

Norfolk Electoral Board

Minutes of the March 7, 2023 Board Meeting

Present:

H. Michael Ziegenfuss (Chair), Marianne McKay (Vice-Chair), Atoy Carrington (Secretary), Stephanie Iles (Director of Elections & General Registrar), Rosanna Bencoach (Deputy Director of Elections & Deputy Registrar), and Shanina Francis (Vice-President of Hampton Roads Black Caucus).

The Norfolk Electoral Board was called to order by Mr. Ziegenfuss on Tuesday, March 7, 2023 in the Elections Office Board Conference Room in Norfolk's City Hall at 10:02am.

Approval of Minutes from the February 7, 2023 Board Meeting:

Ms. McKay moved to approve the minutes of the February 7, 2023 Board Meeting. Ms. Carrington seconded the motion. The Board unanimously approved the minutes from the meeting.

Approval of Officers of Election:

Ms. Iles presented a list of seven (7) potential Officers of Election for appointment. Ms. McKay's motion to approve the list was seconded by Ms. Carrington. The Board unanimously voted to approve those on the list as presented by Ms. Iles for a term ending on February 28, 2025.

Further Discussion Pertaining to Possible Polling Locations:

Ms. Shanina Francis expressed concern pertaining to why Old Dominion University was not being considered as a possible voting location since the Board and Registrar had previously agreed to meet with Norfolk State University about the possibility of a voting location on the NSU campus. Ms. Francis was advised that individuals from NSU had contacted the Norfolk Registrar and the Norfolk Electoral Board to arrange a meeting to discuss the possibility and feasibility of a polling location on the NSU campus since the majority of the NSU housing is on the NSU campus. Ms. Francis was informed that no one in recent years had contacted the Registrar or The Board to discuss the possibility and feasibility of a polling location on the Old Dominion University campus.

The Board also discussed the possibility of new voting locations considering the population growth that is anticipated throughout the city including the possibility of additional satellite locations as well as security issues and concerns.

Such other business as may come before the Electoral Board:

The Board has determined that future meeting times will be 11:00am on the first Tuesday of each month instead of 10:00am as previously posted.

The Board also discussed further logistics pertaining to the upcoming June primaries.

The next meeting of the Electoral Board was set for Tuesday, April 4, 2023 at 11:00am in the Elections Office Board Conference Room in Norfolk's City Hall.

Ms. McKay moved to adjourn the meeting, which was seconded by Ms. Carrington. The meeting was adjourned by unanimous vote of the Board at 12:23pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Atoy B. Carrington, Secretary
March 7, 2023