Harrisonburg City Electoral Board

Minutes

Monday – September 10, 2018

3:00 PM

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*Call to Order*

Meeting called to order by Chair, Price-Stroble at 3:00 PM

*In Attendance and Introduction of Guests*

Carah Ong Whaley, Associate Director for Civic Engagement: Electoral Board Members; Sandra Price- Stroble, Chair, William Ney, V. Chair and Jane Grant Burner, Secretary; Deborah Logan, Director of Elections.

Burner made a motion to approve the agenda and motion was seconded by Ney.

All board members voted in favor.

Ney made a motion to approve the minutes as amended from the August 27th meeting. Price-Stroble seconded the motion.

All board members voted in favor.

*Public Comment*

Whaley spoke with a JMU parent in reference to 3rd party registration group (Nex GEN) on campus pushing their student to register in Harrisonburg after already being registered at the home address of the student.

When students are registered on campus they should be reminded to keep their receipts on the bottom of the Voter Registration Applications.

A big thank you to Whaley for working with Duke Vote registrations and for setting up

 a presentation on voting procedures in the City of Harrisonburg at the JMU Civic Forum that was held September 6th. The Harrisonburg Electoral Board was in attendance at the JMU Civic Forum.

*Director of Elections Report*

- Registration drives have turned in 180 voter registrations thus far to include

 Dukes Votes and Nex Gen.

- The city public schools have still not returned any facility use permits to date for

 the November 6th Election .

- Voter applications continue to be reviewed by Ney.

- Absentee Voting starts September 21th.

- The last day to register to vote in the November Election is October 15th.

- The Registrar’s office will be open to absentee vote Monday –

 Friday from 8AM-5PM and 9AM-5PM on Saturday – October 27th and

 Saturday – November 3rd .

- The last day to request an absentee ballot will be October 30th by 5:00 PM.

- Two candidates (Sal T. Romero and Paloma Saucedo de la Pena) have signage in

 the City of Harrisonburg without disclaimers.

 This violation has been reported to Tammy Alexander at the Virginia Department

 of Elections by Deborah Logan, Director of Elections. There will be fines levied

 to the candidates for these violations.

- The day after the November election (Wednesday - November 7th), Provisional Votes

 will be reviewed starting at 1:00 PM.

- The JMU Voting Precinct will change location within the Convocation Center due

 to a basketball game taking place in the facility. Voters using the JMU Precinct will

 be sent a letter explaining the change of location.

- A training session by webinar concerning ‘Active Shooters’ will be viewed by the

 Electoral Board on Tuesday – September 25th. This is a precautionary measure

 recommended by the State of Virginia.

- Harrisonburg City will once again utilize pages from the Harrisonburg High

 School Government classes to assist at the polls on Election Day.

- Reminder to check access to restrooms at the schools on Election Day to assure

 that all restroom doors are unlocked for use on November 6th.

*Closed Session*

Price-Stroble moved and Ney seconded that the Electoral Board of the City of Harrisonburg go into closed session pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(1) of the Code of Virginia, as amended, to discuss personnel matters.

All board members voted in favor.

Ney moved to leave closed session and the motion was seconded by Price-Stroble.

Price-Stroble voted yes; Ney voted yes; Grant Burner voted yes.

A motion was made by Ney and seconded by Burner to reconvene in open session and certify that only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements and only such business matters as identified in the motion by which the closed meeting convened were heard, discussed or considered.

*Open Session*

Ney made a motion to accept personnel assignments for Officers of Elections for the November Election. The motion was seconded by Price- Stroble. A roll call vote was taken and accepted by Price-Stroble, Ney and Grant Burner.

There was discussion as to the number of Officers of Election needed for each city precinct for the November 2018 Election.

Training for the Officers of Election will take place on Tuesday-October 30th. The training session will take place in the Harrisonburg Council Chambers. New officers will meet at 6:00 PM, Precinct Chiefs and all other officers will meet at 7:00 PM.

Daytime training (make-up session) will take place on Wednesday-October 31st at 1:00 PM in Council Chambers.

The next meetings of the Electoral Board are scheduled for September 17th at

8:00 AM for L & A Testing in the basement of City Hall and September 24th

 at 10:00 AM for a regular business meeting.

*Adjournment*

The meeting was adjourned at 5:00 PM.

Respectively submitted,

Jane Grant Burner, Secretary