

Augusta County Electoral Board
Approved Minutes of Meeting
February 4, 2022
Smith West Room, Augusta County Government Center

- I. Call to Order. The meeting was called to order at 9:01am. Present were: Marcy Reedy, Chair; Dave Leatherwood, Vice-Chair; Georgia Alvis-Long, Secretary; Connie Evans, Director of Elections and General Registrar; and Robin Moyer, Assistant Director of Elections and Chief Deputy Registrar.
- II. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting. Dave moved approval of the minutes from the January 21st meeting, with one addition from Marcy. Georgia seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
- III. Registrar's Report.
 - A. Update on budget meeting and status.

Connie reported that she and Dave had met with Misty to officially submit our FY 22-23 budget proposal. The FY 22-23 budget proposal reflects costs associated with both increased staffing demands and requirements of redistricting. Dave and Connie both felt confident there would be no issues with our proposed budget requests for operations and funding.
- IV. Continuing Business.
 - A. Public Redistricting Hearing on Feb 9.
 - Any further comments or thoughts to share in advance of the public hearing?

No one was aware of any comments, concerns, or questions received by a voter other than the ones heard from our last redistricting meeting. Marcy stated that she would send an email to Leslie and Caroline asking if there was anything that the Board may need to be aware, regarding polling locations or voter statements, prior to the hearing on Feb 9.
- V. New Business.
 - A. Approve Officers of Election.
 - Review master list of OEs and make any changes.
 - Discuss the appropriate length of the approved term.
 - Formally approve all OEs.
 - Discuss the OEs hours of service on Election Day (per VA Code, 24.2115.1)

Review and discussion ensued on a master list of Officers of Election, the term that they would be asked to serve, and the hours that they would be required to work on Election Day.

Once all had been reviewed and discussed, Dave moved to approve the "Finalized Master List of OEs" to a 1-year term, that will begin March 1, 2022 and will expire February 28, 2023. Marcy seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Dave suggested that the Board seriously consider for a 2- year term next year in order to get us through the 2024 Presidential Election. Marcy and Georgia were in agreement with the suggestion. (The complete list of officers appointed shall be available for inspection per VA Code 24.2-115.) Furthermore, Dave moved that for continuity and integrity of Election Day

activities the hours of operation to serve, for all OEs, will be in its entirety. Georgia seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

B. Discuss OE Needs & Gaps.

- Where are our primary needs? Which precincts need attention?
- What are the needs for chief and ACs? How can we recruit new OE leadership?
- What are our immediate needs to staff a June primary?

Discussion ensued on the necessity for Chief's, Assistant Chief's, and OEs for the 4 new precincts. Marcy suggested that the Board make an announcement regarding this need at the Public Redistricting Hearing, on Feb 9, and to have application forms available for those who would be interested in serving. Prior to the Hearing, the Board decided they would ask the Chair of the BoS if he would allow the opportunity for such an announcement to be made.

Furthermore, Marcy suggested that when OE letters were being sent out for appointment to the June Primary that a line be included asking them to consider stepping up to position of Chief or Assistant Chief in order to cover new precincts or future openings, explaining that additional training would be made available. Dave and Georgia were in complete agreement with the suggestion.

VI. Other Business.

A. Public Comments.

No public was present.

B. Board Member Comments.

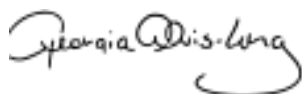
Marcy questioned as to how election equipment that would be needed for a June Primary was being handled. Discussion ensued. Connie will reach out to Kimberlee and Matt, at ESO, to invite them by Zoom to our next meeting to discuss the matter and what our options would be.

Dave stated that with precinct changes made due to redistricting he felt that in order to keep things fair and equitable, amongst Board members, consideration of redistribution should be addressed before the June Primary. It was decided that this was a good idea and would be placed on a future agenda for discussion.

VII. Adjournment.

The meeting was unanimously adjourned at 10:14am. The next meeting date agreed upon was March 4, 2022 at 9:00am. Location TBD.

Respectfully submitted,



Georgia Alvis-Long, Secretary

* Note: Directly after adjournment of the meeting, Marcy made all aware that an email had been sent to each of us from Caroline at 9:01am. Caroline reported, *"We have only*

had a handful of people express concerns or objections; it seems like many people are good with the proposed changes.”