

PROCEEDINGS
BOARD OF ELECTION SUPERVISORS
FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY

The Board of Election Supervisors held its regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, March 8, 1983, at the Board office. President Bast called the meeting to order at 2 P. M. and announced that G. Elaine Rose would be the voting member due to the illness of Virgil Banzhoff.

The following were recorded present:

Douglas G. Bast, President
Charles L. Downey, Minority Member
G. Elaine Rose, Substitute Member
Walter Bell, Jr., Substitute Member
Dottie Waters, Chief Clerk
Daris Phillips, Chief Clerk

MINUTES:

Charles Downey moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting held on February 8, 1983, seconded by Elaine Rose. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Dottie reported that Mr. Banzhoff is home from the hospital and doing well.

Mr. Downey, Daris and Dottie attended the funeral of Senator Edward Thomas on Thursday, March 3.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Mr. Bast read the memo from Bob Coble regarding Building and Grounds maintenance and repairs. We are requesting additional electrical outlets, two bulletin boards and semi-gloss enamel paint for the office door.

Mr. Bast read the memo from Willard Morris requesting certain information on absentee ballots for 1980 and 1982 General Elections. This information has been compiled and sent in.

President Bast read the memo from Barry Teach concerning "Day On the Job Program". The Board decided to advise them that we will be glad to show the students our facilities and explain the voting process.

OLD BUSINESS:

Dottie advised the Board that the County Commissioners had accepted our request for a line item change and we have ordered two desks and a high stool.

Dottie advised the Board that the registration drive in the High Schools has been very good. We have registered 182 students at Williamsport, 38 at St. Maria Goretti, 134 at Smithsburg High and 182 at South High.

Mr. Downey and Daris will speak to the Cerebral Palsy Association on Wednesday, March 9, on voter registration and the election process.

Mr. Bast told the Board that he had sent Louis Dattilio a letter that we had researched his proposals and were advising him of the outcome.

The Board discussed the requested changes in the absentee ballot laws. Dottie advised that she had talked to Peg McDonald, Chairman of the Legislative Committee for the Maryland Association of Election Officials, concerning these changes.

NEW BUSINESS:

Dottie advised that the dues for MAEO had increased from \$10.00 to \$15.00. Jean Calhoun and Dorothy Kaetzel are interested in being members. Motion by Mr. Downey and seconded by Elaine Rose that we include them in the membership. Motion carried.

Dottie advised the Board that the pre-election meeting to be held on October 2-4, 1983 will be held at the Annapolis Holiday Inn. The registration fee will include breakfast and lunch, with dinner to be a free time for the participants.

Dottie advised the Board that we had received a check for \$1,115.72 for our portion of 1982 filing fees from the State. This check has been turned over to the County Commissioners.

Mr. Bast advised the Board that he and Mr. Downey had met on Feb. 24 to discuss the budget, after which Dottie talked to Mr. Banzhoff on the phone and the Board agreed unanimously to the following requests. They are asking for an increase in salary for the Board Members, with the President receiving \$1,800 and \$1,500 for each member. They also are asking for \$10.00 for each poll worker attending school, instead of the present \$5.00. They have also included in the budget \$700 for voting machine covers and \$1,000 for maintenance on the voting machines. Our budget hearing is scheduled for March 29 at 3:30 P. M.

Motion by Charles Downey and seconded by Elaine Rose that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried. The next regular meeting will be held on April 12, 1983 at 2 P. M.

Respectfully submitted,

Dorothy M. Waters

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