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February 23, 2009

**MEETING OF THE MONTGOMERY COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS  
751 Twinbrook Parkway, Rockville, Maryland**

**In Attendance:**

**Board Members:**

Jerrold Garson, President  
John Sullivan, Vice President  
Nancy Dacek, Secretary  
Nahid Khozeimeh  
Rosalyn Pelles  
Lucia Nazarian

**Staff:**

Margaret Jurgensen, Director  
Sara Harris, Deputy Election Director  
Leslie Hatch, Election Judge Coordinator  
Laletta Dorsey, Program Specialist  
Gilberto Zelaya, Outreach Coordinator  
Jerry Quarshie, Information Technology Technician  
Kevin Karpinski, Legal Counsel  
Marjorie Roher, Administrative Specialist  
Renee Adams, Election Aide

**Guests:**

Henry Hailstock, N.A.A.C.P  
Mary Kiraly  
Gerald Roper, Resident of District 4  
Barbara Sanders, Montgomery County League of Women Voters  
Henry Williams Sr., Rockville/Montgomery County MD Chapter

**Convene Meeting and Declare Quorum Present**

Mr. Garson called the meeting to order at 2:32 p.m. and declared a quorum present.

**Additions/Changes to the Agenda**

Ms. Jurgensen stated that she would like to move Special Elections Item B, Polling Places, before the Election Director Reports. She noted that Mr. Garson wishes to present a resolution. Ms. Jurgensen requested an Executive Session after Future Meetings.

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**Approval of January 26, 2009, Minutes**

Minutes from the January 26, 2009, meeting were distributed for review. A motion was made by Mrs. Dacek to approve the January 26, 2009, minutes as amended. The motion was seconded by Mr. Sullivan and carried unanimously.

**Special Council District 4 Election Polling Places**

Mr. Garson discussed his resolution with both Board and staff. Ms. Pelles made a motion to adopt the resolution to approve the 45 Precincts shown in Attachment A for the Special Council District 4 Elections scheduled by the Montgomery County Council to be held Tuesday, April 21, 2009, Tuesday, May 19, 2009, to fill the vacancy in Council District 4. Mrs. Khozeimeh seconded the motion. Ms. Jurgensen announced that a post card will be mailed to voters in the affected precincts on March 9, 2009.

**Public Comment**

Henry Hailstock, Gerald Roper, and Henry Williams addressed the Board in opposition to consolidating precincts for the upcoming Special Election for Council District 4.

Having no further discussion, the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion outlined in Attachment A. Ms. Pelles thanked the guests for expressing concerns about the precincts and encouraged them to attend future Board meetings.

\*\*\* Mr. Hailstock, Mr. Roper, and Mr. Williams Sr. left the meeting at 2:46 p.m.\*\*\*

**Election Director Status Reports**

**Budget**

- Ms. Jurgensen reported that planned staff reductions of temporary employees ceased when the County Council determined the need for the Special Council District 4 Primary and General Elections. She noted that the estimated cost of conducting the Special Elections is \$1, 441,000 and outlined the types of expenses that would be incurred.

Ms. Roher reviewed the overtime report which was distributed in the packet as requested by Mrs. Dacek.

**Voter Registration**

Ms. Jurgensen discussed the confirmation mailing and set up for the High School Registration. She announced that high school student voter registration training will occur

April 2, 2009, and voter registration is offered in the schools from April 14<sup>th</sup> through April 29<sup>th</sup>. Ms. Jurgensen stated that all public schools participate and private schools wishing to participate are encouraged to do so. She reported that starting April 15<sup>th</sup> through April 21<sup>st</sup> from 9:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. there will be training for student poll workers related to the School Board Student member Election on April 29, 2009.

## **State Board of Elections**

Ms. Jurgensen reported that the last State Board meeting minutes posted are from October 2008. She announced that the new version of MDVoters was released last week. Ms. Jurgensen noted that this version addresses some of the thousand plus issues identified by the local Boards of Elections regarding software and user functionality issues. She stated that issues allegedly resolved are duplicate voter identified, included territories and countries in drop down, absentee, petitions, election judge modules correction etc. Ms. Jurgensen announced that staff is working through the new release and noted that the RFP for the new voting system is open until March 4, 2009.

