



CUYAHOGA COUNTY
BOARD OF ELECTIONS

**Board Meeting
2-15-2018**

Attending:

Inajo Davis Chappell, Chairwoman
David J. Wondolowski, Member
Robert S. Frost, Member
Pat McDonald, Director
Anthony W. Perlatti, Deputy Director
Brendan Doyle, Assistant Prosecutor, Cuyahoga County

Linda D. Walker, Clerk to the Board
Anthony Alto, Clerk to the Board

The Board Meeting began via roll call at 9:44 a.m.

Chairwoman Chappell: Present
Board Member Wondolowski: Present
Board Member Frost: Present
Board Member Hastings: Present

Agenda Item 1: Approval of Minutes from the January 17, 2018 Board Meeting

The Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes from the January 17, 2018 board meeting.

Agenda Item 2: Acknowledgement of the following Secretary of State Directives:

- Directive 2018-03: Availability of a Remote Ballot Marking System for Use by a Voter with a Disability During Ohio's By-Mail Absentee Voting Period
- Directive 2018-04: 2018 General Voter Records Maintenance Program - NCOA Process Only
- Directive 2018-05: Examination and Verification of Petitions from Candidates for Statewide Office

Chairwoman Chappell asked Director McDonald if staff identified a vendor on the list for the Remote Marking System.

Director McDonald stated that there is only one vendor that is certified called Democracy Live. Staff will be meeting with them soon.

Agenda Item 3: Protest against TJ Dow, candidate for Representative, Ohio House District 10

The transcript of proceedings from the protest hearings are incorporated by reference into the minutes and are available for review upon request.

Chairwoman Chappell moved to deny the protest. Board Member Hastings seconded the motion.

The Board voted unanimously to deny the protest against TJ Dow, candidate for Representative, Ohio House District 10.

Agenda Item 4: Certification of Candidates and Issues for the May 8, 2018 Primary Election*

Candidate and Petition Services Manager Brent Lawler stated that the listed candidates did not meet the statutory requirement and should not be certified to the May 8, 2018 Primary Election. None of the candidates were present.

The Board voted unanimously not to certify the listed candidates to the May 8, 2018 Primary Election. Lawler stated that the listed candidates did not indicate the municipality, ward, and/or precinct in the description of the office sought. None of the candidates were present at the meeting.

The Board voted unanimously not to certify the listed candidates to the May 8, 2018 Primary Election. Lawler stated that the following candidates for Democratic Central Committee are ineligible because they voted in the opposing party's primary in 2016 and 2017. None of the candidates were present at the meeting.

The Board voted unanimously not to certify the listed candidates to the May 8, 2018 Primary Election. Lawler stated that the listed candidates are ineligible because they listed a different municipality, ward and/or precinct than that which they are registered. None of the candidates were present at the meeting.

The Board voted unanimously not to certify the listed candidates to the May 8, 2018 Primary Election. Lawler stated that the listed candidates are ineligible because the name or address on their registration card does not match the address on petition. None of the candidates were present at the meeting.

The Board voted unanimously not to certify the listed candidates to the May 8, 2018 Primary Election. Lawler stated that the listed candidates are ineligible because the circulator did not indicate on the circulator clause the number of signatures witnessed. None of the candidates were present at the meeting.

The Board voted unanimously not to certify the listed candidates to the May 8, 2018 Primary Election. Lawler stated that the listed candidates are ineligible because they did not satisfy the minimum 5 signature requirement. None of the candidates were present at the meeting.

The Board voted unanimously not to certify the listed candidates to the May 8, 2018 Primary Election. Lawler stated that the listed candidates are ineligible because the candidates dated the candidacy clause of their petition after obtaining signatures of voters. None of the candidates were present at the meeting.

The Board voted unanimously not to certify the listed candidates to the May 8, 2018 Primary Election. The Board voted unanimously to certify the listed candidates to the May 8, 2018 Primary Election with the exception that Board Member Wondolowski abstained from voting on his certification for County Democratic Central Committee, and Board Member Frost abstained from voting on his certification for Republican State Central Committee.

