

# GARRETT COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

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## **BOARD MEETING**—September 4, 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

The Board of Canvassers convened and on a motion make by Chuck Nolan, seconded by Paul Kolb and made unanimous by Lois Martin, the minutes were approved for all Canvasses as well as the Final Election Statistics.

Two ballots were received after the Absentee Ballot Canvass 2. Both ballots were considered untimely. A motion to reject the ballots was made by Paul Kolb, seconded by Chuck Nolan and made unanimous by Lois Martin.

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

There was no business to discuss in August and was previously agreed on by the Board to cancel that meeting.

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

The minutes for the July 5, 2018 meeting were approved on a motion made by Paul Kolb, seconded by Randy Glotfelty and made unanimous by Lois Martin.

### **ELECTION DIRECTOR REPORT:**

For July and August combined we had 238 new registrations and 173 removals. Active registered voters are as follows for Garrett County: Democrat -4213, Republican -12873, Green -36, Libertarian -113, Unaffiliated -2512 and 131 others for a total of 19878.

Steve attended an on-line Directors meeting on July 19<sup>th</sup>. The main topic of discussion was Post Election Maintenance which Steve finished up last week.

On August 16<sup>th</sup> Steve traveled to Glen Burnie for tabletop exercises pertaining to Pre-Election and Post-Election situations. Steve felt this was a good exercise.

Steve had a conference call today, September 4<sup>th</sup>, with the United States Postal Service to discuss any issues that we may have had and how the USPS can help the election mailing process with this upcoming election.

On September 4<sup>th</sup> Chrissy Sharpless went to Garrett College to attend student orientation and do a voter registration drive. She was joined by Maxine Shendel on behalf of League of Women's Voters. Chrissy gave out numerous absentee applications as well as registered a few new voters.

On September 10<sup>th</sup> Julie Fratz-Orr will return as county technician.

Judges Training for the General Election will be held on October 6<sup>th</sup> at Garrett College. The training will began at 8:30 with breakfast being served and will commence at 12 PM.

MAEO 2019 is scheduled for May 21-24, 2019.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

None

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

The ballot is set for the General Election. The proofing will need to be completed by close of business Thursday September 6<sup>th</sup>. The write-in deadline is October 18<sup>th</sup>.

Steve gave an election calendar handout to the Board with required Board attendance dates highlighted.

## **ADJOURNMENT:**

The next Board Meeting has been scheduled for October 2<sup>nd</sup> at 5 PM.

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

Lois A. Martin, President of the Board