Mr. Garson stated that he met with Linda Lamone and staff on Thursday regarding mail in special elections.

## **Facility Issues**

Ms. Roher stated that there was nothing new to report for the Twinbrook facility.. She reported on the Gaithersburg facility as follows:

- Build out bids were reviewed, Summit Construction selected, coming in approximately \$200,000 under estimate. A site visit is scheduled for tomorrow – most walls are framed. Wiring for IT will be done within the next four weeks and we are on track for building completion on May 15<sup>th</sup>.
- The elevator will be installed by June 15<sup>th</sup>.
- Interior build out issues have been resolved.
- In addition to the county movers, Metro Office Systems will need to move the large voter registration file cabinets. We met with them and received an estimate of \$15,000 for the move. We will work with the owner and attempt to relocate those files prior to the delivery of the rest of the furniture and staff.
- The landlord has indicated that lease payments will not begin until July freeing up \$375,000. OMB has agreed to allow the cost of the move and security system to be charged to the lease account as they were not included in the supplemental amount. Ms. Roher will



proceed with the supplemental request and hopes to have it completed by the end of the week or by March 10<sup>th</sup> at the latest.

- Visits to the new facility are now restricted due to liability risks.

## **Board Attorney Report**

Mr. Karpinski discussed the Special Council District 4 Elections timeline included in the packet and noted that the county motion summary judgment will be heard on May 8, 2009.

## **Old Business**

### **Appreciation Dinner for Samuel Statland**

Mrs. Dacek discussed the appreciation dinner for Mr. Statland.

## **New Business**

### **State Legislature**

Mrs. Harris briefed the Board on recent MAEO legislative meetings. She noted that MAEO has held three meetings to date. She discussed Bills mentioned in the MAEO meetings such as early voting and delaying the voting system change. Mr. Garson expressed concern for the early voting bill regarding the need for more flexibility for the local board.

## **Special Council District 4 Election Preparation**

### **Election Calendar**

Ms. Jurgensen reviewed dates in the calendar distributed in the Board folders.

Ms. Jurgensen stated that the state was notified that ballots will need to be ready for printing on March 10, 2009.

### **Election Judges**

An availability letter has been sent to election judges that worked in last year's Elections.

## Media

Ms. Roher stated that media releases have been drafted and are being translated into Spanish and are expected to be completed for publication by Friday.

## Absentee Ballot Application

Ms. Jurgensen reported that staff received the corrected absentee ballot application form from the State Board staff and noted that it is in the process of being formatted for our website today and will be posted in the next 24 hours. She announced that staff reported 410 overseas voters have requested absentee ballots for the Special Council District 4 Election. Ms. Jurgensen stated that these ballots will be mailed at least 40 days prior to the election.

\*\*\* Ms. Dorsey, Ms. Hatch, Ms. Kiraly, Mr. Quarshie, and Mr. Zelaya left the meeting at 4:09 p.m.\*\*\*

## Report on the Executive Session

At 4:10 p.m. the Board met in Executive Session pursuant to State Government Article, Sections 10-508(a)(13) and 10-508(a) to discuss minutes from a previous Executive Session.

The Montgomery County Board of Elections met in closed session on this date. The following members of the Board and staff were in attendance: Jerrold Garson, John Sullivan, Nancy Dacek, Nahid Khozeimeh, Lucia Nazarian, Rosalyn Pelles, Margaret A. Jurgensen, Sara Harris, Kevin Karpinski, Marjorie Roher, and Renee Adams.

## Executive Session Minutes

Ms. Roher distributed minutes from the January 26, 2009, Executive Session for review.

There were no other items discussed in the Executive Session.

A motion was made by Ms. Dacek to adjourn the Executive Session and reconvene in regular session. The motion was seconded by Mr. Sullivan and carried unanimously, with the Board reconvening in regular session at 4:13 p.m.

