

**HAMILTON COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS
MEETING HELD
NOVEMBER 4, 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 Deputy Director Sally Krisel 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. APPROVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES: OCTOBER 8, 2019

Mr. Triantafilou made a motion to approve the Board Meeting Minutes for October 8, 2019; Mr. Faux seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

II. APPROVE: BALLOT REMAKES

Ms. Criddle presented the following ballots to the Board. All were remade by bipartisan teams pursuant to Secretary of State Directive and Board policy:

**Remakes: UOCAVA
A1 – A24**

Mr. Triantafilou made a motion to approve the ballots as remade; Mr. Faux seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

**Remakes: Stray Marks
A25 – A52**

Mr. Triantafilou made a motion to approve the ballots as remade; Mr. Faux seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

**Remakes: Damaged
A59 - A175**

Mr. Triantafilou made a motion to approve the ballots as remade; Mr. Faux seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

**Remakes: Voter Intent*
A53**

Mr. Triantafilou made a motion to approve the ballot as remade; Mr. Faux seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

A54 – A56

Mr. Triantafilou made a motion to approve the ballots as remade; Mr. Faux seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

A57

Mr. Triantafilou made a motion to approve the ballot as remade; Mr. Faux seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

A58

Ms. McFarlin made a motion to approve the ballot as remade; Mr. Triantafilou seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

***Remakes reviewed by Director and Deputy Director prior to being presented to the Board**

V. REVIEW: LOGIC AND ACCURACY RESULTS

The Logic and Accuracy Public Test Results were reviewed by the Board.

Mr. Faux made a motion to approve the Logic and Accuracy Public Test Results; Mr. Triantafilou seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

VI. DECLARE POLLS OPEN FOR THE NOVEMBER 5, 2019 GENERAL ELECTION

Mr. Triantafilou made a motion to declare the polls open on Tuesday November 5, 2019 at 6:30am; Mr. Faux seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

VII. OTHER BUSINESS

The Board was advised of Staff recommendation of an update of the Personnel Policy, specifically with reference to Section 4.1: Overtime and Compensatory Time. Staff recommends a change to item B of this section: the removal of “holiday leave” as it relates to the computation of hours worked for the purpose of payment of Overtime.

Mr. Triantafilou made a motion to accept the Staff recommendation and approve the Personnel Policy Update; Mr. Faux seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board was advised that Secretary of State LaRose would be visiting the Blue Ash Recreation Center polling location at 6:30am on Tuesday, November 5th and that Girl Scouts from various local troops would be visiting the Board on Tuesday evening as part of their Government Merit badge.

Ms. Poland noted that Staff is in receipt of a protest of the Columbia Township zoning referendum that is proposed for the March 17, 2020 Primary Election Ballot; this item will be included on the November 18, 2019 Board meeting agenda.

Ms. Krisel gave an update of poll worker training, stating that over 2,000 poll workers have been trained and all locations are covered.

Ms. McFarlin provided an opportunity for the audience to address the Board.

Mr. Joseph Janus Jr. asked questions regarding ballot remakes and election results.

Kenny Henning, Southwest Regional Liaison from the Secretary of State's office spoke regarding Secretary of State LaRose's upcoming Election Day visits to several polling locations in Ohio, including one in Blue Ash. He also commended Staff on the Poll Worker training program, indicating he attended a training session and was impressed.

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

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November 5, 2019 at 6:30PM

The meeting of the Hamilton County Board of Elections was reconvened at 6:30pm by Chair Gwen McFarlin. Present were members Mr. Triantafilou, Mr. Faux and Mr. Gerhardt. Also present: Director Sherry Poland and 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. REVIEW: BALLOT REMAKES

Ms. Criddle presented the following ballots to the Board. All were remade by bipartisan teams pursuant to Secretary of State Directive and Board policy:

**Remakes: UOCAVA
A76 – A84**

Mr. Triantafilou made a motion to approve the ballots as remade; Mr. Faux seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

**Remakes: Stray Marks
A119 – A137
A139**

Mr. Triantafilou made a motion to approve the ballots as remade; Mr. Faux seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

**Remakes: Damaged
A94 - A117**

Mr. Triantafilou made a motion to approve the ballots as remade; Mr. Faux seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

**Remakes: Wrong Precinct*
A118**

Mr. Triantafilou made a motion to approve the ballot as remade; Mr. Faux seconded. The motion passed unanimously. **

***Voter’s precinct is Cincinnati 6A; Ballot received by voter was precinct Cincinnati 8A. Ballot remade pursuant to Secretary of State Directive and Board policy to the correct precinct to duplicate ballot cast as applicable.**

****A discussion concerning the process ensued with concern expressed for possibly notifying the voter that they received and voted a ballot for a precinct other than the precinct in which they reside and that the ballot voted and returned was remade. As such a notification would be a new procedure; concern was expressed with regard to scope, precedent and processes which may be involved. To that end the Board suggested Staff conduct an evaluation and provide a report to the Board.**

Mr. Triantafilou made a motion to ask the Director and Deputy Director to review and evaluate the scope of involvement of a notification policy in the event of ballot remakes and to provide said report to the Board; Mr. Faux seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

**Remakes: Voter Intent*
A85**

Mr. Triantafilou made a motion to approve the ballot as remade; Mr. Faux seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

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Mr. Triantafilou made a motion to approve the ballot as remade; Mr. Faux seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

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Mr. Triantafilou made a motion to approve the ballot as remade; Mr. Faux seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

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Mr. Triantafilou made a motion to approve the ballot as remade; Mr. Faux seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

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Mr. Triantafilou made a motion to approve the ballot as remade; Mr. Faux seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

A138

Mr. Triantafilou made a motion to approve the ballot as remade; Mr. Faux seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

II. DECLARE POLLS CLOSED FOR THE NOVEMBER 5, 2019 GENERAL ELECTION

Mr. Triantafilou made a motion to declare the polls closed on Tuesday November 5, 2019 at 7:30pm; Mr. Faux seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

III. OTHER BUSINESS

Various Girl Scout troops from Western Ohio visited the Board of Elections to observe the Board meeting, tour the facilities and learn more about the Election process. The Board engaged in a question and answer session with the Girls Scouts.

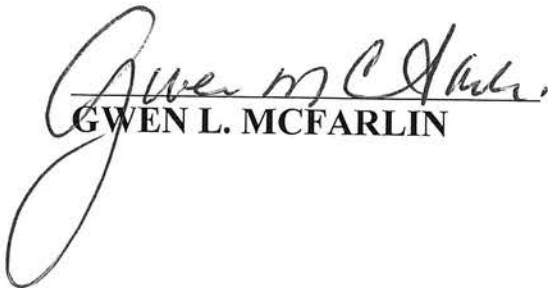
There being no further business to come before the Board, Mr. Triantafilou made a motion to adjourn; Mr. Faux seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

APPROVED:

DATE: November 18, 2019

CHAIR:

DIRECTOR:


GWEN L. MCFARLIN


SHERRY L. POLAND