice Chairs request notification when the new Virginia Voting Law Book will be available.
- The Secretary no report

There being no further business, on a motion by Chair seconded by the Secretary the board voted unanimously to adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted

Wanda Taylor

Wanda Taylor, Secretary