

Warren County Board of Elections Meeting

March 8, 2012

4:30 PM

MINUTES

Chairman Robert Stead called the meeting to order at 4:30 PM. Board Secretary, Harry Brown, Commissioner Tony Wyhopen, Commissioner Gloria Decker and Bill Duffy, Administrator were in attendance.

Chairman Stead turned the meeting over to Bill Duffy in order to hold the reorganization of the Warren County Board of Elections. Mr. Duffy requested nominations for Chair. Harry Brown nominated Gloria Decker. Tony Wyhopen seconded the nomination. Harry Brown made a motion to close nominations which was seconded Mr. Wyhopen. By a voice vote nominations were closed. By a voice vote Gloria Decker was elected Chairperson. Mr. Duffy turned the meeting over to Chairperson Decker. Chairperson Decker requested nominations for Secretary. Mr. Stead nominated Tony Wyhopen. Mr. Brown seconded the nomination. Mr. Stead made a motion to close nominations which was seconded by Mr. Brown. By a voice vote nominations were closed. By a voice vote Tony Wyhopen was elected Secretary.

The Board reviewed the minutes of the February 16, 2012 meeting. Mr. Brown made a motion that the minutes be accepted. This motion was seconded by Mr. Wyhopen. The minutes were approved by voice vote.

The Board reviewed the proposed schedule for 2012. Mr. Brown made a motion that the schedule be accepted. This motion was seconded by Mr. Stead. The schedule was approved by voice vote.

Bill Duffy gave an update to the Board on how the Washington Township Fire District Election had gone. He reported that because there were no Mail-In ballots requested, he had placed himself on call for the election.

Mr. Duffy provided an update on the topic of bowing of the voting machines. Dave Alampi of Avante and Bill Rockafellow met and agreed to how the machines should be repaired. Avante will begin to gather the need materials and will schedule the work for this summer. Work on the new warehouse has begun and we are looking to move around the Primary Election.

Mr. Brown, Mr. Stead and Mr. Duffy gave an update on the redistricting project. All the towns are completed with the exception of Washington. Mr. Duffy will work on getting the updated maps together. The Board reviewed the expected changes.

Mr. Duffy asked the Board how Kid's Vote should be handled this year. Kid's Vote was normally part of Annual School Elections. Since none of the school districts that normally participate in the Kid's Vote are holding the School Election in April, does the Board want to hold them in November? Mr. Duffy reminded the Board that Kid's Vote was held in a different room of the polling place and with this year being a Presidential Election year and in many cases the ballot will be different there are concerns about holding the Kid's vote this year. Mr. Stead made a motion not to hold Kid's Vote this year and to revisit the topic in January 2013. Mr. Brown Seconded the motion. The Vote was 4 ayes – 0 nays.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:15 PM.