

# MINUTES

## MEETING OF THE ALLEGHENY COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

TUESDAY, MAY 1, 2018, 10:00 A.M., IN CONFERENCE ROOM #1, FIRST FLOOR COURTHOUSE,  
PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA 15219.

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**BOARD MEMBERS:** HONORABLE JOHN P. DEFAZIO, CHAIR-present  
HONORABLE RICH FITZGERALD, MEMBER-present  
HONORABLE SAM DEMARCO, MEMBER-absent

**IN ATTENDANCE:** JERRY TYSKIEWICZ – DIRECTOR, DEPT. OF ADMINISTRATIVE  
SERVICES  
MARK WOLOSIK – MANAGER, DIVISION OF ELECTIONS  
ALLAN J. OPSITNICK - ASST. COUNTY SOLICITOR, LAW DEPT.

**I. CALL TO ORDER** – The meeting of the Allegheny County Board of Elections commenced at 10:00 AM. Meeting called to order by Chair DeFazio.

**II. PUBLIC COMMENT**-Ron Banded, 1531 S. Negley Avenue. President of Vote Allegheny. Questions and comments on new voting machines, those being as follows:

- a. Where is the County in the process;
- b. What systems are being considered;
- c. Is the County involving other organizations to provide input;
- d. Is there a voting system expo.

Mr. Wolosik indicated that, as to a voting system expo, the County will have no trouble bringing vendors into the County to display their equipment. Mr. Wolosik indicated that there is currently one voting system, certified, that met state approval. Mr. Fitzgerald indicated that there was no state money yet appropriated and expected no or minimal federal money. Mr. Fitzgerald hopes that there will be a state cooperative purchasing agreement but that counties do not want to participate in an unfunded mandate.

**III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**-Minutes of the April 2, 2018 meeting were approved. Moved by Mr. Fitzgerald. Approved 2-0.

**IV. NEW BUSINESS**

The March 15, 2018 General Primary. Mr. Wolosik indicated that there are four polling places in Allegheny County located in private structures and that those polling places must be announced publicly. Those polling places are:

- a. Brentwood, District 4;
- b. Pittsburgh, Ward 16, District 6;
- c. Pittsburgh, Ward 20, District 2;
- d. Pittsburgh, Ward 31, District 2.

- V. Mr. Wolosik indicated that County voter registrations are up slightly more than 4,000, characterized as a modest increase. Absentee applications are slightly higher than they were 4 years ago. Mr. Wolosik projected a county-wide turnout, for both parties, of 20%.
- VI. Mr. Wolosik requested the Board to sign a state reimbursement document for the 35th State House Seat Special Election. The County reimbursement sought is \$121,000.00. Mr. Wolosik commented that the City shall reimburse the County for the 8<sup>th</sup> City Council District Special Election. That amount is \$66,000.
- VII. The next Board meeting, to certify the results, of the May 15, 2018 Primary, is Monday, June 4, 2018 at 10:00.
- VIII. **ADJOURNMENT** – There being no other business, meeting was adjourned at 10:10 AM. Moved by Mr. Fitzgerald. Approved 3-0.