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**Executive Session Minutes**

A motion was made by Ms. Dacek to approve the Executive Minutes from the January 26, 2009, meeting as submitted. The motion was seconded by Mr. Sullivan and carried unanimously.

**Future Meetings**

- A. March 16, 2009
- B. April 10, 2009 - 4:00 p.m.- In House Testing
- C. April 13, 2009 - 10:00 a.m.- Public Testing
- D. April 16, 2009 - 5:00 p.m.- Bag Check
- E. April 20, 2009 - 6:00 p.m.- Precinct Check
- F. April 21, 2009 - 10 a.m.- Swearing In –ELECTION DAY
- G. April 23, 2009 - 10 a.m. - Absentee I Canvass
- H. April 23, 2009 - 11:00 a.m. – Board Meeting
- I. April 27, 2009 - 10:00 a.m.- Provisional Canvass
- J. May 1, 2009 - 10:00 a.m.- Absentee II Canvass
- K. May 11, 2009 - 10:00 a.m.- Public Testing
- L. May 14, 2009 - 5:00 p.m.- Bag Check
- M. May 18, 2009 - 6:00 p.m. - Precinct Check
- N. May 19, 2009 - 10:00 a.m. - Swearing In – ELECTION DAY
- O. May 21, 2009 - 10:00 a.m.- Absentee I Canvass
- P. May 21, 2009 - 11:00 a.m. – Board Meeting
- Q. May 26, 2009 - 10:00 a.m.- Provisional Canvass
- R. May 29, 2009 - 10:00 a.m.- Absentee II Canvass
- S. June 15, 2009 - Tentative
- T. July 20, 2009
- U. September 21, 2009
- V. October 19, 2009
- W. November 16, 2009
- X. December 14, 2008

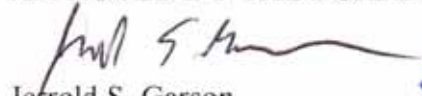
**Adjournment**

With no further business, a motion was made by Ms. Dacek to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Sullivan and carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 4:13 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Marjorie M. Roher*  
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Administrative Specialist

APPROVED BY THE BOARD:



Jerrold S. Garson  
Board President

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# Attachment 1

The Montgomery County Board of Elections approves the following locations for the 45 Precincts for the Special Primary scheduled by the Montgomery Council to be held Tuesday, April 21, 2009 and the Special General Election to be held Tuesday, May 19, 2009 to fill the vacancy in Council District 4.

