



GARRETT COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

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BOARD MEETING MINUTES

September 1, 2020

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
Becky Heath, Visitor

ABSENT: None

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The minutes for the July 7th, 2020 Board of Canvassers meeting was approved on a motion made by Chuck Nolan, seconded by Jim Moore and made unanimous by Lois Martin

The minutes for the July 7th, 2020 meeting was approved on a motion made by Chuck Nolan, seconded by Jim Moore and made unanimous by Lois Martin. The August meeting was postponed.

ELECTION DIRECTOR REPORT:

There were 175 new registrations and 39 removals in August.

The Green and Libertarian Parties have received the required number of signatures and are now a recognized party.

On August 28th Steve appeared via Skype before the State Board to explain why he was not utilizing both of the county high schools for vote centers on election day. He explained that Southern High School is only ½ mile from the Oakland Community Center, which is used as one of our 3 vote centers. They approved the request to not include Southern High School as a vote center.

As of September 1st we have received 1,100 ballot applications.

Beginning August 31st, the office is open and fully staffed. The office door is locked, however there is a drop box for election related materials located outside the office door during business hours.

The ballot has been approved and is displayed on our website and outside the office door.

On September 8th Steve is scheduled to meet with the County Commissioners to update them on the Presidential Election.

OLD BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS AND CORRESPONDENCE:

Steve distributed a handout of dates and times pertaining to the election to the Board.

Election Judges Training has been scheduled for the following times and places:

- September 25th at 1 p.m. and 6 p.m. and September 26th at 9 a.m. at the Career Technology Training Center in Accident.
- October 1st and October 2nd at 6 p.m. at Garrett College in the Garrett Information Enterprise Center, room 111.

The public demonstration of Logic and Accuracy will be held October 9th at 9 a.m.

October 13th at 5 p.m. is the close of Voter Registration.

October 15th is the deadline for Write-in Candidates to file.

Early Voting will begin Oct 26th through November 2nd at the Oakland Community Center and Garrett Outreach Center. Election Day is November 3rd at the Oakland Community Center, Northern Outreach Center and Northern High School.

Drop boxes will be located at the Oakland Community Center and Northern Outreach Center October 1st through Election Day, November 3rd.

Canvasses dates are as follows:

- November 5th Mail-In Ballot Canvass at 9:00 a.m.
- November 11th Provisional Ballot Canvass at 9:00 a.m.
- November 13th Mail-In Ballot Canvass II at 9:00 a.m.

Julie Fratz-Orr, County Technician, will start September 8th.

The Election Judges salary for Early Voting will be increased to coincide with Election Day pay on a motion made by Connie Meyers, seconded by Randy Glotfelty and made unanimous by Lois Martin.

ADJOURNMENT:

The next board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 6th at 5:00 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:05 p.m. on a motion by Randy Glotfelty, seconded by Chuck Nolan, and made unanimous by Lois Martin.


Lois Martin, Board President