



## MINUTES

### Floyd County Electoral Board Meeting 14 March 2024

**Call to Order:** 1:00 pm

Attending: Paul Kitchen, Chairman

Becky Howell, Vice Chairman

On Motion: Review and Adoption of Minutes  
for Meetings 1/4/24 through 3/11/24  
adopted unanimously

Bob Smith, Secretary, Phyllis Hall, Asst. Registrar  
A. Ingram, General Registrar T. Mattson, D. Baum,  
P. Spino, K. Via, T. Carter, R. Otte, R. Parrish,  
L. Warriner, Pollworkers, and D. Johnson, Speaker

**Public Comment:** Debbie Johnson discussed the Virginia Project, and "the Case Against E.R.I.C." and the Republican National Committee lawsuit against the Secretary of State of Michigan, and she distributed information to meeting attendees. She mentioned the fact that the Governor had vetoed an override effort by the Legislature to force the Commonwealth to re-join ERIC. She also reiterated her concerns with the purity of the State Voter list, asserting that the list had been compromised by ERIC, and again suggested an audit review of the List for Floyd County. Also, she said the newest posting online that she could find for the Board was from last September.

**Open Discussion** with the attending Officers of Election on the March 5th Dual Primary and electoral process in general. Most felt that printing 3 sets of zero and Results tapes was good, however, it was noted that the result tapes and SOR did not provide a simple means of discerning the party ballot selection of Curbside voters. It was mentioned that access to the Poll Pad data might be helpful. The Board plans to consult with HART to determine how to resolve this issue. Pollworkers were also curious as to why we are required to track party ballot choice for curbside voters. Other topics discussed were the need for more traffic cones; signage recommendations for Willis and Check Schools; the possibility of creating early and late shifts for workers; moving workers around over the course of the day for training and proficiency development; suggestions for recruiting more pollworkers, including reminder signs at polling places, community outreach and Web/Social media presence; and the signal weakness of the call bells at some precincts. Workers were informed that complaint forms must now be displayed in Polling Places, and Training needs to be developed for specific special circumstances during voting operations.

**Budget:** Board and Registrar reviewed current budget, spending, and projected expenses. There is no established submittal deadline at this time, but we are preparing a draft proposal copy. Board determined that sufficient funds in current budget will allow for the purchase of additional equipment cages, which will streamline the distribution of Polling Place equipment, provide secure storage, chain of custody and yield transport cost savings.

On Motion: The Board authorized the purchase of 2 additional equipment cages for voting machine and poll pads, Board adopted on Motion and unanimous consent, allotting the Registrar a maximum expenditure for acquisition. Suggest redistribution of certain PT employee expenses to cover the costs of the 45-day Early Voting mandate.

On Motion: Board recessed for a brief break, by unanimous consent at 2:55 pm, Reconvened at 3:08 pm:

**Web Migration:** D. Francisco updated the Board on the status of the ongoing standalone IT system. April 1st deadline will not be attained, although equipment is expected to be in place, the required software will not be in place to allow for a full system standup. We will need to document needs and meet with County Administrator.

**Calendar for next quarter:**

11 April	Next Regular Meeting - <i>Notice 3 April</i>	18 June	Primary Election Day
TBD	L&A for upcoming Primary	19/20 June	Canvass/Provisional Meeting - <i>Notice 12 June</i>
3 May	Early Voting Start	24 June	Provisional Meeting/Canvass - <i>Notice 17 June</i>
1 June	Pollworker Training	25 June	Submit Abstracts
11 June	First Pre-Processing Session	11 July	Regular Meeting - <i>Notice 3 July</i>
13 June	Regular EB Meeting - <i>Notice 6 June</i>	18 July	ELECT Training, EB and G.R. Richmond
15 June	Second Pre-Processing Session	24 July	Legislative Update Online Webinar EB and G.R
16 June	Equipment staging for Primary		
17 June	Equipment Distribution		
17 June	Chief Officers/Pollpad Officers Meetings		

**Preparation for Primary:** Discussed need for more directional signage, cones and caution tape, also review of paperwork to document party preference of curbside voters.

Next Meeting having been set, and with no further business,  
Motion to Adjourn adopted by unanimous consent at 4:30 pm