

BOARD MEETING
BALTIMORE CITY BOARD OF ELECTIONS
MAY 19, 2022

The meeting of the Baltimore City Board of Elections was held at the Election Board Warehouse at 301 N. Franklinton Road, Baltimore MD 21223

IN ATTENDANCE:

BOARD MEMBERS

Joyce Smith, Vice President
Evette Matthews, Member (VIA Telephone)
Arlene Fisher, Member
Tamara Purnell, Member

ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL

Thomas Chapman

STAFF

Armstead B. Crawley Jones, Sr., Election Director
Abigail Goldman, Deputy Director

ABSENT

Bruce Luchansky, President

GUEST

Tasmin Swanson Baltimore Votes

The meeting was called to order at 4:15 p.m. by Ms. Joyce Smith, Board Vice President. A declaration of quorum was present.

There are no additions to the agenda. The agenda is approved as presented.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

No minutes

ELECTION DIRECTORS REPORT:

Mr. Jones reported that election judge training has picked up and the staff downtown are working on OVL R's and ballot styles are being proofed.

The second absentee ballot mailing will be going out and we are scheduled to work on Memorial Day and the Fourth of July.

Election judges are still being recruited and trained. Mr. Jones stated the next thing he want to do is work on the training pay for the election judges to be increased.

ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL’S REPORT:

Mr. Chapman reported that there is nothing new. There are three petitions out there for Charter Amendments for the General Election.

- Recall of an elected official in City Government
- Term limits
- Baltimore Regional Transportation Authority Mandate Fund

OLD BUSINESS:

Ms. Smith brought up the concern of the Board from the last meeting concerning the unauthorized meeting of the Board president and one other member of the Board. The Board wants a letter to be drafted concerning this.

NEW BUSINESS:

Redistricting: Ms. Goldman explained the law that was passed this year to guarantee we had the same number of precincts that we had in 2018. We were able to keep the same number of precincts as of 2018 which was 296 however our ghost precincts went up due to slivers of land that are unoccupied. We now have 9 ghosts.

Consolidation of precincts: Mr. McAfee explained consolidation of the precinct to the Board. The consolidation of the precincts will only require one set of judges. The equipment is still programmed with the precinct numbers and precinct-based results will be available. This will streamline the process.

Ms. Joyce Smith called for a motion to accept the redistricting and precinct consolidations. The Motion was made by Ms. Purnell and seconded by Ms. Fisher. Motion carried.

NEXT BOARD MEETING:

The next meeting will be held tentatively on June 16, 2022 at 4:00 pm.

Ms. Arlene Fisher made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Ms. Evette Matthews. The meeting adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

President Date

Secretary Date

APPROVED AT 8/19/2022 BOARD MEETING