

MAEO Board Meeting – Anne Arundel County LBE – 5/8/17

MAEO Committee reports highlights –

**Awards** – Nominations for Shining Star awards have been received and will be reviewed by the Board.

**Conference Planning** – Dale Livingston is the hotel point of contact. Other notes and reminders can be found in a separate article.

**Constitution and Bylaws** – A proposed amendment was submitted to allow SBE staff full voting rights. There was discussion later in the meeting regarding the method of voting (voice vote vs secret ballot), and whether each LBE would submit one 1 vote for the office or to have each MAEO member submit their vote. The decision was to have each member vote by secret ballot. Members can vote at the conference on Wednesday from 4pm to 6 pm, or by absentee ballot (deadline to request absentee ballot has already passed).

**Election Judges** – are working on their conference breakout session.

**Election Technology** – A letter was sent to Nikki Charlson regarding the shutting of the Electionware Results website. As this is a decision made by ES&S to stop offering this service, alternatives will need to be found to offer similar service(s) locally and statewide to voters on Election night.

**Legislative** – The minimum age of Election Judges was reduced to 16. The requirement to show proof of a new address when at Early Voting was dropped.

Mary Wagner reported that she had met with Maryland Delegate Eric Eborsole about a bill he proposed in the last General Assembly session – placing

**Regulations** – Reviewing options for changing Absentee procedures. Drafting a survey for states that pre-process their Absentee ballots to gather their input. Volunteers to work on this committee are always welcome.

**Standards/MDVoters** – Working on training modules for MDVoters.

The Board is reviewing quotes on Liability insurance for the conference. Next, it was proposed to fill an open slot on Thursday's conference schedule with a speaker from MIT (Charles Stewart) discussing voting equipment and liner management. Cost and accommodations were discussed.

There is now a Smartsheet form on the MAEO website (under the Member's Portal tab) for anybody to submit suggestions and ideas to the MAEO Board.