Election Dist/Pct	Polling Place – April 19,2009 and May19, 2009	Type of Facility	Address	City
05-01	Good Hope Community Center	County	14715 Good Hope Road	Silver Spring
05-02	Greencastle ES	MCPS	13611 Robey Road	Silver Spring
05-04	Riderwood Village	Private	3120 Gracefield Road	Silver Spring
05-05	Springbrook HS	MCPS	201 Valley Brook Drive	Silver Spring
05-06	White Oak MS	MCPS	12201 New Hampshire Avenue	Silver Spring
05-08	William Tyler Page ES	MCPS	13400 Tamarack Road	Silver Spring
05-09	Westover ES	MCPS	401 Hawkesbury Lane	Silver Spring
05-11	Cannon Road ES	MCPS	901 Cannon Road	Silver Spring
05-12	Paint Branch HS	MCPS	14121 Old Columbia Pike	Burtonsville
05-15	Cloverly ES	MCPS	800 Briggs Chaney Road	Silver Spring
05-16	Stonegate ES	MCPS	14811 Notley Road	Silver Spring
05-17	Fairland School Center/Galway ES POC	MCPS	13313 Old Columbia Pike	Silver Spring
05-18	Burtonsville ES	MCPS	15516 Old Columbia Pike	Burtonsville
05-19	Benjamin Banneker MS	MCPS	14800 Perrywood Drive	Burtonsville
05-20	Marilyn J. Praisner Community Recreation Center	County	14906 Old Columbia Pike	Burtonsville
05-21	Eastern Montgomery Regional Services Center	County	3300 Briggs Chaney Road	Silver Spring
05-23	Marilyn J. Praisner Community Recreation Center	County	14906 Old Columbia Pike	Burtonsville
08-03	Flower Valley ES	MCPS	4615 Sunflower Drive	Rockville
08-04	Sequoyah ES	MCPS	17301 Bowie Mill Road	Derwood
08-06	Sherwood HS	MCPS	300 Olney-Sandy Spring Road	Sandy Spring
08-07	Sherwood ES	MCPS	1401 Olney-Sandy Spring Road	Sandy Spring
08-08	Colonel Zadok Magruder HS	MCPS	5939 Muncaster Mill Road	Rockville
08-12	Rosa Parks MS	MCPS	19200 Olney Mill Road	Olney
13-01	Georgian Forest ES	MCPS	3100 Regina Drive	Silver Spring
13-02	John F. Kennedy HS	MCPS	1901 Randolph Road	Silver Spring
13-11	Forest Knolls ES	MCPS	10830 Eastwood Avenue	Silver Spring
13-20	Colonel E. Brooke Lee MS	MCPS	11800 Monticello Avenue	Silver Spring
13-28	Wheaton HS	MCPS	12601 Dalewood Drive	Wheaton
13-33	Kemp Mill ES	MCPS	411 Sisson Street	Silver Spring
13-35	Weller Road ES	MCPS	3301 Weller Road	Silver Spring
13-36	Sargent Shriver ES	MCPS	12518 Greenly Drive	Silver Spring
13-37	Parkland MS	MCPS	4610 West Frankfort Drive	Rockville
13-43	Wheaton Woods ES	MCPS	4510 Faroe Place	Rockville
13-45	Parkland MS	MCPS	4610 West Frankfort Drive	Rockville
13-46	Children's Learning Center	County	4511 Bestor Drive	Rockville
13-48	Bel Pre ES	MCPS	13801 Rippling Brook Drive	Silver Spring
13-49	Argyle MS	MCPS	2400 Bel Pre Road	Silver Spring
13-51	Rock Creek Valley ES	MCPS	5121 Russett Road	Rockville
13-52	Earle B. Wood MS	MCPS	14615 Bauer Drive	Rockville
13-54	Leisure World Clubhouse I	Private	3700 Rossmoor Boulevard	Silver Spring
13-55	Strathmore ES	MCPS	3200 Beaverwood Lane	Silver Spring
13-56	Argyle MS	MCPS	2400 Bel Pre Road	Silver Spring
13-60	Precinct Not used			
13-61	James Hubert Blake HS	MCPS	300 Norwood Road	Silver Spring
13-64	Strathmore ES	MCPS	3200 Beaverwood Lane	Silver Spring
13-69	Leisure World Clubhouse II	Private	3300 Leisure World Blvd.	Silver Spring



There are four precincts that were used in the last General Election held on November 4, 2008, that will vote in the Special Primary Election on Tuesday, April 21, 2009 and in the Special General Election on Tuesday, May 19, 2009 at previously existing locations in other adjacent precincts due to the unavailability of the non-government owned locations:

Precinct 5-20 was located at the New Hope Korean Church. Voters in Precinct 5-20 will vote in these Special Elections at the Marilyn J. Praisner Community Recreation Center.

Precinct 13-37 was located at St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church. Voters in Precinct 13-37 will vote in these Special Elections at the Parkland Middle School.

Precinct 13-49 was located at Wheaton Moose Lodge. Voters in Precinct 13-49 will vote in these Special Elections at the Argyle Middle School.

Precinct 13-64 was located at St. Matthew Presbyterian Church. Voters in Precinct 13-64 will vote in these Special Elections at the Strathmore Elementary School.

Some of the rooms used as polling locations in the schools may change from November 4, 2008 due to the fact that the Public Schools will be in session on the dates of the Special Primary Election on Tuesday, April 21, 2009 and on the Special General Election Tuesday, May 19, 2009.

The voting machines at these locations will be set up to provide separate tabulation of votes by precinct.

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Other Information.