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BOARD MEETING—March 7, 2017

ATTENDING: Lois A. Martin, Board President

Charles Nolan, Board Member Paul Kolb, Board Member

Randy Glotfelty, Substitute Board Member Connie Meyers, Substitute Board Member

Steven D. Fratz, Election Director

ABSENT:

None

5:00 PM-Meeting was called to order and quorum determined by Board President Lois Martin.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The minutes for the February 6, 2017 meeting was approved on a motion made by Chuck Nolan, seconded by Randy Glotfelty and made unanimous by Lois Martin.

ELECTION DIRECTOR REPORT:

There were 60 new registrations and 119 removals in February.

At this time there is no employee leave scheduled for the upcoming month.

Post- Election Maintenance has been completed on all equipment. All equipment that did not pass has been repaired with the exception of one pollbook printer and one pollbook with a CMOS battery that is not charging.

Candidacy Filing for the 2018 Gubernatorial Elections opened on February 28th.

On March 1st Steve was tentatively scheduled to conduct an election briefing for the town of Friendsville. This meeting was delayed and there has not been a new date selected.

On March 16th Steve is scheduled to attend a Directors Meeting in Annapolis.

JB Churchill, GIS Specialist for the Department of Planning and Land Management for the County, is to create a new internet based map for the Garrett County Board of Elections website. The map will be a searchable map showing polling places as well as early voting centers and a description of these places.

The meeting with the Board of Education concerning the use of schools as polling places has not been scheduled yet.

Steve reminded the Board to file their Ethics submission for the 2016 elections.

OLD BUSINESS:

NONE

NEW BUSINESS AND CORRESPONENCE:

Steve informed the Board of the resignation of Tom Carr from the Board of Education. The Garrett County Commissioners will appointment someone to fill that position for the remainder of this term. All three of the Board member districts will be on the 2018 ballot.

The recommendation to increase the Boards stipend was not approved in a Commissioner meeting that was held on March 6th.

Steve informed the Board that He along with Chrissy and Diana has completed all the requirements of the State of Maryland's Anti-Bullying Policy. The Board reviewed the policy and then signed the Affirmation.

Steve gave the Board an update on current election related legislation. The House passed legislation allowing 16 year olds to serve as Election Judges. This legislation now goes to the Senate. House Bill 449 which pertains to increasing the pay for Election Judges has not yet made it to the floor.

ADJOURNMENT:

The next board meeting is scheduled for April 4th.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:35 PM on a motion by Paul Kolb, seconded by Chuck Nolan, and made unanimous by Lois Martin.

Lois A. Martin, Board President