



**Board Meeting
1-17-2018**

Attending:

David J. Wondolowski, Acting Chairman
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 9:36 a.m.

Board Member Wondolowski: Present
Board Member Frost: Present
Board Member Hastings: Present

The Board voted unanimously to excuse the absence of Chairwoman Chappell.

Agenda Item 1: Approval of Minutes from the November 28, 2017 and December 19, 2017 Board Meetings

The Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes from the November 20, 2017 and December 19, 2017 board meetings.

Agenda Item 2: Janet Kolp Voter Challenge

Director McDonald stated that staff is recommending that the Board cancel the registration of Janet Kolp because she does not live at her registered address.

Registration Manager Betty Edwards stated that staff received a letter from Christine Seme who resides at 9056 Lindberg Boulevard indicating that she received a voter notification card for Janet Kolp. The letter also stated that Janet Kolp does not live at the 9056 Lindberg address. Staff attempted to contact Kolp by various means including Google, Intelius, and court dockets, but without success. Staff is asking the Board to cancel Kolp's registration.

Board Member Hastings asked if the reason why the Board sent the voter notification card to Kolp at the Lindberg address was because she signed a petition in 2016.

Edwards replied yes, that signing a petition is voter activity and so the voter must remain on the rolls. The only way to remove a voter's registration in a case like this is to file a voter challenge, which is exactly what Seme did here.

The Board voted unanimously to cancel the registration of Janet Kolp.

Agenda Item 3: Acknowledgement of the September and November 2017 Post-Election Audit

Ballot Manager Brian Cleary stated that the accuracy rate for both audits was 100%.

The Board voted unanimously to acknowledge the September and November 2017 Post-Election Audits.

Agenda Item 4: Acknowledgement of Resignations and Withdrawals

The Board voted unanimously to acknowledge the resignations, and withdrawals as reflected in the agenda.

Agenda Item 5: Approval of Vouchers

Board Members Hastings asked if there was an issue with servers in 2013.

Director McDonald stated that the backup server for the phone systems failed on Election Day. These servers are different.

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

Agenda Item 6: Approval of Personnel Agenda

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

New Business

2018 OAEO Winter Conference Summary

Deputy Director Perlatti stated that there are four (4) election related pieces of legislation. Senate Bill 10 will prevent special primaries when the election is uncontested. Senate Bill 21 reduces the number of poll workers to no less than two (2) per precinct for those precincts using electronic poll books. Senate Bill 44 allows campaign committees to file finance reports electronically and changes the filing deadline of charter amendments. House Bill 41 makes in house voting at the Board more similar to voting on Election Day. There was much discussion about funding for new voting equipment. Secretary of State Husted's proposal calls for \$120 million to be set aside for voting equipment.

Board Member Frost stated that he is on a special task force for the future of elections. This committee will help to determine the needs of boards of elections in light of the incoming secretary of state. The committee will specifically suggest that type of new legislation or regulation will be needed. The Lake County Board of Elections Chairman is also on the committee. Director McDonald stated that he will put together a committee within the managers at the CCBOE to provide recommendations to the task force.

Public Testimony

José Feliciano

Mr. Feliciano introduced himself and stated that the Board has a good relationship with the Hispanic community. He received many calls about a certain employee, and that is the reason why he is before the Board. He urged the Board to use fairness in deciding the issue.

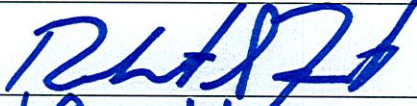
Juan Molina Crespo

Mr. Crespo introduced himself and stated that the Hispanic Alliance and the Board of Elections have partnered in programs over the last several years. He stated that the Board should act with maturity in coming to a decision. He stated that the offense of the employee is similar to a speeding ticket, and it would be wrong to take away someone's driver's license just for a speeding ticket.

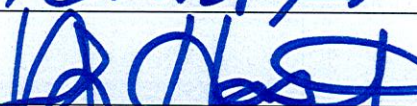
The Board voted unanimously to adjourn at 10:02 a.m.

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 January 17, 2018.

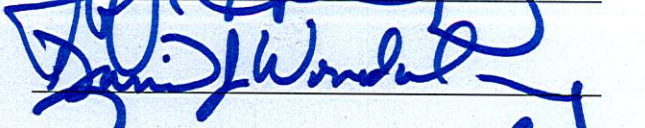
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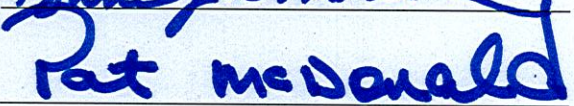
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