

MINUTES OF THE DANVILLE ELECTION COMMISSION
DECEMBER 14, 2010

On December 14, 2010 at 9:00 a.m. Chairperson Barbara Bailey called to order a regular meeting of the Danville Election Commission. Present were Commissioners Charles Bostic, David Ryan and Executive Director Barbara Dreher.

REORGANIZATION OF THE BOARD. Chairperson Barbara Bailey welcomed David Ryan to the Board as did Charles Bostic. On motion of Charles Bostic, seconded by David Ryan, Barbara Bailey was elected chairperson; on motion of Charles Bostic, seconded by Barbara Bailey, David Ryan was elected secretary. On motion of Barbara Bailey, seconded by David Ryan, Charles Bostic was elected vice-chairperson.

AGENDA AND MINUTES. The proposed amended agenda of the meeting and the minutes of the November 16, 2010 meeting were unanimously approved.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE. The payables for support for the time period from November 10, 2010 through December 10, 2010 showing total expenses of \$22,492.00, \$17,925.81 of which constituted expenditures relating to the general election, was unanimously approved.

1. VOTER REGISTRATION

A total of 353 voter registrations were received for November 2010 including 94 motor vehicle registrations and 188 Public Aid registrations.

2. NOVEMBER ELECTION RECAP

Barbara Bailey expressed her appreciation for the fine job done by the Election Judges and by Executive Director Barb Dreher in the November election, which fine job was evidenced during the partial canvas completed December 9th. Barb Dreher reported that the cost of the election per vote was slightly in excess of \$9.00, which Barbara Bailey noted was very reasonable.

3. FINALIZATION OF HEARING FINDINGS & "PRIMARY" BALLOT ROSTER

Written findings were entered as to each objection filed. Chairperson Barbara Bailey remarked that William Donahue's research to prepare the members of the Commission was well done and was much appreciated. State's Attorney's Randy Brinegar's presence at the hearing on December 13th was appreciated as well.

4. COMMISSION ATTORNEY

On motion of Charles Bostic, seconded by Barbara Bailey, the resignation of David Ryan as attorney for the Commission was accepted. Two names were suggested as possible replacement attorneys; David J. Ryan was directed to contact those attorneys to determine whether they had an interest in the position; the attorneys were Charles Devens and Michael O'Brien.

5. REAPPORTIONMENT DISCUSSION

Barbara Dreher asked for assistance in determining what information she needed to start gathering for the upcoming reapportionment. Barbara Bailey volunteered to gather her thoughts and share her knowledge since Ms. Bailey worked in the office during several reapportionments.

6. DIRECTOR'S ITEMS/COMMENTS

a. Time away from office. Director Barb Dreher asked for time away from the office January 10th and 11th so she could attend the Governor's Ball and March 26, 2011 so that she could attend a friend's wedding. Said request was approved unanimously.

b. Unused vacation from 2010. Director Dreher asked that she be permitted to roll over her unused vacation hours from 2010 to 2011 since she had been unable to use them; that request was unanimously granted.

c. Commission Christmas Luncheon. It was unanimously agreed that a Christmas luncheon be held and that former Commissioner Everett Laury be invited to attend.

d. United Way donations. Executive Director Barb Dreher related that the Danville Election Commission office had 83% of its employees contributing to United Way; she indicated this was the best record of any county office.

e. Crosspoint presentation and registration. Ms. Dreher indicated she would soon be making a presentation at Crosspoint regarding registration and voting.

f. Choice for Write-in completion. Ms. Dreher indicated that two statutes in the Election Code (Sections 5/7-59 and 5/3.1-25-40) appeared to be in conflict as to the number of votes necessary for a write-in candidate in a primary to make it onto the ballot in the primary election. After a review of the statutes, it appeared that the statute which governs was 5/7-59(c)(1). Ms. Dreher was directed to contact the State Board of Elections for advice.

7. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Chairperson Barbara Bailey related that she and Barbara Dreher had attended AECOI state meeting where Ms. Bailey was elected again to her position as vice-president. Ms. Bailey indicated that she and Ms. Dreher were able to attend several informative lectures and presentations by vendors. David Ryan echoed the compliments paid by Barbara Bailey to Barb Dreher and her Election Judges for the excellent work during the November election, which was evidenced by the results of the canvas. David Ryan also complimented Barb Bailey for her demeanor, patience, and professionalism in conducting the hearing on the objections on December 13th.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:10 a.m. with the next regular meeting scheduled for January 11, 2011 at 9:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



David J. Ryan
Secretary/Danville Election Commission