

A meeting of the Board of Election Commissioners of St. Louis County was held at its office located at 725 Northwest Plaza Drive, St. Ann, Missouri, Tuesday, April 17, 2018.

Present at the meeting were:

Sharon Buchanan-McClure	Chair
Trudi McCollum Foushee	Absent
Matthew Potter	Commissioner
Peggy Barnhart	Commissioner
Edward Sluys	Attorney's Office
Eric Fey	Director
Rick Stream	Director
Christian Tolbert	Deputy Director
Julie Leicht	Deputy Director


Chair Buchanan-McClure called the meeting to order and a roll call was taken. A quorum was present.


No one signed up to speak at the public forum. Commissioner Potter made a motion to accept the minutes from the February Board meeting and Commissioner Barnhart seconded. A roll call vote was taken and the votes were as follows: Chair Buchanan-McClure, aye; Commissioner Potter, aye; Commissioner Barnhart, aye. Commissioner Potter then made a motion to accept the minutes from the March Board meeting and Chair Buchanan-McClure seconded. A roll call was taken and the votes were as follows: Chair Buchanan-McClure, aye; Commissioner Potter, aye; Commissioner Barnhart, aye. Commissioner Potter moved that the meeting be closed pursuant to RSMo 610.021(1),(2) and (3) to discuss litigation, real estate, and personnel issues and Commissioner Barnhart seconded the motion. A roll call was taken and the votes were as follows: Chair Buchanan-McClure, aye; Commissioner Potter, aye; Commissioner Barnhart, aye.

Upon resumption of the meeting, Chair Buchanan-McClure called for New Business. The directors presented a memorandum for the Board requesting the approval for the purchase of petition verification software from Runbeck Election Services. The directors expect petition verification to be a very heavy task this year, as there will be as many as 6-7 petitions (roughly 500,000 signatures) submitted to our office – an unprecedented amount. Director Fey mentioned that the Secretary of State's office has a nearly identical contract with Runbeck that they have proposed to the Board of Elections. This software would certainly speed up the petition verification process as the Secretary of State sends everything to us electronically versus waiting for the physical petitions in the mail. The directors reminded the Board that we spent nearly \$70,000 in 2016 for petition verification, and that this would save money overtime. This software would be paid for by the grant given to us by the Secretary of State, and the directors asked the Board for authorization to proceed with the pending contract, given the directors resolve logistical issues with Runbeck. Chair Buchanan-McClure made a motion to approve the

authorization of the directors to enter into a contract with Runbeck with the modifications expressed by the Board. Commissioner Potter seconded the motion. A roll call was taken and the votes were as follows: Chair Buchanan-McClure, aye; Commissioner Potter, aye; Commissioner Barnhart, aye.

At 3:00 p.m. the Board lacked a quorum and Chair Buchanan-McClure moved that the Board adjourn and Commissioner Barnhart seconded the motion. A roll call was taken and the votes were as follows: Chair Buchanan-McClure, aye; Commissioner Barnhart, aye. The meeting was then adjourned, and the Board continued in conversation for the remainder of the agenda.

  
Sharon Buchanan-McClure, Chair

  
Trudi McGollum-Foushee, Secretary  
*MATTHEW POTTER, COMMR*