Agenda Item 5: Acknowledgement of Candidate Appointments, Resignations, and Withdrawals

The Board voted unanimously to acknowledge the appointments, resignations, and withdrawals of the listed candidates.

Agenda Item 6: Acknowledgement of the December 5, 2017 Mayoral Run-Off Election Post-Election Audit

The Board voted unanimously to acknowledge the December 5, 2017 Mayoral Run-Off Election Post-Election Audit

Agenda Item 7: Approval of Vouchers

* The listed candidates are incorporated into these minutes and are available upon request.

The Board voted unanimously to approve the vouchers as listed, except for Board Member Frost who abstained from voting on approval of his voucher.

Agenda Item 8: Approval of Personnel Agenda

The Board voted unanimously to approve the personnel agenda as reflected in the agenda.

Agenda Item 9: Security Report

Business Administrator Sean Webster stated that the Board of Elections is implementing several security upgrades. The security camera system was replaced with a new state-of-the art system. A backup power system was purchased and installed for the new security camera system. Public Works purchased a new set of exterior doors for both the front and rear entrances. Motion alarms were installed in the basement, second, third, and fourth floors to complement the two new existing motion alarms at the front and rear entrances on the first floor. A card reader access control system has been purchased via state-term contract from Integrated Precision Systems, which provides most other access controls systems utilized by the County. Locks will be added to the inner vestibule doors at both the front and rear entrances. A comprehensive security survey of the Board of Elections was performed by Roger Mook. With the exception of early voting days and Election Day, the front entrance to the Board of Elections Building has remained locked since 9/21/17. An additional Protective Services Officer has been requested for most Board Meetings. Public Works and Protective Services switched offices on the first floor, allowing protective services to have a clear view of the parking lot. Staff is working with Public Works, the Sheriff's Department, and the Office of Emergency Management to develop and Emergency Action Plan for the Board of Elections.

Public Testimony

Frank Matthews

Mr. Matthews spoke on online voter registration and use of Application Program Interface.

Norm Robbins

Mr. Robbins spoke on the need for a means for third parties to follow online registrations.

Erika Anthony

Ms. Anthony spoke about Application Program Interface.

Rico Dancy

Mr. Dancy spoke about access to the ballot for disabled voters.

Rev. Pinkey Butts

Rev. Butts made several comments about the voting process and her past interactions with the Board.

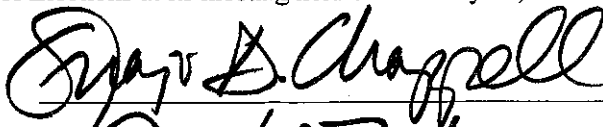
The Board voted unanimously to enter executive session at 10:56 a.m.

The Board voted unanimously to enter into public session at 12:01 p.m.

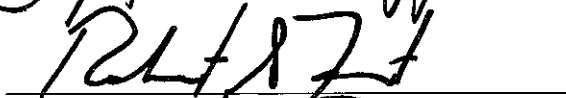
The Board voted unanimously to adjourn at 12:01 p.m.

Certification: I have reviewed the above minutes and certify that they are an accurate summary of the actions taken by the Cuyahoga County Board of Elections at its meeting held on February 15, 2018.

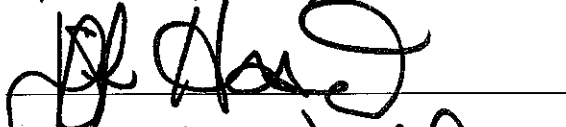
Inajo Davis Chappell, Chairwoman



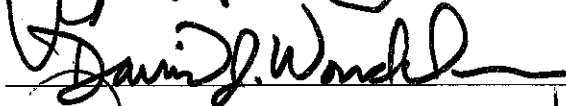
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