



**Pulaski County Election Commission
Meeting Minutes
October 6, 2016
5:00 p.m.**

Members Present

Leonard A. Boyle, Sr.
Pat Hays
Kevin Gorman

Staff Present

Bryan Poe
Shawn Camp
Tonya Washington

Visitors Present: Jason Kennedy, County Clerk's Office

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Pat Hays. A quorum was determined; all commissioners present; Chairman Hays present via Skype.

Approval of Meeting Minutes September 22, 2016

Commissioner Gorman moved to accept minutes with correction; seconded by Commissioner Boyle. Motion passed by voice vote.

Business

General Election, November 8, 2016

Appointment of Poll Workers consists of the following:

- 770 Election Day Workers
- 85 Early Voting Workers
- 55 Absentee Workers
- 15 Area Managers (Election Day)

Still needed:

- 10 Election Day Workers
- 5 Absentee Workers

Commissioner Boyle and Commissioner Gorman stated that they will be of assistance in helping to recruit workers in areas where needed.

Mr. Poe noted that additional poll workers have been placed at heavily populated locations to help with working the poll books where necessary and to allow for workers to be relocated at other sites in the event of no-show situations.

Commissioner Boyle moved to certify appointment of poll workers. It was seconded by Commissioner Gorman. Motion passed by voice vote.

Logic & Accuracy (L&A) Testing Certification

Mr. Poe stated that he contacted the parties regarding the testing period. There were no attendees during this time.

Testing began on September 25, 2016 and lasted about 3 ½ days. There were 10-11 M100 heads that malfunctioned. Those devices were replaced with heads from spare machines and testing was successfully completed. A technician from ES&S will be on site to repair those vices that were affected during the testing period. All of the iVOs are allocated for the General Election except one. Mr. Poe will be contacting the secretary of state's office to borrow a few devices to use for remaining training sessions.

Public testing was held on October 1, 2016 at St. Theresa's Catholic Church on Baseline Road in Little Rock. The event was attended by about 12 individuals. The testing was held in conjunction with a festival for the southwest Little Rock community. Most of the events were held outside while the public testing was held inside. Information about the testing directions to attend were not adequately made available from organizers of the event, hence the poor attendance.

Poll Worker Training

- October 8, 2016 - Equipment Clerks
- October 11, 12 & 13, 2016 - Assistant Chief Judges/New Chief Judges
- October 15, 2016, Equipment Clerk, Chief Judges, Ballot/Voter ID Clerks
- October 18, 19, 2016 - Early Voting Workers
- October 29, 2016 - Absentee Workers, Area Managers
- November 5, 2016 - Last Chance Training

Mr. Poe stated that 2900 absentee ballots have been sent out to voters from the County Clerk's office as of today.

Mr. Poe noted that a voter called to express concern of not being able to read the ballot issues due to small font size. In order to assist the voters who call in with this concern, a copy of the ballot issues being posted at polling locations on Election day will be to voters as needed.

Commissioner Gorman asked what will be the procedures for the usage of phones at polling locations during the election. Mr. Poe stated that phone signs will continue to be posted. However, the officials will be allowed to give leniency of phone usage at the polls as long as voters do not disrupt the voting process.

Mr. Poe made note of the Casino and Tort Reform issues on the ballot. These two issues are currently before the Supreme Court and are subject to be removed from the ballot. In the event this occurs, votes will not be counted and will not appear on any of the results reports.

Jason Kennedy, County Clerk's office, stated that the voter registration deadline has been extended by the secretary of state's office due to the Columbus Day federal holiday which is October 10, 2016. The official deadline for mail in applications is now October 11, 2016.

Commissioner Boyle noted that a meeting will be scheduled in the future to be attended by division heads of the state disability office to address how to begin and recruit persons with disabilities to serve as poll workers.

The meeting on Election Day, November 8, 2016 is scheduled for 6:30 p.m.

Meeting adjourned.