

# GARRETT COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

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## **BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

October 9, 2019

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

Randy Glotfelty, Board Vice President

Charles Nolan, Board Member Connie Meyers, Board Secretary James Moore, Board Member Steven D. Fratz, Election Director

**ABSENT:** 

None

5:05 PM-Meeting was called to order and quorum determined by Lois Martin.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

The minutes for the September 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2019 meeting was approved on a motion made by Chuck Nolan, seconded by Randy Glotfelty and made unanimous by Lois Martin.

#### **ELECTION DIRECTOR REPORT:**

There were 73 new registrations and 27 removals in September.

On September 18th Chrissy Sharpless and Diana Wilt went to Frederick for MDVOTERS training.

On September 24<sup>th</sup> Steve attended a bi-weekly training on composing a disaster plan for our office, early voting sites and election day polling sites. The training will be held for 9 sessions.

Steve attended a GoTo Directors Meeting on September 26th. The key topics discussed were as follow:

- National Federation of the Blind (NFB) Litigation. Surveys will be sent out requesting quantity of TS Machines used in the 2014 election, warehousing square footage and etc.
- The United States will not be withdrawing from the Universe Postal Union.
- There will be numerous surveys sent out pertaining to the upcoming election regarding supplies, etc. in the next few weeks.

Steve finished up the cellular signal testing at the polling sites. Two of the sites had no service.

On September 27 SBE approved the 2019/2023 Garrett County Board of Elections By-Laws.

Pollbook testing has been rescheduled from the week of October 7<sup>th</sup> to the week of October 21<sup>st</sup>.

The voting system upgrade that was being considered for the 2020 Elections has been terminated.

The office will be closed on October 14<sup>th</sup> in observance of Columbus Day.

The BIENNIAL is being held on October 17<sup>th</sup> in Annapolis. Steve discussed lodging, meals, transportation and the agenda with the Board.

The 2020 MAEO Convention will be held in Ocean City on June 2<sup>nd</sup> through June 5<sup>th</sup>.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

All Election Judges have been contacted concerning serving as a judge for the 2020 election cycle. All but 13 judges have committed to serving for the 2020 Elections.

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

The Sang Run polling site was previously held in the Special Events Center at Garrett College, however the Special Events Center is no longer available. Steve spoke with the Garrett College and the Continuing Education Building would be available to use as a polling site. Steve proposed a motion to move Precinct 6-Sang Run from the Special Events Center at Garrett College to the Continuing Education Building also at Garrett College. The move was approved on a motion made by Chuck Nolan, seconded by Randy Glotfelty and made unanimous by Lois Martin.

Judges Training for the 2020 Election will be held at the Garrett Engineering & Robotics Society (GEARS) building, formally the old Phoenix Building. It is tentatively scheduled for February 2020.

# **ADJOURNMENT:**

The next board meeting is scheduled for November 5<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 PM.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:50 PM on a motion by Randy Glotfelty, seconded by Chuck Nolan, and made unanimous by Lois Martin.

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