Electoral Board
Isle of Wight County Virginia
03 May 2023

The Electoral Board of Isle of Wight County held its regularly scheduled meeting on Wednesday, 03 May 2023 at the General Registrar's Office at IOW Courthouse. The Chairman called the meeting to order at 2:03 PM. Members present were Inetha Holmes (Chairman), Rod Hallum (Vice Chairman), Geoffrey McFather (Secretary), and Lisa Betterton (Director of Elections (DE)/General Registrar (GR)).

The minutes of the 05 April 2023 Electoral Board Meeting were read. Motion was made, seconded, and unanimously approved to accept the minutes as written. Once signed by the Electoral Board Members, the minutes were delivered to the DE for filing.

Secretary's Report.

1. Discussion ensued to discuss the Affidavit Form a voter must sign if the voter is unable to produce proper Voter ID. EB asked GR to identify how many times the Affidavit Form was used during the several elections over the 2 or 3 years.
2. Discussed and confirmed Inetha Holmes and Rod Hallum will be attending the upcoming VEBA Meeting/Bootcamp. GR confirmed she has made hotel reservations for both Inetha Holmes and Rod Hallum.
3. Discussion addressing the particulars of the required 2023 Locality Election Security (LES) Standards Remediation Acknowledgement form and our EB, IT and County Administrator signatures. Rod Hallum has taken completion of the IT Assessment spreadsheet and remediation requirements for action. Completion and signing of the Acknowledgement form should be accomplished at June 2023 EB.
4. The Secretary provided a high-level review of topics covered during the recently-concluded Annual Virginia Electoral Board Association (VEBA) Meeting at Roanoke, VA. An important review of the new President, VP, Treasurer and Secretary elections was a significant focus of the Board's discussion.
5. Discussed the dates for the upcoming 2023 and 2024 elections and dates.
6. Discussed placing a 2nd Red Custody/Security Tag on each of the DS200s so that if one tag breaks, the 2nd Red Custody/Security Tag still validates the sealed integrity of the DS200.
7. Discussed posting the list of all upcoming Primary Poll Workers on the bulletin board within the Registrar's Office very shortly. Reinforced our commitment a 50/50 split between the two parties when it comes to individual precinct staffing.
8. Discussed the need for the EB to perform the GR's Annual Performance Review during the June 2023 EB Meeting.

Motion was made, seconded and a unanimous vote rendered to accept the Secretary's Report as delivered.

General Registrar's Report.

1. Candidates "Qualified" for November General Election: Dallas Atkins (Treasurer) / James Clarke (Sheriff) / Gerald Gwaltney (Treasurer) / Laura Smith (Clerk of Court) / Renee Rountree (School Board – District 1). Candidates still In-process: Jason Maresh (School Board – District 4) / Mark Wooster (School Board – District 2). GR provided EB an update regarding the Campaign Finance violation matter regarding Renee Rountree and its prompt resolution.
2. GR reported her intention to rent two (2) 16-foot rental trucks with lifts for the county personnel to deliver the voting equipment across the county the day prior to the upcoming primary.
3. GR reported her staff will be notifying the Election Officers of their assigned precincts for the upcoming Primary and making them aware of the June Election Officer Training Sessions.
4. GR provided the EB a brief on the recently-concluded Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Physical Security Assessment of the Registrar's Building. County Administration representatives were also present and interacted with the DHS Assessor. Recommendations for physical security improvements were documented.
5. GR provided the EB a brief of the voter that notified the Registrar that he wants his name removed from the Voter Rolls because he is NOT a U.S. Citizen. GR researched the gentleman's voting record and validated that the man had previously indicated on his Voter Registration documents that he IS a U.S. Citizen. Accordingly, the GR referred the entire matter over to the IOW County Commonwealth's Attorney for her review and action.

Motion was made, seconded and a unanimous vote rendered to accept the General Registrar's Report as delivered.

New Business.

1. No New Business was discussed.

Old Business.

1. LES due and should be finalized for submission during our June EB Meeting.

Good of the Order.

None was offered or discussed.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:33 PM

Inetha Holmes, Chairman Rod Hallum, Vice-Chairman Geoff McFather - Secretary