

**HAMILTON COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS  
MEETING HELD  
APRIL 17, 2019 at 8:30AM**

The meeting of the Hamilton County Board of Elections was called to order at 8:30am by Chair Gwen McFarlin. Present were members Mr. Triantafilou, Mr. Faux and Mr. Gerhardt. Also present: Director Sherry Poland and Shirley Frazier on behalf of Deputy Director Sally Krisel and David Stevenson and Cooper Bowen with the Hamilton County Prosecutor's Office.

Ms. McFarlin noted that proper notice was duly provided as required by O.R.C. 121.22.

**I. PUBLIC HEARING: REGISTERED VOTER CHALLENGES**

Chair McFarlin opened the Public Hearing of Registered Voter Challenges. Chuck Eckert, Registration Administrator provided an overview. As was presented at the previous meeting, there were numerous properties identified in two demolished property reports obtained by the Board; Staff identified 48 voters registered to vote at addresses appearing on the lists prompting the scheduling of this Challenge Hearing. Forwardable mail Notification of the Registered Voter Challenge and Voter Registration forms were mailed to each of the 48 voters; a list provided to the Board:

Numbers 1 through 34: All letters except 2 were returned undeliverable.  
Numbers 35 through 48: All letters except 2 were returned undeliverable.

Chair McFarlin complimented the Board's past voter outreach and expressed interest in future outreach programs. Ms. Poland reminded the Board of the outreach in connection to the new voting equipment that is planned for the coming months.

Mr. Triantafilou made a motion to challenge those 48 voters identified by Staff to be registered at the addresses listed in the Demolished Property reports should they attempt to vote at the polling location in which they are registered; Mr. Faux seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

**II.RESOLUTION: AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF WEBSITE DEVELOPMENT SERVICES AND HOSTING AGREEMENT**

Ms. Poland explained that the current vendor for website development services and hosting will no longer continue in that capacity. Staff desires to

provide a redesigned website for the voters and citizens of Hamilton County. The Board of Commissioners of Hamilton County has in place an agreement for the purchase of website redesigning services, hosting and maintenance which also provides for the utilization of said services by other County Departments. The BOE desires to participate in this purchase agreement and engage vendor to provide website design services and hosting for the Board. Staff anticipates the new BOE website design to be completed by September, 2019.

Mr. Triantafilou made a motion to adopt Resolution #19-002, Website Development Services and Hosting Agreement; Mr. Faux seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

### **III. APPROVE: FULL TIME STAFF APPOINTMENT**

The Board was advised of the addition of full time staff member David Heink to the Registration Department.

Mr. Faux made a motion to approve the full time staff appointment of Mr. Heink; Mr. Triantafilou seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Chair McFarlin allowed for questions/comments from the audience.

Kenny Henning, Southwest Ohio Regional Liaison for the Ohio Secretary of State provided an update as to recent activity including information regarding the first meeting of the Women's Suffrage Centennial Commission, organized to prepare for the celebration of the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of women winning the right to vote.

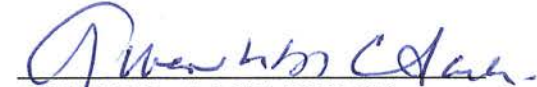
Mr. Henning reported on the visit by Secretary of State Frank LaRose to DePaul Cristo Rey School in Cincinnati to share the importance of registering to vote and voting when one turns age 18. BOE staff members Kyle Dallman and Catherine Tuttle were present at this event to explain the County's Youth at the Booth program to train high school seniors to work at the polls in the November 5<sup>th</sup> Election. Mr. Henning shared Secretary of State LaRose's compliments of Mr. Dallman and Ms. Tuttle on their professionalism and ability to relate to the students in a meaningful way.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Mr. Triantafilou made a motion to adjourn; Mr. Faux seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

**APPROVED:**

**DATE:** May 6, 2019

**CHAIR:**

  
GWEN L. MCFARLIN

**DIRECTOR:**

  
SHERRY L. POLAND