

THE DU PAGE COUNTY ELECTION COMMISSION

March 23, 2010

The proceedings of the DuPage County Election Commission at a regular meeting held in Board Room of the DuPage Election Commission at the DuPage Center, 421 North County Farm Road, Wheaton, Illinois, on Tuesday, March 23, 2010, at 9:30 a.m.

Chairman Carney called the meeting to order. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Carney. On roll call, Commissioners Carney, McNamara and Mushow present. Also present Robert Saar, Executive Director; Doreen Nelson, Assistant Executive Director and Patrick Bond, Legal Counsel.

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The floor was given to Executive Director, Robert T. Saar, to administer the lottery to determine the party placement on the ballot for the November 2, 2010, General Election. Paul Fessenbecker represented the Democratic Party, Dagmar Lofgren represented the Republican Party, and no representative was present for the Green Party. The Republican Party will be placed first, the Democratic Party will be placed second and the Green Party will be placed third on the ballot.

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The Board heard public comment from Paul Fessenbecker regarding the 2010 IACREOT Spring Conference expenditures.

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Commissioner Mushow moved, seconded by Commissioner McNamara, to approve and make a matter of record the minutes of March 9, 2010. Commissioners Mushow, McNamara and Carney voted "aye". Motion carried.

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Commissioner McNamara moved, seconded by Commissioner Mushow, to approve the Finance Committee Consent Agenda. On roll call, Commissioners McNamara, Mushow and Carney voted "aye". Motion carried.

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Commissioner McNamara moved, seconded by Commissioner Mushow, to approve the following items on the Finance Committee Consent Agenda:

- Finance Resolution F-007-10; Payment of EC Bills.
- Approved attendance at the International Association of Clerks, Recorders, Election Officials and Treasurers Annual Conference, June 26-July 2, 2010.
- P.O. E-1033; 5075 Canon Copier/Printer

On roll call, Commissioners McNamara, Mushow and Carney voted "aye". Motion Carried.

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Executive Director Saar reported that staff commenced meetings regarding the February 2010 election; what was done right and what could be improved. Meetings will continue and result in enhancements to turn attention to future elections and where elections are heading.

Director Saar advised a letter was sent to the President of ES&S regarding timeline and concerns for firmware upgrades.

Legislation was passed to move the Primary Election to the third Tuesday in March. There is a legislative effort to manage the undervote detection and remove mandate. This will give jurisdictions time to implement the feature and prepare the machines for the Election. Director Saar discussed with Legislative Consultant Morphew the possibility of this being repealed is minimal. The board further discussed other proposed legislation.

Legal Counsel Bond noted the personnel policy is being updated with current law and clarifications will be made regarding Party Appointed Election Judges.

The State Board of Elections was copied in the letter to ES&S, as it stated HAVA funds are being requested for the firmware upgrade. However, in the February 1, 2010, budget HAVA funds will be reduced.

Legal Counsel discussed a bill proposed by Representative Mike Fortner, former West Chicago Mayor, which would require the same number of signatures for Independent candidates as politically established parties and reduces time to secure the signatures. He will research this bill further and discuss his findings with the board in the near future.

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The Board reviewed the Freedom of Information Act Request Report. The board discussed time designations for FOIA responses and ways to keep an inventory in the event of duplicate requests.

The Board discussed a complaint filed through the EEOC.

Commissioner Mushow announced she will be absent at the April 27, 2010, board meeting.

Commissioner Mushow moved, seconded by Commissioner McNamara, to adjourn until the next regularly scheduled Board Meeting on April 13, 2010. Commissioners Mushow, McNamara and Carney voted "aye". Motion carried.

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/s/ Charlotte Mushow
Charlotte Mushow
Secretary of the Board

Reviewed: April 13, 2010

Approved: April 13, 2010