



**OFFICE OF THE ELECTORAL BOARD
GENERAL REGISTRAR
City of Fairfax**

February 2, 2015 Electoral Board Meeting Minutes

Minutes for the February 2, 2015 Electoral Board Meeting

The Secretary called the meeting to order at 11:10 am in Sisson House. Attendees: Dirk Brouwer, Secretary; Richard Herrington, Chairman; John Harold, Vice-Chairman; and Nancy Tingen, Deputy Registrar (DR).

The Electoral Board (EB) discussed the following:

Proposed legislation in the General Assembly (GA) which will reduce or eliminate EB authority for Absentee Ballots and Campaign Finance Reporting. The Vice-Chairman will communicate with our representatives in the GA expressing our opposition to the legislation.

The Governor's funding initiative for replacement of voting machines. This proposal which the EB actively lobbied against with Mayor, Council and the GA is not being looked upon favorably by many in the electoral community and the GA. The Vice-Chairman will distribute an updated list of Virginia localities that are using the WinVote machines to the EB.

The Virginia Electoral Board Association (VEBA) actively supported the above initiatives without getting Board input. The Chairman agreed to discuss these VEBA actions and their procedures for adopting legislative positions at the Annual Meeting at the Homestead.

The Vice Chairman expressed support for the Vote Center legislation, and he and the Chairman agreed to discuss this initiative with their respective party chairs.

At 11:38 am, the Secretary moved that the meeting be convened in closed session to discuss personnel matters relating to the GR vacancy/announcement. The motion was seconded by the Chairman and approved unanimously. The DR left the meeting.

At 11:56 am, the Secretary moved that the meeting be convened in open session. The motion was seconded by the Vice-Chairman and approved unanimously. The EB certified that the only matters discussed in the closed session were related to personnel.

The EB agreed to advertise meetings as follows:

February 18 at 10:00 am,

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March 2 at 10:00 am (organizational meeting).

The meeting adjourned at 11:59 am.

Dirk Brouwer, Secretary