

BOARD MEETING
BALTIMORE CITY BOARD OF ELECTIONS
FEBRUARY 26, 2015

A meeting of the Baltimore City Board of Elections was held at 417 E. Fayette Street, Room 129, Baltimore, MD 21202.

IN ATTENDANCE:

BOARD MEMBERS

Lawrence C. Cager, Jr., President
Eleanor Wang, Vice President
Tara Andrews, Secretary
Rev. Frankie Powell, Member
Deitra Redmond, Member

STAFF

Armstead B. Crawley Jones, Sr., Election Director
Abigail Goldman, Deputy Director
Terri Marciszewski, Administrative Officer I

BOARD ATTORNEY

Ann MacNeille

The meeting was called to order at 4:10 p.m. by Mr. Lawrence Cager, Board President. A declaration of quorum is present.

The minutes of January 22, 2015 were presented for review. A motion was made to accept the minutes by Ms. Ellie Wang, seconded by Ms. Tara Andrews. Motion carried.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

New Voting Machines ~ Mr. Jones went to a demonstration of the new voting equipment that Maryland will be purchasing. Since there will be new equipment, policies and procedures, Mr. Jones would like to see all directors on the new voting system committee. All staff, election judges and technicians will have to be totally retrained. Five to six voting machines will be available for training. The State Board of Elections will purchase all equipment and the local boards will reimburse the SBE. The State is hiring someone to do public relations for the new voting system.

Also, new this year will be same day registration during early voting.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Ms. MacNeille explained the appeal process for employees. The Director reviews appeals and grievances. The Board discussed whether to serve as "head of the principal unit" for purposes of reviewing the decisions made by the Director as appointing authority. After discussion, the Board decided that the Director was in the best position to fill both roles.

Ms. Deitra Redmond made a motion to go into Executive session to discuss confidential personnel matters, the motion was seconded by Rev. Frankie Powell. All members that were present voted in favor.

The Board went into Executive session at 4:54 and came out of Executive session at 5:22 p.m. Executive session was held in the conference room. In attendance: Lawrence Cager, Eleanor Wang, Tara Andrews, Frankie Powell, Deitra Redmond, Armstead Jones, Abigail Goldman and Ann MacNeille.

There was a discussion of confidential personnel information and an update for the Board.

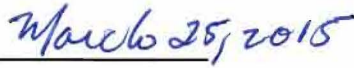
No action was taken while in Executive session.

Ms. Deitra Redmond made a motion to adjourn the Board Meeting; Mr. Frankie Powell seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned by Mr. L. Cager at 5:25 p.m.

The next Board Meeting is scheduled for March 26, 2015.


Lawrence C. Cager, Jr., President


Date


Tara Andrews, Secretary


Date