

Electoral Board
Isle of Wight County Virginia
7 April 2021
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The Electoral Board of Isle of Wight County held its regularly scheduled meeting on Wednesday 7 April 2021 at the General Registrars Office at IOW Courthouse. The Chairman called the meeting to order at 2 PM. Present were Inetha Holmes, Chairman, Regina Haggerty, Vice Chairman, William Bell, Secretary, and Lisa Betterton, Director of Elections (DE).

The minutes of the 3 March 2021 meetings were read, approved, signed and given to Ms Betterton for filing.

Secretary's Report. The Secretary reported that the state budget was still not approved. It was back in the veto session with suggested changes by the Governor. ELECT had sent out queries on the GR Evaluation form which seems to indicate it is being updated. Stay tuned on this issue. Legislature has authorized jurisdictions to conduct in person absentee voting on Sundays. Discussion ensued. Board consensus at this time was that Sunday voting not needed. Last Sunday before election can not happen due to preparation of equipment for election day.

General Registrar's Report. The DE provided a report (attached) which showed the absentee turnout for the 2020 November General Election by precinct. This data will be helpful going forward in the cycle as we address the new early voting environment. She also a summary of the cost of the GE(attached). \$64,540 was spent. \$10,600 can be considered one time cost associated with additional equipment.

New Business

June Democratic Primary Schedule.

23 April- Early voting begins (In person and mail)

28 May- Last day to mail absentee ballot

2-3 June- OE Training; 9-11; 1-3; and 4-6

5 June- In person early voting ends.

Ms. Haggerty asked about a pay raise and job title change for key staff. Discussion ensued. Consensus at this point was, given possible

elevation of Directors of Election pay scale statewide in pending budget , that this would be a part of a total effort DE should undertake over the summer to raise the office structure to mirror the offices of the other constitutional officers in the county.

Old Business.

Board agreed to hope for the best on loosening of restrictions on gatherings and plan for the OE Appreciation Picnic at the Smithfield Center using Daddy as caterer. Date and building reservation to be determined by DE. Board responsible for caterer issues.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 2:45 PM

Inetha Holmes , Chairman

Regina Haggerty, Vice-Chairman

William Bell, Secretary