



GARRETT COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

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BOARD MEETING MINUTES

March 7, 2023

ATTENDING: Lois A. Martin, Board President
Randy Glotfelty, Board Vice President
Charles Nolan, Board Member
Connie Meyers, Board Secretary
James Moore, Board Member
Steven D. Fratz, Election Director
Betty Pritt, Visitor

ABSENT: None

4:00 PM-Meeting was called to order and quorum determined by Lois Martin.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The minutes for the January 3rd, 2023 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 146 new voter registrations and 161 removals in January and February combined. Of the 161 removals, 73 were removed due to the confirmation mail process and 40 because the voter is deceased. Active registered voters are as follows for Garrett County: Democrat – 3,696, Republican – 13,672, Green – 22, Libertarian – 110, Working Class Party – 25, Unaffiliated – 2,872, and all other parties -155, for a total of 20,552.

Post-Election Maintenance on the voting equipment has been completed. There are a few pieces of equipment in need of repair. Steve will be in contact with ES&S to perform the repairs.

Steve is currently working on inventory.

On March 16th Steve has a virtual Directors Meeting.

April 1st is the deadline for Board members to submit Ethics forms.

OLD BUSINESS:

The MAEO Conference is scheduled for May 15th through May 19th at the Ocean City Fontainebleau. Steve will be making hotel reservations this week.

NEW BUSINESS AND CORRESPONDENCE:

There is new Legislation bills on the floor pertaining to elections. The bills have not yet been heard so Steve will discuss those at a later meeting.

The 2024 Presidential Primary is scheduled for April 23rd, 2024. There is legislation introduced about moving the date, due to April 23rd being the first day of Passover.

The new Pollbooks will be delivered to the State Board of Elections warehouse sometime in March. After acceptance testing, loading of software and integration testing the Pollbooks will be distributed to the local election offices.

Steve shared with the Board an obituary of a voter which was sent to us by her daughter. As described in her obituary the voter was very proud to always do her civic duty and vote. She moved to a nursing home in Garrett County and was able to vote absentee in the 2022 election.

ADJOURNMENT:

The next board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 4th at 4:00 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:30 p.m. on a motion by Chuck Nolan, seconded by Randy Glotfelty, and made unanimous by Lois Martin.



Lois Martin, Board President