



**Pulaski County Election Commission
Meeting Minutes
May 14, 2018
1:00 p.m.**

Members Present

Pat Hays
Leonard A. Boyle, Sr.
Jason R. Davis

Staff Present

Bryan Poe
Betty Green
Amanda Dickens
Pam Walker
Jodie Dildy
Shawn Camp

Visitors Present: Jason Kennedy, County Clerk's Office; Adam Fogleman, County Attorney

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m. by Chair Pat Hays. A quorum was determined.

Approval of Meeting Minutes

Commissioner Boyle moved to accept the minutes as written; seconded by Commissioner Davis. Motion passed by voice vote.

Business

Correction of iVotronic Ballot Error for May 22, 2018 Preferential Primary/Nonpartisan Election

A.C.A § 7-5-209 Ballots—Correction of errors states “Whenever it shall appear by affidavit that error or omission has occurred in the publication of the names of description of candidates nominated for office or in the preparation of ballots, the county board of election commissioners in a public meeting announce the error or omission and immediately correct the error or omission or show cause why the correction should not be done.”

An error was brought to the attention of Director Poe regarding the electronic ballot display of John Thurston, Commissioner of State Lands by Daniel Shults, attorney for the State Board of Election Commissioners. Upon further research it was determined there was an error also with State Supreme Court Justice Courtney Goodson. Steps were taken by staff members of Pulaski County Election Commission to correct the matter.

Director Poe contacted Linda Napper of the Courtney Goodson campaign to offer his apologies for the error and to assure them that steps were being taken to correct the errors. He also attempted to reach out to Mr. Thurston. Commissioner Davis was able to contact Mr. Thurston and let him know the plans to correct the error.

Director Poe offered his sincerest apology for the error and has implemented new procedures to make sure that this error will not happen again.

Other Business

Act 633-The Voter ID Law

Due to the temporary injunction regarding the Voter ID Law being rescinded, instructions were mailed to the Election Officials that underwent training during the time the injunction was in place.

Act 790 of 2017-Absentee Ballots

Act 790 of 2017 allows the canvassing of absentee ballots to begin one week prior to election day, so the absentee officials will be trained on May 15, 2018 and begin canvassing the absentee ballots immediately after training.

Schedule of Upcoming Meetings

May 22, 2018 at 9:00 p.m. for the certification of the unofficial election results for the Primary/Nonpartisan Election.

May 24, 2018 at 4:00 p.m. for the preliminary review of provisional ballots for the Primary/Nonpartisan Election.

June 1, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. for the certification of election results for the Primary/Nonpartisan Election.

Commissioner Davis moved for adjournment of the meeting; seconded by Commissioner Boyle. Motion passed by voice vote.

Meeting adjourned at 1:30 p.m.

