

**POST-ELECTION MEETING OF THE  
DELAWARE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS  
July 25, 2023**

Present:

Ashley Lunkenheimer, Chair, Delaware County Board of Elections  
John P. McBlain, Member, Delaware County Board of Elections  
Scott Alberts, Member, Delaware County Board of Elections  
Jim Allen, Director of Elections  
Manly Parks, Solicitor  
Crystal Winterbottom, Voter Registration  
Lisa Jackson, Campaign Finance  
Public Comment:  
Councilwoman Christine Reuther  
Paul Rumley, Springfield Twp.  
John Childs, Radnor Twp.  
Joann Stump, Newtown Square  
Colleen Guiney, Swarthmore  
Carris Kocher, Glen Mills  
Joy Schwartz, Drexel Hill

Ms. Lunkenheimer called the meeting to order.

Pledge of Allegiance

A motion was made to amend the June 1 minutes to correct a name. Motion to amend was seconded and passed. Motion to approve minutes, as amended, was approved.

Mr. Allen reviewed the action and non-action items on the agenda.

Public Comment. Councilwoman Reuther spoke on possible drop-box reductions and possible precinct consolidations. Mr. Rumley commented on the ERIC system. Mr. Childs commented on the ERIC system. Ms. Stump commented on the ERIC system. Ms. Guiney spoke of appreciation for precinct consolidations and on whether candidates could serve as poll watchers. Ms. Coker commented on the Poll Pads and ERIC system. Ms. Schwartz spoke on precinct consolidation and electronic poll books.

Director of Elections Report. Mr. Allen spoke on election preparations in detail. Mr. Allen spoke on initial recommendations for the precinct realignments and consolidation of 98 to become 49. Of the 98, most have vacancies among the local Election Boards (Judge of Election, Majority Inspector, Minority Inspector). Beyond the staffing issues, Mr. Allen spoke of the administrative issues of setting up polling places for precincts with too few voters. Ms. Lunkenheimer spoke of the importance of community involvement and outreach on the possible consolidations. Mr. Parks spoke on the legal process. The Board shared views on this process and how it should be moved forward with more outreach to party leaders and local elected officials. Ms. Lunkenheimer made the motion to proceed with the preparation for the

redistricting process including precinct consolidations and realignments and the preparation of documents for legal proceedings for enactment ahead of the 2024 Primary. Mr. Allen then commented that the same initial steps in the affected communities be taken for the drop box reductions as well as adding this to the website. Mr. Allen then informed the board that the county capital improvement is going to allow for the expansion of the electronic poll book program for the fall with roughly a third of the precincts covered as discussed previously following a very positive pilot program as well as the positive attributes with the intention of having this completed with another third at the 2024 Primary and then the final third in the Nov. 2024 General Election.

Solicitor Report. Mr. Parks spoke on a lawsuit filed that sought unredacted voter records in contradiction of directives from the Department of State. Mr. Parks said the issue involved how and whether personal identifying information needed to be protected. Mr. Parks then spoke on the rules for candidates as poll watchers in polling places while the polls are open. A motion was made by Mr. Alberts and seconded by Mr. McBlain to formalize the rule that a candidate cannot serve as a Poll Watcher in any precinct where the candidate's name appears on the ballots. Motion passed 3-0.

Campaign Finance. Ms. Jackson presented requests for campaign-finance penalty waivers. The requests were from (Candidate) Colin Irving, the Ridley Democratic Committee, Nicholas Jones, William Bolton and Doug Stillman. Another request was from Edward Kelly who had a previous waiver approved with the belief that he would be able to terminate his candidate filings. Mr. McBlain moved to waive all the proposed penalties as presented. Motion was seconded by Ms. Lunkenheimer. Following discussion, the motion passed 2-1.

Next meeting date was discussed and is tentatively scheduled for Aug. 25, 2023, or upon call of the Chair.

Meeting Adjourned.