

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, February 21, 2011, at 2:00 p.m. on notice and call of Chairman Kellett.

Present at the meeting were:

Richard H. Kellett	Chairman
Julie R. Jones	Secretary
Anita Yeckel	Commissioner
Ann Pluemer	Commissioner
Darold Crotzer	Attorney
Rita Heard Days	Director
Joseph A. Goeke, III	Director
Mary Wall	Deputy Director
Charlene LaRosa	Deputy Director

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

There being no one to speak at the Public Forum, Chairman Kellett made a motion to close the Public Forum and Commissioner Pluemer seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the Public Forum was closed.

Senator Yeckel moved that the minutes of the January 17, 2012 Board Meeting be accepted and filed and Commissioner Pluemer seconded. A vote was taken and the minutes were approved.

Chairman Kellett then called for the Directors' Report.

Judge Goeke said absentee voting opened today for the April 3 election.

With the turnout for the February election under 8%, cost per ballot was more than \$19.00. Cost per ballot of the previous Presidential Preference Primary was \$3.64.

The accelerated audit schedule showed one of our better elections, +5 and -2. Eighty percent of voters chose to vote by DRE on election day, continuing the trend of previous elections. More than 36,000 voters cast ballots in the Republican Primary and more than 14,000 voters cast ballots in the Democratic Primary.

Judge Goeke explained the makeup of the April candidates and issues.

Representatives from the Metropolitan Sewer District met with the Directors regarding a proposed June election for a bond issue and charter amendments. House redistricting was completed Thursday, leaving only Senate and County Council Districts to be done. The County Council map entered into evidence shows 12 precincts that will be split and very few changes for the 5th District.

Chairman Kellett then called for Senator Days' report.

Senator Days commended the staff for their work, completing the audit and certification of the February election in such a short period of time. Election night we received a phone call from the media asking if we had misplaced anything. We ultimately got the media bag and verified the election results.

Channel 5 interviewed Senator Days about a report showing errors in voter registrations nationwide. Senator Days explained about our use of the centralized voter database and updates received from the Department of Health and Human Services keeping us informed of deaths and the efforts continually made by staff to keep our registrations current.

The Department of Justice requested information about the City of Florissant. They said there were no complaints; it was just a routine review.

Senator Days updated the Board on Poll Worker recruitment and advised that the corporate campaign will be starting soon.

Chairman Kellett made a motion to accept the Director's Report and Commissioner Pluemer seconded. A vote was taken and the report was accepted.

Chairman Kellett complimented the staff on the job they did on the February election.

There was nothing to discuss under Old Business. There was nothing to discuss under New Business.

Commissioner Jones made a motion to accept and file the Financial report and Commissioner Pluemer seconded. A vote was taken and the report was accepted.

Chairman Kellett made a motion to accept and file the Personnel report and Commissioner Pluemer seconded. A vote was taken and the report was accepted as filed.

Under Legal, Attorney Crotzer updated the Board on changes pertaining to the April election.

There being no more business to be brought before the Board, Senator Yeckel made a motion to adjourn and Commissioner Pluemer seconded. A roll call was taken and the votes were as follows: Chairman Kellett, aye; Commissioner Jones, aye; Commissioner Pluemer, aye; Senator Yeckel, aye. The meeting was then adjourned.


Richard H. Kellett, Chairman


Julie R. Jones, Secretary