

A meeting of the Board of Election Commissioners of St. Louis County was held at its office located at 12 Sunnen Drive, Maplewood, Missouri, Tuesday, June 21, 2016.

Present at the meeting were:

Richard H. Kellett	Chairman
John Maupin	Secretary
John King	Commissioner (via telephone)
Trudi McCollum Foushee	Commissioner
Darold Crotzer	Attorney
Eric Fey	Director
Christian Tolbert	Interim Director
Julie Leicht	Deputy Director
Theresa Dintleman	Interim Deputy Director

Chairman Kellett called the meeting to order and a roll call was taken. A quorum was present.

Two individuals signed up to speak at the Public Forum. Chairman Kellett called upon Mr. Gregory Powers to speak. Mr. Powers, elected twice to the Parkway School Board, said he had spoken with Gary Fuhr and had sent a letter to John King. He said the school district met twice a month in the evening and had more detailed agendas. He said he wanted to see how the Board operates and how it can be improved.

Chairman Kellett then called upon Tom Sullivan to speak. Mr. Sullivan said he had been watching the news and had questions about the April election and it was hard to find the answers. He questioned the timeline for petitioning the court for extended voting hours. He said he asked for copies of emails and said no one had taken full responsibility. Secretary Maupin said the Board was not involved in the timeline and that the court clerk tells petitioners when there is an opening.

There being no one else who had signed up to speak, Chairman Kellett made a motion to close that segment of the meeting and Secretary Maupin seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the Public Forum was closed.

Chairman Kellett asked if everyone had read the minutes from the May 10th meeting. Chairman Kellett made a motion that the minutes be accepted and Secretary Maupin seconded. A vote was taken and the minutes were approved.

Chairman Kellett called for Interim Director Tolbert's report. Interim Director Tolbert said we currently have 668,789 active registered voters and 79,796 inactive for a total of 748,585. July 6 is the last day to register to vote in the August 2 election and the office is currently working on five statewide petitions. To complete this task people have been working 7:00 am to 6:30 pm weekdays and 8:00 am to 4:00 pm on weekends. He asked Interim Deputy Director Dintleman to update the Board on the petitions. Interim Deputy Director Dintleman said the five petitions consist of 45,000 pages of which about 50% is completed. There are five weeks left, leaving one week for proofing and submitting to the Secretary of State's Office. At the current level of 5,000 pages per week, overtime will not be mandatory.

Chairman Kellett asked about then called for Director Fey's report. Director Fey said we had only budgeted for four petitions and we have had to hire additional temporary staff. He updated the Board on Senate Bill 786, an omnibus election bill. Per the amended printing contract all overruns will be picked up. A new proofing procedure is in place for ballot orders, requiring the approval and signature of both directors. This has been done for the August election. As per the contract with Knowlnk, training has begun. The use of the poll books will increase efficiency and voter check-in. About 10% of locations, 50 polling places, will have the poll books for the August election. If all goes well they will be at all locations in the November election.

Chairman Kellett asked about the possible move of the Election Board office. We have been told of a press conference by County Administration this afternoon. It is expected that the legislation to approve the lease at the new location will be introduced at this evenings County Council meeting. Nothing has been approved.

Commissioner Foushee asked about the new proofing procedures and asked for the written procedures. Secretary Maupin asked about the petition process, in particular sampling. At this time the Secretary of State's Office chooses not to implement sampling.

Chairman Kellett made a motion to accept the Directors' reports, and Secretary Maupin seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the motion was approved.

There being nothing to discuss under Old Business, Chairman Kellett made a motion to close that portion of the meeting and Commissioner Foushee seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the motion was approved.

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For the Financial portion of the meeting, Director Fey said that we have a grant that covers 25% of temporary employee salaries and have secured additional funds from that grant. We should not have to seek additional funding.

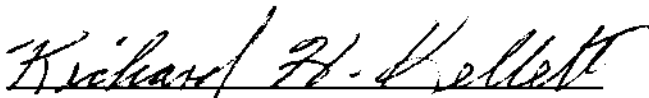
Chairman Kellett made a motion to accept the financial reports and Secretary Maupin seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the motion was approved.

For the Personnel portion of the meeting Director Fey asked for the Board's approval for straight-time overtime for exempt employees working on the petitions. Many of these employees have exceeded the amount of compensatory time that can be accumulated, and would require Board approval for overtime pay. Secretary Maupin made a motion to authorize overtime pay for exempt employees working on the petitions and Commissioner Foushee seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the motion was unanimously approved. Chairman Kellett moved to close the Personnel portion of the meeting and Commissioner Foushee seconded the motion. A vote was taken and that portion of the meeting was closed.

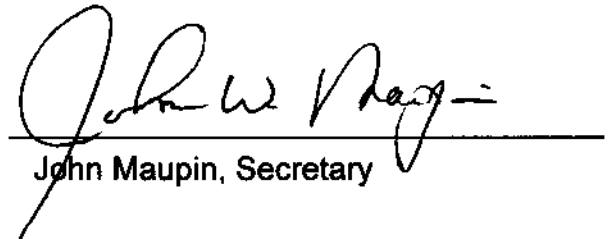
Under Legal, Attorney Crotzer informed the Board that today is the last day for ballot issues to be added to or removed from the August election. Proposition 1 for the City of Normandy has been removed from the ballot. The petitions for possible new elections in Berkeley and Sunset Hills are still pending. They had trouble serving some parties and they have been given 30 days to respond. Also, the current contract for legal services ends June 30.

Secretary Maupin moved that the meeting be closed pursuant to RSMo Section 610.021(1), (2), (3) to discuss legal actions, attorney/client privileged communications and personnel matters. A roll call vote was taken and the votes were as follows: Chairman Kellett, aye; Secretary Maupin, aye; Commissioner King, aye; and Commissioner Foushee, aye. The meeting was then closed.

Upon resumption of the open meeting, Secretary Maupin moved that the Board adjourn. Commissioner Foushee seconded the motion. A roll call was taken and the votes were as follows: Chairman Kellett, aye; Secretary Maupin, aye; Commissioner Foushee, aye; Commissioner King, aye. The meeting was then adjourned.



Richard H. Kellett, Chairman



John Maupin, Secretary