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MINUTES

May 8, 2007

Charles Bostic
Vice Chairperson

Call to Order

Chairperson Betty Seidel called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m., Tuesday, May 8, 2007 in the office of the Danville Election Commission. Those in attendance were Commissioners Betty Seidel, Barbara Bailey, Charles Bostic and Executive Director Barbara Dreher.

Barbara Bailey
Secretary

Approval of Agenda

Barbara Bailey moved to accept the agenda as presented. Charles Bostic seconded the motion. Betty Seidel concurred.

Barbara Dreher
Executive Director

Approval of the Minutes of March & April Board Meetings

Charles Bostic moved to accept the minutes of the March 12, 2007 meeting. Betty Seidel seconded the motion. Barbara Bailey concurred. Charles Bostic made the motion to accept the minutes of the April 10, 2007 meeting. Betty Seidel seconded the motion. Barbara Bailey concurred.

Accounts Payable – purchase orders

Commissioners reviewed the purchase orders and Barbara Bailey made the motion to approve for payment invoices in the amount of \$18,123.56. Charles Bostic seconded the motion. Betty Seidel concurred.

Election Judge Search and Update

Barbara Dreher reported that she is preparing a letter to the two major party chairmen listing the election judges certified for 2005-2006 and new judges that were added for elections of 2006 and spring of 2007. The list will indicate those who have been replaced and give reason. It will also show precincts where judges are needed. Betty Seidel suggested that the letter include the offer that a Commissioner would be available to attend a central committee meeting to talk to the precinct committeemen.

Discussion followed regarding possible methods to encourage City registered voters to become election judges. Barbara Dreher stated that she plans public service announcements on the radio and television media. It was suggested that a military service veteran be used as spokesman to tell the importance of helping to “do your part for your community and country”. Motion was made by Barbara Bailey to allow \$3,000.00 for news media announcements. Charles Bostic seconded the motion. Betty Seidel concurred.

It was also suggested that a “get out the vote” poster drive be promoted in elementary school district class or classes in the fall of 2007. Charles Bostic made a motion to give prizes to poster winners in the amount of one \$100.00 bond, one \$50.00 bond and one \$25.00 bond. Barbara Bailey seconded the motion. Betty Seidel concurred. Barbara Dreher is to contact Nanette Mellen prior to the fall school session to request this promotion and finalize details.

Polling Place – search for replacement

Barbara Dreher is in search of new polling place locations for precincts 8 and 9 from present location at the Salvation Army and precinct 13 from Danville Area Community College. Discussion followed with possibilities suggested. Barbara Dreher will pursue to find new locations. Precinct 30 was also noted as change from Southview Junior High. Barbara Bailey offered to make a phone call to inquire about the use of South Side Church of Christ.

Election Analysis

The cost analysis report of the April 17, 2007 election indicated a cost of \$45,298.99 with 4,301 ballots cast from a total of 18,152 registered voters in the City. This reflects \$10.53 per vote and \$1,332.32 per precinct. Some invoices have not been received to date so these totals will have minor changes.

Problems were few but Barbara Dreher will include some of these issues at the next election judges' training school. Discussion on various Election Day issues was held. Barbara Bailey made the motion to have Barbara Dreher place an order for plastic security sleeves allowing each precinct to have six sleeves and one display holder. Charles Bostic seconded the motion. Betty Seidel concurred.

There were three provisional ballots cast. Two were rejected and one was counted.

Charles Bostic suggested that a letter be prepared for Election Systems & Software complimenting Dennis Rzepka for the excellent support given on Election Day and request that he continue to be our tabulation director for future elections.

AECOI Conference – May 9, 10 and 11

Barbara Dreher reported that preparations for the AECOI conference meetings in Danville were completed and presented the schedule of events to the Commissioners.

Budget Preparations update

Budget preparations for the 2007-2008 year were discussed. Barbara Dreher stated that she was in the process of preparing the new budget and gave each Commissioner a copy of the new resolution to be approved by the County Board on May 8, 2007 regarding the "Department Head Salary Adjustments". This issue was discussed and it was agreed that County Board Chairman James McMahan and Danville Election Commission attorney Dave Ryan be invited to attend the June Election Commission meeting. The budget will be reviewed at that time.

Commissioners Comments

No additional comments were offered.

Being no further business meeting adjourned to June 12, 2007, 9:00 a.m. in the office of the Danville Election Commission.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Bailey, Secretary
Danville Board of Election Commission