

MINUTES

December 7, 2016

MEETING OF THE ALLEGANY COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS
701 Kelly Road, Room 213, Cumberland, Maryland

Present: Richard DeVore, President
Ronald Levasseur, Member
Georgia Martin, Member
JoAnn Spiker, Member
John T. Stakem, Member
Diane Loibel, Election Administrator

Absent: Armand Pannone, Board Attorney

Call to Order:

Mr. DeVore called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M., at which time a quorum was established.

Minutes:

Mr. DeVore called for alterations, corrections, and/or approval of the minutes.

MOTION: Mrs. Martin motioned to accept the November 2, 2016 minutes as written.

SECOND: Mrs. Spiker

ACTION: Favorable and unanimous.

Additions: None

Attorney's Report: None

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

OLD BUSINESS:

Christmas Luncheon: The Christmas luncheon is scheduled for today at 11:30 A.M.

NEW BUSINESS:

Polling Place Evaluations: Mrs. Loibel reminded board members that they need to turn in their polling place evaluations as soon as possible so that they can be sent to SBE.

Post-Election Maintenance: Mrs. Loibel explained that post-election maintenance will begin once the voting equipment is released. That should be some time later this month. We hope to start post-election maintenance sometime in January.

Registration Statistics: Statistics as of November 30, 2016 were as follows: Total Active Registration 43,611 – 14,598 Democrat, 21,329 Republican, 121 Green, 253 Libertarian, 6,985 Unaffiliated, and 325 Others.

Board Members Report: Mr. DeVore and Mr. Stakem represented the Allegany County Board of Elections at the recent Salary Study Commission meeting on November 21, 2016. They explained the Roles and Responsibilities of a board member and the amount of time required to conduct an election. They will make their recommendations to the County Commissioners at the January 5, 2017 board meeting.

Closed Meeting: Mr. DeVore requested a motion to close the board meeting under the General Provisions Article §3-305(b)(1), which permits closing a meeting to conduct the performance evaluation of an employee. Mr. John Stakem made a motion to convene in closed session, and Mrs. Georgia Martin seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. The open meeting recessed at 9:15 AM. Mr. DeVore, Mrs. Spiker, Mrs. Martin, Mr. Levasseur, and Mr. Stakem attended the closed session to conduct the performance evaluation. The closed meeting adjourned at 9:42 A.M. The open meeting reconvened at 9:43 A.M.

Next Meeting: The next regular meeting will be held on February 1, 2017 at 9:00 A.M.

Adjournment:

Mr. DeVore adjourned the meeting at 09:44 A.M.

MOTION: Mrs. Martin motioned to adjourn the meeting.

SECOND: Mr. Stakem

ACTION: Favorable and unanimous.

Presiding Officer