

Present: Anne Beamer, Chair; Wanda Pinion, Vice-Chair; Gloria Price, Secretary; Stacey Reavis, General Registrar

New Board Member Wanda Pinion was welcomed. Mrs. Price nominated Anne Beamer for Chair, Mrs. Beamer nominated Wanda Pinion for Vice Chair, Mrs. Pinion nominated Gloria Price for Secretary. The Officers were elected: Anne Beamer, Chair; Wanda Pinion, Vice-Chair; Gloria Price, Secretary

The December 13, 2022 Minutes were reviewed, Mrs. Price made a motion to accept them and Mrs. Beamer seconded; the Minutes were approved.

The New Board Member Boot Camp is March 25 before the VEBA Annual Meeting from March 26-27. Mrs. Pinion will attend the Boot Camp and VEBA Meeting with Mrs. Price and Beamer at the Hotel Roanoke.

The ELECT Annual Training will be July 20 in Richmond.

The Appointments for all Officers of Election to a new 3-year term, starting March 1, 2023, to February 28, 2026, will be sent by letter to those whose terms are expiring. New Procedure – Notice of OE Party representation preference will be sent to local Party Chairs. Mrs. Price made a motion to accept the list of Officers, Mrs. Beamer seconded the motion, the motion passed.

The Election Custodians' duties were discussed. One custodian will perform the Security standards solely. Two other custodians will be responsible for the L & A Testing, delivery, pickup, maintaining and securing equipment.

The SDR (Same Day Registration) is being discussed in the General Assembly. If it remains, there will be a potential need to purchase an additional scanner for processing of Provisional ballots.

The viability of the Department of Elections space was perused again. It is very difficult to operate in such tight quarters connected to other offices. Security of personnel and voting equipment is essential. Options are being considered.

A November Special Election for the Town of Independence Council vacancy is probable. Mr. Ronald Sexton was elected Mayer, leaving a vacancy in the Council.

The Polling Locations need a Liability Contract. They are already insured by the County when they are being used for county business. The EB will decide on a Liability Contract at the next meeting.

There was another discussion about the phone service at some polling locations. Verizon uses mini cell towers they could contract for. They would be used for emergencies and general voting information.

The Courthouse Security Plan is still in progress. Some elements have been put into place.

No further business, Mrs. Price made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mrs. Beamer seconded, meeting adjourned. Next meeting will be February 10, 2023 at 2:00.

Respectfully submitted,

Gloria Price

Gloria K. Price, Secretary

Approved by:

Anne Beamer - Chair

Anne Beamer, Chair

Wanda Pinion - Chair

Wanda Pinion, Vice-Chair