



**Board of Supervisors of Elections
Minutes
Blue Crab Conference Room
WebEx Board Meeting
April 6, 2023
6:00 PM**

Boardmembers Present: Robert Kurnick, Stephen Fisher, Linda Silversmith, Stephen Weiner. Dr. Weiner was sworn in as a new member of the Board before the meeting.

Staff: City Clerk/Director of Council Operations Sara Taylor-Ferrell, and Executive Assistant Judy Penny

Absent: Joe Williams

Guests: Marissa Valeri, Izola Shaw

Convene and Welcome

Chair Kurnick convened the meeting at 6:07 pm and welcomed all those in attendance.

Approval of Minutes

Motion: To approve the minutes of March 9, 2023, with edits as submitted.

Moved by Boardmember Fisher, seconded by Boardmember Silversmith, and approved unanimously.

Questions to the Board

City Clerk/Director of Council Operations Sara Taylor-Ferrell reported that there were no new questions for the Board. Questions previously submitted by Ms. Marissa Valeri were reviewed, discussed, and answered. The Board agreed to provide a written response to Ms. Valeri.

Update on Election Outreach

Staff confirmed that election posters, in English, Spanish, and simplified Chinese, were distributed throughout the City, including the four City community centers, the Rockville Senior Center, the two Rockville kiosks, and Rockville and Wootton High Schools. In addition, the first election postcard has been mailed.

"Frequently Asked Questions," which appears on the City's election website, will be reviewed at the next scheduled BSE meeting.

Candidate and Treasurer Campaign Finance Training

The two candidate and treasurer campaign finance training sessions will be held on June 29th from 7:00 – 9:00 pm and September 9th from 1:00 – 3:00 pm.

Final Ballot Referenda Questions for 2023 Election

The Board approved the language of the ballot questions but instructed staff to include explanatory headers above each question.

Review Draft of Charter Amendment Resolutions and Amendments to City Code Chapter 8

The Board reviewed the proposed amendments to the City Charter and to Chapter 8 of the City Code prepared by the City Attorney.

Motion: To authorize the Chair to suggest additional changes and substitute language to the City Attorney.

Moved by Boardmember Weiner, seconded by Boardmember Fisher, and approved unanimously.

Status of Candidate Information Packet

The Board reviewed the Candidate's Campaign Information Packet.

Senate Bill 339 – Election Recount Procedures

Staff informed the Board that Senate Bill 339 does not apply to municipal elections.

Old/New Business

Future Meetings

In-person meetings will be conducted on Thursday, April 20, 6:00 pm in the Black-Eyed Susan Conference Room. Proof of vaccination and face masks will be optional.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Motion: To adjourn.

Moved by Boardmember Silversmith, seconded by Boardmember Fisher, and approved unanimously.