



GARRETT COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

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BOARD MEETING MINUTES

March 5, 2024

ATTENDING: Connie Meyers, Board President
Randy Glotfelty, Board Vice President
Charles Nolan, Board Member
James Moore, Board Secretary
Carla Tesar, Board Member
Steven D. Fratz, Election Director

ABSENT: None

4:00 PM-Meeting was called to order and quorum determined by Connie Meyers.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The minutes for the February 6th, 2024 meeting was approved on a motion made by Chuck Nolan, seconded by Randy Glotfelty, and made unanimous by Connie Meyers.

ELECTION DIRECTOR REPORT:

There were 63 new voter registrations and 169 removals in February. The confirmation mail process accounted for 116 of the removals. Active registered voters are as follows for Garrett County: Democratic- 3,545, Republican- 13,672, No Labels Maryland- 0, Libertarian- 111, Unaffiliated- 3,069, and all other parties- 207, for a total of 20,604.

On February 21st, Chrissy met with the Garrett County Republican Party and certified 25 of their members to be Voter Registration Volunteers.

Chrissy has reached out to all the nursing homes in Garrett County, a COMAR requirement, concerning voting for their residents. The Activity Directors at each facility will assist with distributing Mail-in Ballots to all residents who requests one.

Steve has been in contact with the Garrett County Detention Center for a list of detainees that would like a Mail-in Ballot for the Primary Election, as required by COMAR.

“No Labels Maryland” has been certified as a new political party in Maryland.

Steve reminded the Board if they have not yet filed their 2023 Ethics, the filing deadline is April 1st.

We have received 1,846 Mail-in Ballots to date for the Primary 2024 Election, with 1,577 of those being permanent ballot requests.

Steve picked up 10 new ADA tables from the State Board of Elections warehouse in Glen Burnie.

Upcoming dates are as follows:

- On March 7th, Steve and Chrissy will virtually attend the Maryland Election Administration Education Program training, on the E40 report. This report reveals any voters that have attempted to vote twice in the State. It is generated on the day following the election and before canvass has begun.
- On March 21st, Steve has a Virtual Directors Meeting.

In a letter dated February 14th, the State Board of Elections approved Garrett County to be exempt from having Greeter Judges at the Early Vote Centers.

Ballot Proofing has begun and must be posted on our website by March 11th.

Steve informed the Board of the candidates that will be on the 2024 Primary Republican and Democratic Ballots.

Election Judge training dates are as follows:

- March 11th and 12th, Chief Judges Training at Garrett College, GIEC Building.
- March 13th and 14th, Machine Judges Training at Garrett College, GIEC Building.
- March 18th and 19th, Chief Judges Training at the CTTC Facility in Accident.
- March 20th and 21st, Machine Judges Training at the CTTC Facility in Accident.

OLD BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS AND CORRESPONDENCE:

Steve distributed the Rules of Security and Confidentiality Agreement to the Board. A brief discussion was had before the Board signed the agreement.

ADJOURNMENT:

The next board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 2nd, at 4:00 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m. on a motion by Randy Glotfelty, seconded by Carla Tesar, and made unanimous by Connie Meyers.



Connie Meyers, Board President