

# **Marion County Board of Elections**

## **Regular Board Meeting Minutes**

February 21, 2024

### **I. Call to Order**

Chair Lynn Zucker called to order the regular meeting of the Board of Elections at 5:35 PM on February 21, 2024 the meeting was held in the Prospect Room of the Marion County Building.

### **II. Attendance**

The following board members were present: Chair Lynn Zucker, Robb Koons, Brandi Downs, and Jennifer Croskey. The Director and Deputy Director were also present.

### **III. Approval of Meeting Minutes**

#### **January 17, 2024 – Regular Meeting**

Mr. Koons made a motion to approve meeting minutes for January 17, 2024 Regular Board Meeting. Mrs. Croskey seconded the motion. The board voted unanimously to accept the motion.

### **IV. Finance Report**

#### **Monthly budgetary report for January**

The Deputy Director provided the financial report to the board. Mrs. Croskey made a motion to approve the financial report for January. Mrs. Downs seconded the motion. The board voted unanimously to accept the motion.

### **V. Payroll Report**

The Director reviewed the payroll worksheet reports from the auditor's system (2/2/2024 & 2/16/2024). Also, February Board Pay. The Director mentioned that Diane Evans will no longer be working in our office. Mrs. Croskey moved to approve the payroll reports. Mrs. Downs seconded the motion. The board voted unanimously to accept the motion.

### **VI. Old Business**

#### **Campaign Finance Update**

The Deputy Director stated he and The Director have been working on Campaign Finance Reports today. There are a few late campaign finance reports: Committee for Marion Parks, Friends of Billy Mayberry, and Friends of Jennifer Croskey. There are a few committees that have not filed: Elect Mark Davis County Commissioner, MPGA Carroll Smith, and Pleasant Local Schools Levy Committee.

#### **Update on resignation letters from elected officials**

The board decided to leave process the way it is.

#### **March Township Association Meeting**

The Director explained if anyone would like to go please refer to paper in your folder. Ray Grogan's office is going.

## **Securing Equipment**

The Director stated we had no place to store the EVC equipment. The only option we had is to go in and out of the storage room. The commissioners refused to give us a room to store our EVC equipment in. Chair Zucker made a statement she is highly disappointed that our commissioners could not see fit to supply our requests of a 1000ish camera so that we can ensure secure elections and also optically secure elections. Because that does matter in this day and age. And if there would be situation where I think short sided and if we would have any kind of an issue and have any kind of a lawsuit it will cost the county much more than the 1000.00 for the camera. And the county would be included on this because they would be negligent in this with not helping securing the election.

## **VII. New Business**

### **Select Board Chair**

Mrs. Downs moved to elect Lynn Zucker as the chair person at the Board of Elections for Marion County. Mr. Koons seconded the motion. The board voted unanimously to accept the motion.

### **March Presidential Primary Election**

- **Machine Allocation Second Vote**

Mrs. Downs made a motion to approve the 2<sup>nd</sup> vote on the machine allocation. Mr. Koons seconded the motion. The board voted unanimously to approve the motion.

- **Ballot Allocation Second Vote**

Mr. Koons made a motion to approve the 2<sup>nd</sup> vote on the ballot allocation. Mrs. Croskey seconded the motion. The board voted unanimously to approve the motion.

- **PEO List**

The Director went over the PEO List. There are 66 Republicans, 33 Democrats, and 25 Non-Partisans. The total PEOs are 124. The total needed is 136. Still in need of Poll workers. Mrs. Croskey made a motion to approve the PEO List. Mr. Koons seconded the motion. The board voted unanimously to accept the motion.

- **Election Availability**

The Director wanted to remind everyone of the dates they were available to help.

- **Set Meeting dates-Provisional-Certification-Audit**

The Director explained the board would need to set meeting times for Provisional meeting and Certification meeting. The board decided on March 28, 2024 at 7:00 AM for the Provisional Meeting and March 28, 2024 at 5:30 PM for the Certification and Regular Meeting. The audit will be on April 4, 2024 at 10:00 AM.

- **Background Check Policy**

The Deputy Director explained there is a BCI check that is done every 4 years. That coincides with the Presidential Election. Mr. Koons made a motion to waive Alison Diaz background check. She was just hired 6 months ago. Mrs. Croskey seconded the motion. The board voted unanimously to accept the motion.

- **Additional Business**

- Mr. Koons mentioned to go on Facebook like and share his posts.
- Mrs. Bicking mentioned that the Vote411.org is up and running.
- Mr. Blair mentioned have been looking at other county's web pages.

**Upcoming Dates**

- March 19<sup>th</sup> – Election Day!
- March 21<sup>st</sup> – 10:00 AM – Post Public Test
- Summer Conference-June 24-26?

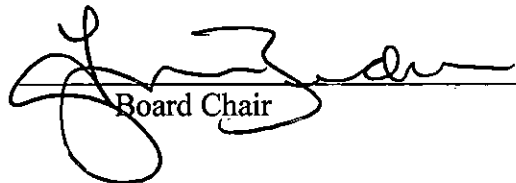
**VIII. Adjournment**


Mrs. Downs moved to adjourn. Mr. Koons second the motion. The board voted unanimously to adjourn at 6:25 PM on February 21, 2024.

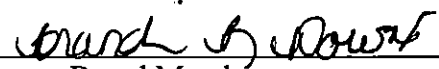
Minutes submitted by: Jackie Fields

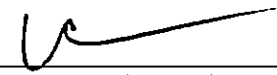
Minutes approved by:

  
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Director

  
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Board Chair

  
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Deputy Director

  
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# PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to the applicable law of the State of Ohio, the Marion County Board of Elections herein announces public notice of a Regular Board Meeting to be held on

**Wednesday, February 21st @ 5:30 PM**

In the Prospect Room located in the Marion County Building at 222 W. Center Street, Marion Ohio.

The public is invited to attend all meetings.

Signed this 26th day of January, 2024.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Cindy Price".

Cindy Price  
Director

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Brian Blair".

Brian Blair  
Deputy Director

**AGENDA**  
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**Call to Order**

**Roll Call**

**Minutes**

- January 17, 2024 Regular Meeting

**Finance Report**

- January Budget Report

**Payroll Report**

- Payroll / time off reports
  - 2/2/24 and 2/16/24 Office Pay
  - February Board Pay

**Old Business**

- Campaign Finance Update – Late Filings
- Update on resignation letters from elected officials
- March Township Association Meeting

**New Business**

- Select Board Chair
- March Presidential Primary Election
  - EVC Updates
    - Securing Equipment
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**Sign In Sheet**

Name – Please Print

Signature

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R.D. Bickling	Ruth Jane C Bickling