

Maryland Association of Election Officials

Representing the Local Election Boards of the State of Maryland

January 18, 2022 MINUTES

A meeting of the Maryland Association of Election Officials (MAEO) was held virtually on 18th day of January 2022. Notice of the meeting and the agenda were properly provided.

OFFICERS AND BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

David Garreis, President (Anne Arundel County)
Ruie Marie Lavoie, Vice President (Cecil County)
Danna Archie-Williams, Treasurer (Baltimore County)
Abigail Goldman, Secretary (Baltimore City)
Alisha Alexander, Board Member (Prince George's County)
Alysoun McLaughlin, Board Member (Montgomery County)
Ben Frey, Board Member (Somerset County)
Chrissy Jones, Board Member (Queen Anne's County)
Kimberly Phillips, Board Member (Howard County)

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Please see attached listing.

CALL TO ORDER:

President David Garreis called the meeting to order at 10:02 am. A quorum was established with all 9 of the board members present. Introductions were made and roll call of those in attendance was recorded.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA: None

MINUTES:

The Board Minutes of the November 16, 2021 meeting were presented.

MOTION: Mr. Ben Frey motioned to approve the Minutes of the November 16, 2021 meeting.

SECOND: Ms. Danna Archie Williams seconded the motion.

ACTION: All Board members voted in favor of the motion. Motion carried and Board minutes were approved.

The Board Minutes of the December 20, 2021 meeting were presented.

MOTION: Mr. Ben Frey motioned to approve the Minutes of the December 20, 2021 meeting.

SECOND: Ms. Danna Archie Williams seconded the motion.

ACTION: All Board members voted in favor of the motion. Motion carried and Board minutes were approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Ms. Danna Archie-Williams said there's nothing to report at this time. However, she has received 11 counties and payments for membership and from two of the local board of elections she's only received the paperwork. At this time, we have 154 members.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Absentee Ballot - Ms. Tae Ferrar gave a cliff notes version on the legislation update and the timeline of the canvasses. She wants to set up a meeting with the legislative committee to go over information.

Audit – No report at this time.

Awards – No report at this time.

Constitution and Bylaws – No report at this time.

Elections – No report at this time.

Early Voting/Election Judge – No report at this time.

Election Technology Committee – No report at this time.

Legislative — Ms. Katie Berry reported that she needs at least 20 LBEs to weigh in on a bill before she writes testimony. She does feel that the bill concerning the drop-boxes is one that we should support. Senate Bill 163 is Senator Kagan bill and she's looking for a voice to support but with amendments to go along with the bill that Senator Lam is going to present next week. Ms. Berry worked closely with Senator Lam to get this bill the way MAEO needs it to be.

She reported on several bills that are up for discussion Including the one by Delegate Dana Jones's which would raise the minimum pay for election judges. She has asked the membership for support on these bills because she has been working with Delegate Jones on these.

Newsletter – Ms. Jessica Noranbrock reported that Mr. Shawn Larson and the committee are in the process of putting the next issue together and hope to release it next week

Personnel – no report. Ms. Ruie Lavoie discuss the error on the paycheck this week. Standards– No report at this time.

Voter Outreach – No report at this time.

Voter Registration – No report at this time.

Webmaster – Mr. Hassan Aslam reported that the meeting minutes and agenda have been updated on the website.

OLD BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

A discussion about the COVID-19 contingency planning was brought up and what we need to accomplish and in addition to figure out what is the drop-dead date is to switch election type. The majority of board directors/deputy directors say it time to devote time and energy to get this done now. We have to have forward thinking on it

It was agreed after a lengthy discussion board and MAEO needs to get out in front of this issue.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on February 18, 2022 at 10 AM. Proper notice and the agenda will be provided.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, on a motion made by Ms. Ruie Lavoie and second by Ms. Alisha Alexander, the meeting was adjourned at 11:55 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Abigail Goldman Secretary

MEETING ATTENDENCE: 1/18/2022

	COUNTY
NAME	
	Caroline
Allison Murphy	
Anthony Cutiorroz	Harford Wicomico
Anthony Gutierrez Armstead Jones	
Bill Blackstone	Baltimore City Wicomico
Crystal McGinn	Queen Anne's
Debra Brohawn	Caroline
Dionne Church	Wicomico
Donald Gaither	Anne Arundel
Erin Perrone	Carroll
Guy Mickley	Howard
Hassan Aslam	Anne Arundel
Jessica Noranbrock	Dorchester
Jocelyn Abbott	Wicomico
Karen Perry	Cecil
Katherine Berry	Carroll
Kim H. Slusar	Harford
Kirstin Scott	Calvert
Marc Welch	Frederick
Mary C. Wagner	SBE
Michelle Meekins	Kent
Nathan Reynolds	Cecil
Robert Brady	Anne Arundel
Paul Noranbrock	Queen Anne's
Richard T. Siejack	Harford
Rita Walczyk Evans	Baltimore County
Stephanie Taylor	Harford
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Stephen Feryus	Harford
Tae Ferrar	St. Mary's
Tammy Willis	Caroline
Tiffany Ferrell	Howard
Tracy Dickerson	Charles
Virginia Green	Harford
Kay Robucci	Washington
Lisa Nash	Baltimore County
Cheemoandia Blake	Kent

Minutes approved at the March 11, 2022 meeting