



**Maryland Association of Election Officials
Representing the Local Election Boards of the State of Maryland**

July 10, 2024
MINUTES

A meeting of the Maryland Association of Election Officials (MAEO) was held in person on the 10th day of July 2024. Notice of the meeting and the agenda were properly provided. The meeting was held at the Anne Arundel Board of Elections office.

OFFICERS AND BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Anthony Gutierrez, Board Member (Frederick County)
Barry Jackson, Board Member (Washington County)
Abigail Goldman, Secretary (Baltimore City)

On Phone:

David Garreis, President (Anne Arundel County)
Danna Archie-Williams, Treasurer (Baltimore County)
Ruie Marie Lavoie, Vice President (Baltimore County)
Chrissy Jones, Board Member (Queen Anne's County)
Kimberly Phillips, Board Member (Baltimore County)
Tae Frere, Board Member (St. Mary's County)

CALL TO ORDER:

President David Garreis called the meeting to order at 10:01 am. A quorum was established with 9 of the 9 board members present. Introductions were made and roll call of those in attendance was recorded.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA:

None

PRESIDENTS REPORT:

Mr. Garreis welcomed everyone to the meeting.

MINUTES:

The minutes of the last meeting. There was one correction where Mr. Barry Jackson is referred to as Barry Washington. Barry Jackson made a motion to accept the minutes as amended. Mr. Anthony Gutierrez seconded the minutes passed

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Ms. Danna Archie Williams gave an update on membership. As of today all 24 LBE's have their paperwork and payment in.

Currently there are 399 members.

Ms. Archie-Williams stated that she is very excited about the growth of the organization. She's getting ready for the audit which will be in two weeks. However, she does have an issue. She was asked to present her bank documentation over e-mail. She does not feel comfortable to send it over that way. The board is free to come to the audit and look at them. Ms. Archie-Williams will send the date and time of the audit to the board.

Mr. Anthony Gutierrez motioned to accept the treasurers report and it was seconded by Ms. Kimberly Phillips.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Audit–None

Awards & Recognition- Service awards will be given out at the Annual Meeting, but all other awards will be held until 2025.

Conference Planning – See in old business.

Constitution & Bylaws – None

Early Voting/Election Judges – None

Educational & Grant – None

Elections – Mr. Richard Jerscheid reported that so far, he has received 51 mail-in ballot requests and 3 certificates of candidacies.

Election Technology- None

Legislative – None

Mail-In Voting –None

Newsletter – None

Personnel –Ms. Erin Perrone spoke to Ms. Chris Lohr about the COLA's. She is entering them in the Workday, and she be showing up next week. The longevity pay will start January of 2025. There is have been a lot of personnel changes at SBE.

Standards- None

State Regulations Review – None

Voter Outreach- None

Voter Registration– None

Website- None

OLD BUSINESS:

Annual Meeting Theme:

Ms. Lavoie stated that Ms. Goldman sent out an email to the membership asking for them to submit a theme for the annual meeting. She received back the following:

1. Moving the Election World Forward
2. We are “Everything Elections”
3. MASTERING ALL ELECTION OPPORTUNITIES
4. MAKING THE MOST OF ALL ELECTION OPPORTUNITIES
5. Crossing the Finish Line or Goals! Achieving the Objective - tie in with the Olympics.
6. UNITED WE STAND
7. UNITED WE STAND within our individual LBEs;
8. UNITED WE STAND across the 24 jurisdictions
9. UNITED WE STAND with SBE
10. UNITED WE STAND with the voters
11. MAEO: Adapting to the Climate Change in MD Elections
12. MAEO: Getting Elections Right in 2024
13. MAEO: Thinking Outside of the Box
14. MAEO: Motivate, Achieve, Evolve, Overcome
15. MAEO - Building Trust, Ensuring Fairness
16. MAEO - Fair Votes, Strong Voices.
17. MAEO - Transparent Elections, Trusted Results
18. MAEO - Resilient Democracies Start Here

The Board voted on the themes. #3 received 1 vote and # 4 and #17 each received 4 votes. The Board then had to vote between #4 and #17. #4 received 4 and #17 received 5. So, the theme for the Annual Conference is:

MAEO - Transparent Elections, Trusted Results

The theme winner was by Ms. Verinica Fox from Wicomico County.

Ms. Lavoie reported that the draft agenda is coming along. It will be in the simple form. Registration forms will be going out shortly. The date for the Annual Meeting is August 20, 2024, in Baltimore County.

NEW BUSINESS:

None

OPEN SESSION:

None

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, on a motion made by Mr. Barry Jackson and second by Mr. Anthony Gutierrez. The meeting was adjourned at 10:45 am.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be Annual Meeting on August 20, 2024, at Baltimore County.
Respectfully submitted,



Abigail Goldman
Secretary

ATTENDANCE:

NAME	COUNTY
Amanda Beanblossom	Harford
Amy Sullivan	Harford
Brittany Phillips	Dorchester
Cheemoandia Blake	Kent
Christine McDougal	Charles
Cliff Jones	Harford
Dan Oltman	Anne Arundel
Daniel Tinsley	Harford
Danielle Tinsley	Harford
Devin Jones	Anne Arundel
Diane Zepp	Frederick
Donald Gaither	Anne Arundel
Donna Kegley-Hacker	Talbot
Eduardo DeLima	Carroll
Erin Perrone	Carroll
Fred Gloeckler	Talbot
Gary Holmes	Cecil
Gwen Dales	Dorchester
Isaac Nogueron	Carroll
Jennifer Bartholow	Carroll
Jessica Noranbrock	Dorchester
John Michael Gudger	Carroll
Karen Benecewicz	Cecil
Kijuana Watkins	Anne Arundel
Kim Jones	Dorchester
Kimberly Bullock-Jones	Carroll
Kimberly Gilde	Anne Arundel
Larry Thomas	Talbot

Linda Miller	Anne Arundel
Mia Farber	Carroll
Nicole Hill	Anne Arundel
Olivia Smith	Carroll
Phoenix Blount	Anne Arundel
Reider White II	Anne Arundel
Rich Jerscheid	Anne Arundel
Sherri Woodruff	Cecil
Stephanie Taylor	Harford
Stephen Feryus	Harford
Susan McLeary	Frederick
Tammy Stafford	Talbot
Tresea Morningstar	Washington