

SHELBY COUNTY ELECTION COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
APRIL 16, 2019

APPROVED

Regular Meeting of the Shelby County Election Commission was held on April 16, 2019, at 4:00 pm at the Election Operations Center, 980 Nixon Drive.

THE ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER: Commissioner Stamson **Time:** 4:02 pm

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Commissioner Price, Commissioner Taylor, Commissioner Smith and Commissioner Tate

OGANIZATION OF COMMISSION

ELECT CHAIRMAN

MOTION STATED: Commissioner Taylor made motion to nominate Steve Stamson as chairman

SECONDED BY Commissioner Price

OUTCOME OF MOTION: Passed unanimously

ELECT SECRETARY

MOTION STATED: Commissioner Smith made motion to nominate Anthony Tate as secretary

SECONDED BY Commissioner Taylor

OUTCOME OF MOTION: Passed unanimously

Chairman Stamson presided and called the regular meeting to order at 4:05 pm

APPROVAL OF MARCH 19, 2019 MINUTES

MOTION STATED: Commissioner Taylor made motion to approve March 19, 2019 minutes as presented

SECONDED BY Commissioner Tate

OUTCOME OF MOTION: Passed unanimously

VR APPLICATION APPEAL

MOTION STATED: Commissioner Taylor made motion to approve the recommend approval list and deny the recommend denial list as presented.

SECONDED BY Commissioner Price

APPROVED: Passed unanimously

ATTORNEY'S REPORT:

Given by Attorney Varela

- **Lowry vs. SCEC**
Motion to dismiss hearing is scheduled for May 9, 2019.
- **Shelby Advocates for Valid Elections(S.A.V.E.) vs. Tre Hargett and SCEC**
Hearing was held last week to address the plaintiff's motion filed. Plaintiff filed a second amendment complaint. Court denied our motion to dismiss. We are expecting the plaintiff to file another second amendment complaint. The State will review, and we will join with the State in filing a motion once a decision is made.
- **John Barzizza vs. SCEC**
An order was entered, allowing the plaintiffs to review the absentee and provisional ballots. We are in the process of viewing the documents.
- **M. Latroy Alexandria-Williams vs. SCEC**
Second lawsuit: Motion to dismiss was filed. TN Democratic Party have not set the motion hearing date as of yet.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT (SEE ATTACHMENT):

Given by Linda Phillips.

The following items were discussed:

- High School registration drive update

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- Online application for March
- Prep hours for Barzizza ballot review
- The City of Memphis Police Association petitions update
- March 12th Special Election cleanup completion
- Polling locations that are not available for October Memphis Municipal Election
- Polling location confirmation letters mail in prep for 2020 elections
- Processed poll worker applications
- Logged and disposed election related documents
- Private elections
- HB 965 / SB 1093
- HB 1079 / SB 971
- HB 28 / SB 71
- SB 1355 / HB 185
- HB 312 / SB 240
- HB 554 / SB 825
- HB 1432 / SB 1012
- HB 467 / SB 761
- HB 547 / SB 589
- SB 770 / HB 888
- HB 768 / SB 503
- VR system purchase update
- New Building Sign
- Pink Palace Memphis History Lecture by Jimmy Ogle
- Voter registration drive at Southern Women's Show
- Social media update
- Deputy registrar class
- "How to Run for Office" class
- Cellular tablet purchase
- List maintenance project (NCOA)
- Spring newsletter
- Office closed for Holiday
- Website update
- Upcoming Events

ACTION ITEM:

Chairman inquired about "All Detail Report". AOE Linda Phillips informed the Chairman that a meeting is scheduled for next week and a representative will be on site to address issues. Discussion followed.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

None

OLD / NEW BUSINESS:

Old: Commissioner Smith:

- Inquired clarity about new VR system issues.
- Requested more clarification about the reason the new VR system is unable to produce the "All Detail Report".
- Requested clarity on "List Maintenance Project (NOCA)".
- Requested to be involved with resolving the report issues with the new VR system.

New: None

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ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Regular Commission Meeting scheduled for May 21, 2019 at 4:00 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Commission recessed the public meeting for an Executive Session to meet with legal counsel concerning the pending litigation. Chairman Stamson, Commissioner Smith, Commissioner Tate, Commissioner Price, Commissioner Taylor, AOE Linda Phillips, Chief Deputy AOE Joe Young, Attorney Varela, and Attorney Hagler went into a private executive session. The public meeting resumed afterwards.

ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting was adjourned.

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Linda Phillips, AOE	Rose Ann Bradley
Joe Young, Chief Deputy AOE	Barbara Williams
Genine Taylor, VCS Manager	Peggy Watkins
Carla Lytle, Operations Manager	Suzanne Thompson- Cozza
Deborah Upchurch, Staff	Chris Tutor
Carol Collinsworth, Staff	Janice Banks
Leonard Hopkins, ITS	Earle Fisher
Attorney Ryder	Y. Nird.
Attorney Varela	
Attorney Bibbs	
Attorney Hagler	

Steve Stamson, Chairman

Date

Anthony Tate, Secretary

Date