Electoral Board
Isle of Wight County Virginia
04 December 2024

The Electoral Board of Isle of Wight County held its regularly scheduled meeting on Wednesday, 04 December 2024 at the General Registrar's Office at IOW Courthouse. The Chairman called the meeting to order at 2:02 PM. Members present were Inetha Holmes (Chairman), Rod Hallum (Vice Chairman), Geoffrey McFather (Secretary), and Lisa Betterton (Director of Elections (DE)/General Registrar (GR)). In accordance with the Isle of Wight County Electoral Board *Electronic Participation Policy (EPP)*, Vice Chairman Rod Hallum virtually attended, participated and voted.

The minutes of the 05 November 2024 General Election and the following 9 days of Canvas processing were reviewed and a motion for approval was offered, seconded, approved, signed and submitted to the DE for filing on the Isle of Wight County website for public consumption.

Secretary's Report.

1. The Secretary reported that he did not offer any agenda items for addressed during the preceding month or the upcoming month of Electoral Board activities.
2. The Secretary reported that the Chairman of the Republican Party of Isle of Wight County has requested the Secretary agree to be nominated for another 3-year Electoral Board Term beginning January 1, 2025. The Secretary reported he has submitted the requested documentation to the Republican Party Chairman required to accompany the Chairman's nomination to the Chief Judge of the Isle of Wight County Circuit Court. If appointed by the Chief Judge, the Secretary will be certain to meet with the Clerk of the IOW County Circuit Court to be administered his Oath of Office prior to the Christmas holiday.

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

General Registrar's Report.

1. The GR reported that she and her staff have compiled a list of internal Registrar staff to improve and streamline their preparation for future primaries and general elections. It was the general consensus of the Electoral Board, the General Registrar and her staff that the significant workload increase directly caused by the Same-Day Registration process needs to be escalated to the State Board of Elections (ELECT), the Virginia Electoral Board Association (VEBA), and the General Assembly of Virginia.
2. A discussion ensued regarding the transfer of Election Day documents to the Clerk of the Circuit Court and the Clerk's storage of the documents for the retention period. The GR and the Electoral Board explored ways we might be able to further

streamline and build efficiencies into our delivery and transfer of such Election Day documents to the Clerk for storage.

3. Another discussion ensued the duplication of Election Day tabulation of election results from one media to another in our effort to document and validate Election Day results. The Electoral Board and the GR agreed to try and identify more automated and efficient means of tabulation, validation and documentation without introducing the increased potential for transcription error caused by such data duplication. The Vice Chairman suggested that the Electoral Board query the Virginia Beach Electoral Board and perhaps the Martin County Electoral Board (Virginia Tech) to determine mechanisms those jurisdictions may have implemented to more efficiently manage the huge volume of Same-Day Registrations experienced by their jurisdictions. The Vice Chairman also indicated that the Electoral Boards across the Commonwealth need to be prepared with facts and statistics to engage the VEBA Leadership and the Virginia General Assembly / Virginia Senate speakers that will be scheduled to address the next annual VEBA Meeting.

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

New Business.

1. None this month.

Old Business.

1. None this month.

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1. None this month.

There being no further business, meeting adjourned by motion and second at 2:31 PM

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