
**Alexandria Electoral Board
Minutes for September 6, 2018 Meeting**

Chairman Brown called the meeting to order at 9:36 a.m. Present were the three members of the Alexandria Electoral Board (Susan B. Kellom, Bruce A. Brown and Jack Powers), Anna Leider, General Registrar and Angie Maniglia Turner, Elections Manager.

Ms. Leider presented the Board with the minutes from the July and August meetings. Mr. Powers moved to approve the minutes, Ms. Kellom seconded, and it passed unanimously.

Electoral Board Reports

Ms. Kellom reported that At Home in Alexandria (AHA) has been doing outreach about voter registration and absentee voting. Discussion ensued regarding companies that offer free or reduced cost rides to the polls.

Mr. Brown reported on the Washington Post article in which the Secretary of Homeland Security spoke about the need to have a paper backup for electronic voting machines.

Election Officer Additions and Deletions

Ms. Leider provided the Board with a list of additions and deletions to the list of appointed election officers. The Board reviewed the list. Mr. Powers moved to approve the election officer additions and deletions and Ms. Kellom seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Election Office Report

Ms. Leider updated the Electoral Board on current voter registration statistics, the National Change of Address mailing, Geocoding the voter registration list, the department's budget and campaign finance reports.

Ms. Leider presented the Board with the Virginia Department of Elections' (ELECT) draft policy for Electronic Participation in Meetings. Ms. Leider recommended adopting ELECT's policy. After a discussion on emergency situations, Ms. Kellom moved to adopt the policy, Mr. Powers seconded, and it passed unanimously.

Ms. Leider updated the Board on risk limiting audits. After discussion, the board indicated that they are not opposed to volunteering to be a pilot jurisdiction for a risk limiting audit.

Ms. Leider informed the Board that the City is moving from their current "Call, Click, Connect" resident interface to a "Alex311" system. The board supports the General Registrar's decision not to have Alex311 answer voter registration and election-related questions. Alex311 will have the Voter Registration Office's phone number and website information so they can direct callers with voter registration or elections related questions to the Voter Registration office.

Polling places and Precinct Boundaries

After discussion on potential polling places and precinct boundaries, Mr. Brown moved to instruct staff to look at the feasibility of polling places at Brandywine Senior Living, Olympus Condominium, Ferdinand T. Day School and Graham Building at Southern Towers. Ms. Kellom

seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Upon discussion, Mr. Brown moved to amend his previous motion to include AlexRenew, Mr. Powers seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. The board discussed the possibility of adding up to four new precincts for the June 2019 primary election.

November Election

Ms. Leider raised for discussion the possibility of a high school student page program. Upon discussion, Ms. Kellom moved to instruct the General Registrar to create a high school page program according to Virginia Code and her discretion. Mr. Powers seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Upon discussion of the “I Voted” sticker contest, Ms. Kellom requested to see the plan for the voting process.

Future Board Meetings

The Board agreed to schedule the following Board Meetings:

Thursday, October 11 – 9:30am	Board Meeting
Monday, November 5 – 9:30am	Brief Pre-Election Meeting
Wednesday, November 7 – 9:30am	Canvass
Wednesday, November 7 – 10am	Provisional Ballot Hearing
Saturday, November 10 – Noon	Canvass and Provisional Ballots (Continued)
Tuesday, November 13 – 5:30pm	Board Meeting
Tuesday, November 13 – 6:30pm	Chief wrap up meeting
Thursday, December 13- 9:30am	Board Meeting

Mr. Powers moved to adjourn the meeting at 2:21pm, Ms. Kellom seconded it and the motion passed unanimously.

 _____ Susan B. Kellom Secretary	 _____ Bruce A. Brown Chairman	 _____ Jack Powers Vice Chair
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