

**MEETING OF THE
PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS
1100 MERCANTILE LANE, SUITE 135
LARGO, MD 20774
TUESDAY, MARCH 4, 2025**

PRESENT: Beatrice P. Tignor, President, Democratic Member
Roberta B. Deegan, Vice President, Republican Member
Faye M. Howell, Democratic Member
Felicia N. V. Pratt, Democratic Member
Terri L. Williams, Democratic Member
Michael M. Gorman, Substitute Republican Member
Carletta L. Lundy, Substitute Democratic Member
LaVerne P. Scott, Substitute Democratic Member
Anita C. Jones, Board Secretary
Wendy N. Honesty-Bey, Elections Administrator
Demetra K. M. Hutchinson, Deputy Elections Administrator
Arthur Horne, Board Attorney

ABSENT: None

This meeting was conducted at the Board of Elections' (BOE) office. Ms. Tignor called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m., and a quorum was present. There were no guests.

MINUTES

A motion was made by Ms. Lundy, seconded by Ms. Howell, and duly passed accepting the minutes for the February 3, 2025, regular meeting.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Correspondence –

- February 18, 2025 – Inquiry from the Tonya Sweat campaign concerning Jolene Ivey's suspension of her campaign and votes already submitted for Ms. Ivey. February 25, 2025, email from Ms. Honesty-Bey regarding the process.
- Ms. Honesty-Bey requested that calls/inquiries be referred to the Board of Elections (BOE) office. Information was posted on the BOE website.

Special Primary Election –

- Board of Election Canvassers were sworn in on Thursday, February 6, 2025, at 5:30 p.m. in the BOE office.
- A motion was made by Ms. Deegan, seconded by Mr. Gorman, and duly passed electing Ms. Tignor as President of the Canvass.
- A motion was made by Ms. Tignor, seconded by Dr. Pratt, and duly passed electing Ms. Deegan as Secretary of the Canvass.
- Lake Arbor Community Center – the bathrooms backed-up on Day 1 of Early Voting – issue resolved.

- Laurel-Beltsville Senior Activity Center – faint smell of gas on Day 2 of Early Voting. The polling place was closed for 45 minutes and candidates were notified via email of temporary shutdown. The Fire Department investigated, and the HVAC system was emitting an odor. The HVAC system is shared with Ernest E. Just MS and was handled by the Prince George's County Public School System.
- There were minor issues with electioneering and candidate representatives; the situations were managed by the Sheriff's Department.
- Early canvassing was conducted today. Canvas results will be uploaded when the Early Voting and Election Day results are received.

Special General Election – Ms. Honesty-Bey noted the following:

- Early Voting will be conducted May 28-June 2, 2025.
- Election Day is Tuesday, June 3, 2025.

Manual Audit – The audit was completed and verified with zero variance. The report was submitted to the State Board of Elections (SBE).

Election Director Evaluation Program – SBE is conducting their evaluation this month and are planning to present their report to the Board in May 2025.

Proposed Fiscal Year 2026 Budget – The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) provided the BOE with a target budget of \$7M. Staff submitted a request for \$10M including three new positions (one General Clerk position was approved). In addition, a supplemental budget to cover the special elections was submitted.

Voter Registrations – The Maryland Voter Registration System is updated based on information received from the registrants, ERIC (Electronic Registration Information Center), MVA (Motor Vehicle Administration, NCOA (National Change of Address), and other reports. This report is available on the BOE website.

MAEO (Maryland Association of Election Officials) – The MAEO conference is scheduled for May 4-9, 2025. All Board members are required to attend. The Biennial meeting is scheduled as part of the MAEO conference. Staff is preparing the required paperwork for this conference.

Election Judge Training – The BOE received inquiries requesting the rotation of Election Judges between the Primary and General Special Elections. Staff selected the judges that were already trained from the last election. The SBE did not provide additional training for this election. We will review the process for the next regular election cycle.

Staff will evaluate data collected from Election Judge notes and lessons learned to enhance training.

2025 Maryland General Assembly – Key election-related legislation will be reviewed.

PERSONNEL –

- General Clerk IV (two positions) – reviewing resumes
- Citizen Services Specialist (Spanish Language Coordinator) – reviewing resumes
- Administrative Aide IV – reviewing resumes
- Budget Analyst – reviewing resumes

OLD BUSINESS – None.

LEGAL – None.

NEW BUSINESS – None.

NEXT MEETING – The next regular meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 14, 2025, at 5:30 p.m., and it will be held in-person at the Elections Office. The May meeting will be held on Monday, May 12, 2025, (rescheduled due to MAEO).

A motion was made by Dr. Pratt, seconded by Ms. Scott, and duly passed to close the meeting at 6:45 p.m.

Beatrice P. Tignor, President

Anita C. Jones, Recording Secretary

Date