

# GARRETT COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

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### **BOARD MEETING**—May 1, 2018

**ATTENDING:** Lois A. Martin, Board President

Charles Nolan, Board Member Paul Kolb, Board Member

Randy Glotfelty, Substitute Board Member Connie Meyers, Substitute Board Member

Steve D. Fratz, Election Director

**ABSENT**: None

5:00 PM—Meeting was called to order and quorum determined by Board President Lois Martin.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

The minutes for the April 3, 2018 meeting were approved on a motion made by Charles Nolan, seconded by Randy Glotfelty and made unanimous by Lois Martin.

### **ELECTION DIRECTOR REPORT:**

There were 70 new registrations and 32 removals in the month of April.

Steve was the guest speaker at the Democratic Club's April 5<sup>th</sup> meeting. There was a good turnout and the meeting went well.

On April 11<sup>th</sup> Geneva Brown along with the new transportation company came to Garrett County and met with Steve. The transporting of all the equipment was discussed and finalized.

Steve attended an on-line Directors Meeting on April 12<sup>th</sup>. The following items were discussed:

- The FY18 Inventory Audit needs completed by June. Steve will be completing this using the Inventory Database on his cell phone.
- New Legislation
  - ➤ There are 2 referendums on the General Ballot: (1) Same Day Registration on Election Day, (2) Gaming revenue earmarked for education only.
  - > Starting July 2019 certain state agencies will be required to do automatic registration for all residents unless they opt-out of being registered.
  - There will be a Post-Election Audit that will mandate the use of automatic software for scanned images and a manual 100% recount on all ballots within 120 days following the election. This will take effect June 2018 and be used for the 2018 General Election.
  - Security for the state has encouraged all LBE's to join MS-ISAC Multi-State Information Sharing & Analysis Center and MS-ISAC Election Infrastructure Information Sharing. State of Maryland employees are not permitted to access social media on State networks. Steve has attached the State of Maryland "Election Security" on the Garrett County Board of Elections website.

On May 10<sup>th</sup> there will be a USPS conference call. The Postal Service will give us information on the best way to label mailers, etc.

Julie Fratz-Orr, County Technician, will be starting on May 11th for the Primary Election.

The week of May 14<sup>th</sup> – May 18<sup>th</sup> the pollbooks will be charged and the new update installed, May 21<sup>st</sup> – May 25<sup>th</sup> the Ballot Marking Devices and pollbook printers will be charged and May 29<sup>th</sup> – June 1<sup>st</sup> the DS200's will be charged and we will prepare for L&A.

The office will be closed on May 28th in observance of Memorial Day.

June 5<sup>th</sup> is Close of Registration for the Primary Election.

On June 6<sup>th</sup> The Board will perform L&A.

The Disaster Recovery Plan has been approved and Steve has copies available.

The Alternate Vote Center of both Early Voting centers is the LBE office.

The ballot for the Primary 2018 Election is posted on the office and the website.

Specimen Ballots have been submitted for approval. They will be mailed the week of June 4th.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

None

### **NEW BUSINESS AND CORRESPONDENCE:**

Steve discussed the Judges Training sessions to date with the Board. They agreed the Mock Election was successful. The Board made the suggestion to Director Steve Fratz that any Election Judge that does not make it to training should be relieved of their duties. No makeup training should be offered. Steve advised the Board he would take their suggestion into consideration.

The Board will need to preform 2 evaluations for each early voting center.

### **ADJOURNMENT:**

The next Board Meeting has been scheduled for June 6<sup>th</sup> at 9 AM.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:40 PM on a motion by Randy Glotfelty, seconded by Paul Kolb and made unanimous by Lois Martin.

Lois A. Martin, President of the Board