

The County of New Kent Electoral Board met on Monday, April 26, 2017, 2017 in the Office of the General Registrar in New Kent. Chairman Moss called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. with all members present including, Karen Bartlett, General Registrar; P. Simone Thornton, Chief Assistant Registrar; and Frances Gardner, Assistant Registrar.

CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES: Minutes of the Board's February 6 2017 and March 6, 2017 meetings, having been sent to the Board members for their review were approved and signed. Motion was carried, members were polled.

Kenneth C. Moore, Jr.	Aye
Charles E. Moss, Sr.	Aye
George B. Winson	Aye

DUAL PRIMARY / TRAINING / SCHEDULE / DATES: The Precinct Designation List of Officers assigned to work the June 13, 2017 here to and will be made a part of these minutes. The Registrar and staff will contact each individual that has been designated to work. There will be a few new Chiefs and Assistant Chiefs for the June Primary as well. The training schedule will include a special training for all Chiefs and Assistant Chiefs - Tuesday, May 23, 2017; All Officers will be asked to attend one training together on Thursday, May 25, 2017. Any new person that has never worked before will be called in to attend a special training in the registrar's office, (TBA) before the Primary. The Central Absentee Precinct will have their training on Saturday June 10, 2017. All other officers that have had their paper work and oaths turned in to our office will be made Alternates for this Election and will NOT be required to attend this training unless asked. Ms. Bartlett suggested that we go back to New Elam since others were familiar with that facility. Mr. Moss mention MCI, (Mt. Calvary Church International). The County Administrator once mentioned that we could use one of the schools in the past. Mr. Moss will find a place large enough to have the ALL officers meeting on May 25 and will report back by the next Electoral Board meeting. Mr. Moore asked the Registrar to send paper work for appointment as an Officer of Elections to two people from his party that stressed an interest. Joanne Lankford from (0401) and Kim Claytor from (0502). Staff will send letters tomorrow to wait for their response. Members were polled.

Kenneth C. Moore, Jr.	Aye
Charles E. Moss, Sr.	Aye
George B. Winson	Aye

DISCUSSION ON ELECTRONIC POLL BOOKS OR PAPER POLL BOOKS: Mr. Winson stated that since ELECT said that we have to use the EPBs that we need to concentrate on training the proper people, those with I.T. or with the right technology, experienced or with some Laptop / Computer experience from each precinct. Mr. Moore stated that we don't use what the Board of Supervisors and ELECT has already helped us obtain the; hand held scanner and the six additional lap tops than how can we expect to go back to them in the future **IF** we need any more support from the County. Mr. Moss stated that the Officers of Election as well as some voters had some concerns in the last Election about the EPBs and were not satisfied with the training that was provided to the officers that worked. . The Board of Supervisors also stressed some concerns as well. Nothing was shared with the staff or Electoral Board members at this time. Ms. Thornton and Ms. Bartlett and Mr. Terry Shelton helped conduct the training and the feedback we received was very well received, so we thought. We held training classes three days a week for six to eight weeks from July to September. We had NO negative feedback and we urged people who wanted a one on one training to come into the office. Mike Brown with Advocate software in Texas was supposed to call while we were in the meeting this evening. We have not heard from him yet. He was to explain the software and answer any question that the Board members may have had on his training program. 90 percent of the Virginia Registrar's already have Advocate and are very pleased with the software and the support from them. Ms. Bartlett mentioned that we already have that software downloaded on the EPBs as well as the ELECT software. The only issues with Advocate was that they will now be charging after July 1, 2017, \$35. Per lap top to use. Ms. Bartlett said that monies should be left in Maintenance and Programming line item in our budget so that we could afford it if we needed it. Mr. Moss made a comment, not to be surprised of our budget was not approved for this fiscal year. The Board members made a motion to continue using the Electronic Poll books and to get the appropriate training for everyone. Motion was made, members were polled.

Kenneth C. Moore, Jr.	Aye
Charles E. Moss, Sr.	Nay
George B. Winson	Aye

The Registrar said that if we go with Advocate that she was sure that we could get training through ELECT since the last email she received from Terry Shelton today was to go ahead with Advocate since ELECT was still waiting for their software to be certified.

OTHER BOARD MEMBER CONCERNS: Mr. Moss stated that at the next meeting the Board will go into Closed Session.

NEXT MEETING DATES: Wednesday, May 3, 2017 at 4:00pm. Closed Session.

Training dates will be Tuesday, May 23 at 6:00 p.m. Thursday, May 25 at 6:00 p.m. with Rain dates Tuesday, May 30, at 6:00 p.m. and Thursday, June 1, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. June 10, 2017 at 10:00 am for the Central Absentee Precinct.

ADJOURNMENT: Chairman Moss adjourned the meeting at 6:09 p.m. on the motion of Mr. Winson. Seconded by Mr. Moore. Members polled.

Kenneth C. Moore, Jr.	Aye
Charles E. Moss, Sr.	Aye
George B. Winson	Aye

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Secretary

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Chairman

May 1, 2017  
Date Prepared

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Vice-Chairman