

June 4, 2015

Meeting of the Anne Arundel County *Board of Elections*,
Anne Arundel County Board of Elections, 7320 Ritchie Highway, Glen Burnie, Maryland 21061

Organization of the Board

The Board was sworn in by Douglas Arnold, Deputy Clerk of the Circuit Court, at 9:15 A.M. The Board organized in the following manner:

President – William G. Voelp
Vice President – John P. Ensor
Secretary – Brenda J. Yarema
Member – P. Tyson Bennett
Member – Tryphena A. Ellis-Johnson
Board Attorney – James C. Praley

Mr. Ensor made a motion that Mr. Voelp serve as Board President. Mrs. Yarema seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Voelp made a motion that Mr. Ensor serve as Board Vice President. Mrs. Yarema seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Ensor made a motion that Mrs. Yarema serve as Board Secretary. Mr. Voelp seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Ensor made a motion that Mr. Praley continue as Board Attorney. Mrs. Yarema seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Attendees:

William G. Voelp, Board President
John P. Ensor, Board Vice President
Brenda J. Yarema, Board Secretary
P. Tyson Bennett, Board Member
Tryphina A. Ellis-Johnson, Board Member
James Praley, Board Attorney
Joseph A. Torre III, Director
David Garreis, Deputy Director
Glen Muir, Polling Place Supervisor
Reider White, Voting System Supervisor
Stacie Williams, Polling Place/Voting System Admin
Christopher Clark, Recording Secretary

Guests:

Douglas Arnold, Deputy Clerk of the Court

Christine Davenport, President Anne Arundel County Democratic Central
Committee
Joan Cadden, Anne Arundel County Democratic Central Committee
Clarence Johnson Jr.
Alexander Yarema

Declaration of a Quorum Present

Mr. Voelp called the meeting to order at 9:10 A.M.

Approval of the May 14, 2015 Board Meeting Minutes

Mr. Ensor made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 14, 2015 Board Meeting. Mrs. Yarema seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Additions to the Agenda

There were no additions to the agenda.

Election Director's Report

The June 2015 Election Director's Report was deferred to the July 9, 2015 Board of Elections Meeting.

Board Attorney's Report

The Anne Arundel County Board of Elections Bylaws was distributed to all of the Board Members. Mr. Praley stated that the Board should review the bylaws before the next Board meeting. The bylaws and any questions pertaining to the bylaws will be addressed at the July Board meeting.

Old Business

Mr. Garreis reviewed the agenda for the Maryland Association of Election Officials (MAEO) Biennial Conference and distributed the ballots for an election to revise MAEO Bylaws.

Mr. White and Mr. Muir presented their findings on current local warehouse space and requirements for the New Voting System. After discussion the Board asked Mr. Torre to investigate how the other counties are accommodating the new Voting Equipment and to request a review from the State Board of Election's Space Planner.

New Business

Mr. Garreis reviewed a proposed new subtitle to the Code of Maryland Regulations, Title 33 State Board of Elections, Subtitle 21, Special Elections By Mail, which will provide for a special election conducted by USPS mail.

Closed Session

Mrs. Ellis-Johnson made a motion to meet in a closed session to discuss a personnel matter and a confidential voter request. Mr. Ensor seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

July Board Meeting Date

The next Board Meeting will be held on July 9, 2015 at 9:00 AM, at the Anne Arundel County Board of Elections, 7320 Ritchie Highway, Glen Burnie, Maryland 21061.

Adjournment

Mrs. Yarema made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mrs. Ellis-Johnson, seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 11:25 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Christopher Clark
Recording Secretary

Approved:

William Bluff
Josephine Ellis-Johnson

cc: State Board of Elections
Board Members
County Executive
County Council Members
County State Delegation
Budget Office

FORM OF STATEMENT FOR CLOSING A MEETING

Location: 7320 Ritchie Hwy, Rm 200
Glen Burnie, MD 21061

Date: 06/04/2015
Time: 9:55 AM

Motion By: Tryphina Ellis-Johnson

Seconded By: John Ensor

Vote to Close Session:

	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
William Voelp	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Brenda Yarema	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Tyson Bennett	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
John Ensor	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Tryphena Ellis-Johnson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

STATUTORY AUTHORITY TO CLOSE SESSION

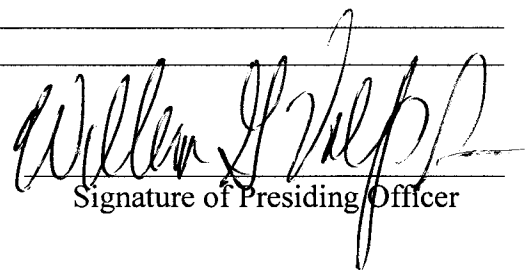
State Government Article § 10-508 (a):

- (1) To discuss:
 - (i) The appointment, employment, assignment, promotion, discipline, demotion, compensation, removal, resignation, or performance evaluations of appointees, employees, or officials over whom it has jurisdiction; or
 - (ii) Any other personnel matter that affects one or more specific individuals.
- (2) To protect the privacy or reputation of individuals with respect to a matter that is not related to public business.
- (3) To consider the acquisition of real property for a public purpose and matters directly related thereto.
- (4) To consider a preliminary matter that concerns the proposal for a business or industrial organization to locate, expand, or remain in the State.
- (5) To consider the investment of public funds.
- (6) To consider the marketing of public securities.

- (7) To consult with counsel to obtain legal advice on a legal matter.
- (8) To consult with staff, consultants, or other individuals about pending or potential litigation.
- (9) To conduct collective bargaining negotiations or consider matters that relate to the negotiations.
- (10) To discuss public security, if the public body determines that public discussions would constitute a risk to the public or public security, including:
 - (i) the deployment of fire and police services and staff; and
 - (ii) the development and implementation of emergency plans.
- (11) To prepare, administer or grade a scholastic, licensing, or qualifying examination.
- (12) To conduct or discuss an investigative proceeding on actual or possible criminal conduct.
- (13) To comply with a specific constitutional, statutory, or judicially imposed requirement that prevents public disclosures about a particular proceeding or matter.
- (14) Before a contract is awarded or bids are opened, discuss a matter directly related to a negotiation strategy or the contents of a bid or proposal, if public discussion or disclosure would adversely impact the ability of the public body to participate in the competitive bidding or proposal process.

TOPICS TO BE DISCUSSED:

REASON FOR CHOICE:



Signature of Presiding Officer

