

VOTE CUYAHOGA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

**Board Meeting
9/11/2023**

Attending:

Henry F Curtis, IV, Chairman
Inajo Davis Chappell, Board Member
Lisa M. Stickan, Board Member
Terence M. McCafferty
Anthony Perlatti, Director/via teleconference
Tony Kaloger, Deputy Director

Mary Bejjani, Clerk to the Board
Skip White, Clerk to the Board

The Cuyahoga County Board of Elections Meeting began at 9:30 a.m. Hereinafter referred to as the CCBOE/Board.

Chairman Curtis noted that all Board Members were in attendance.

Agenda Item 1: Acknowledgment of Secretary of State Directives: Directive 2023-16: Election Security; Directive 2023-17: Ballots, Voting Schedule, and Deadlines for November 7, 2023 General Election

Board Member Davis Chappell asked if the CCBOE was getting the assistance needed to implement Directive 2023-16: Election Security and to receive the 2023 Help America Vote Act "HAVA" dollars. Deputy Director Kaloger stated that there is \$10,000 available per County for implementation. There were items in which the CCBOE will reach out to the Secretary of State's office for additional clarification or resources. Board Member Davis Chappell asked in reference to Directive 2023-17 if information was being disseminated about the new deadlines resulting from the Columbus and Veterans Day Holidays? Director Kaloger stated yes. The deadline information will be sent to stakeholders and posted on the CCBOE website.

Chairman Curtis moved to acknowledge Secretary of State Directives: Directive 2023-16: Election Security; Directive 2023-17: Ballots, Voting Schedule, and Deadlines for November 7, 2023 General Election. Board Member Davis Chappell seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Agenda Item 2: Acknowledgment of the Post-Election Audit Summary for the August 8, 2023, Special Election

Brian Cleary, Ballot Department Manager, presented information regarding the Post-Election Audit Summary for the August 8, 2023, Special Election, as set forth in the board materials.

Narrative that is underlined in the CCBOE minutes relates to a motion that was acted on by the Board.

Chairman Curtis moved to acknowledge the Post-Election Audit Summary for the August 8, 2023, Special Election. Board Member Davis Chappell seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Agenda Item 3: Acknowledgment of resignation from, and appointment to elected office

Chairman Curtis moved to acknowledge the resignation from, and appointment to elected office, as set forth in the board materials. Board Member Davis Chappell seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Agenda Item 4: Acknowledgment of candidate withdrawals from the November 7, 2023, General Election

Chairman Curtis moved to acknowledge the candidate withdrawals from the November 7, 2023, General Election, as set forth in the board materials. Board Member Davis Chappell seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Agenda Item 5: Certification of nonpartisan candidates and write-in candidates for the November 7, 2023, General Election

Chairman Curtis moved to acknowledge the certification of nonpartisan candidates and write-in candidates for the November 7, 2023, General Election, as set forth in the board materials. Board Member Davis Chappell seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Agenda Item 6: Certification of remaining issues for the November 7, 2023, General Election

Chairman Curtis moved to acknowledge the certification of remaining issues for the November 7, 2023, General Election, as set forth in the board materials. Board Member Davis Chappell seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Agenda Item 7: Approval of the personnel agenda

Chairman Curtis moved to approve the personnel agenda, as set forth in the board materials. Board Member Davis Chappell seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Deputy Director Kaloger stated the September 12, 2023, Primary Election Day is tomorrow, and preparations are on schedule. There are two municipalities where elections are taking place for council members in Garfield Heights at the Garfield Heights High School and Maple Heights at the Wylie Athletic Center. The CCBOE has processed 128 Vote-by-Mail ballots of the 204 VBM ballots requested. There were 17 Early-In-Person voters for the Election. The Election Support Department will deliver the equipment to the voting locations on September 11, 2023, and there will be no Monday night organizational meeting. The voting locations will be staffed with CCBOE Elections Officials and Trainers. On Election Night, the flash drives will come back with the voting equipment. Chairman Curtis asked if there were any new implementations learned from the August Election. Deputy Director Kaloger said the CCBOE is working with Clear Ballot. There were some issues with the jamming of printer paper, which may be related to how the door was closed and the loosening of the printer paper. The sample size of the Elections is too small to have measurable results. The CCBOE is meeting with Clear Ballot to determine their conclusions. Board Member Davis Chappell asked the CCBOE to track the Voter ID piece to ensure nobody is adversely affected and to see the numbers in

terms of any impacts from the change in identification law and the cure period.

Deputy Director Kaloger stated the CCBOE is preparing for the November 7, 2023 General Election. The Ballot Department did import the ballot information and will start proofing the ballot over the weekend, and UOCAVA opens on September 22, 2023.

Board Member Davis Chappell said that with regard to the SOS Security Directive, there are several deadlines coming up in September and October to comply. She asked if the CCBOE would be hitting all of the deadlines. Deputy Director Kaloger stated the CCBOE has been meeting with multiple departments, mainly the Information Systems Department, and the CCBOE is preparing to meet the deadlines.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment

EXECUTIVE SESSION

There was no executive session

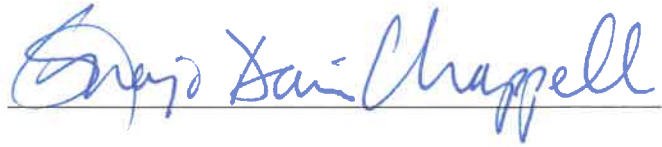
Chairman Curtis moved to recess the meeting at 9:40 a.m. Board Member Davis Chappell seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Certification: I have reviewed the above minutes and certify that they are an accurate summary of the actions taken by the Cuyahoga County Board of Elections at its meeting held on September 11, 2023.

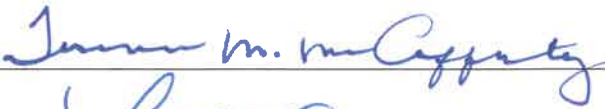
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