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Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, November 8, 2022

MONTGOMERY COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

Virtual Board Meeting via Zoom

In Attendance Virtually:

Board Members:

Nahid Khozeimeh, President (in person)

Diane Nash Dillon, Vice President

David A. Naimon, Secretary

Amoretta Hoerber

Elisse W. Barnes, Ph. D.

Alexander Vincent

Alan Banov

Board Attorney:

Kevin Karpinski

Staff:

Alysoun McLaughlin, Acting Director

Boris Brajkovic, Voter Services Manager

Christine Rzeszut, Operations Manager

Lisa Merino-Dean, Administrative Specialist

A video of the meeting may be found on YouTube at the link below:

<https://youtu.be/IgUJQOHuH5M>

Convene Board Meeting and Declare Quorum Present

Mrs. Khozeimeh convened the meeting at 11:05am.

Board members shared observations and experiences from their visits to polling locations this morning.

Issues raised included duplicate voter records, insufficient number of ballot marking devices and voters going to the wrong precinct, resulting in long lines at provisional tables.

Ms. Dillon recounted the problem of voters who had requested permanent mail-in ballots, but went to vote in person and therefore had to vote provisionally. Mrs. Khozeimeh noted that some voters went to Early Voting centers on Election Day without realizing that those places are not their Election Day polling places.

Ms. Dillon also explained that a voter at Silver Creek MS (precinct 13-03) was on the rolls twice because she had obtained an international driver's license and MVA registered her again. The Board discussed ways to resolve this problem in the future.

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Mr. Banov emphasized that we need more ballot marking devices (BMDs); they are very popular. He also mentioned some issues at individual precincts.

Mr. Vincent also reported lines for BMDs at polling places and said he observed a Georgia county which seemed to have BMDs either entirely or predominantly.

Mr. Naimon explained that there were very long lines at the Silver Spring Civic Building with voters who thought they could vote there, since they had previously voted there in Early Voting or in the 2020 election, but were not in their appropriate polling place. He was offering to help voters find their correct polling place on the State Board's website and invited other Board members to help him.

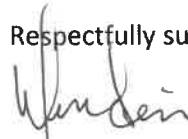
Mr. Banov asked how much a BMD costs. Ms. McLaughlin said she would have to research it.

Mr. Karpinski shared an update on access to the polling location at Fields Road Elementary School and the investigation of the accident where two pedestrians were hit by a car near the school.

Adjournment

Mr. Vincent moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Ms. Dillon and passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 11:37am.

Respectfully submitted,



Lisa Merino-Dean
Administrative Specialist II

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Nahid Khozeimeh,
Board President