

Special Telephonic Meeting of the
State Officers Electoral Board
Tuesday, July 11, 2006
9:10 a.m. – 9:26 a.m.

MINUTES

PRESENT IN CHICAGO:	Jesse R. Smart, Chairman William M. McGuffage, Member
PRESENT IN SPRINGFIELD:	John Keith, Member
PRESENT VIA CONFERENCE CALL:	Wanda L. Rednour, Vice Chairman Patrick A. Brady, Member Bryan A. Schneider, Member Robert J. Walters, Member
ABSENT:	Albert S. Porter, Member
ALSO PRESENT:	Daniel W. White, Executive Director Steve Sandvoss, General Counsel Darlene Gervase, Assistant to the Executive

Director

The Chairman convened the State Officers Electoral Board at approximately 9:11 a.m. with seven members present. Mr. McGuffage held Mr. Porter's proxy.

General Counsel Sandvoss called the cases and accepted appearances in the following matters:

Case number 06 SOEB GE 501; Kristina Keats and Eloise Gerson objectors to the candidacy of Nita Shinn, et al. for the Independence Party. Attorney Andy Raucci appeared for the objectors and no one appeared for the candidates.

Case number 06 SOEB GE 502; Kristina Keats and Eloise Gerson objectors to the candidacy of Randall Stuffelbeam, et. al., for the Constitution Party. Attorney Raucci appeared for the objectors and Mr. Stuffelbeam appeared *pro se*.

Case number 06 SOEB GE 503; Gregory Lietz and John Dreher objectors to the candidacy of Joseph Paranauskis for the office of State Senators of the 52nd Legislative District for the Socialist Equality party. Attorney Courtney Nottage appeared for the objectors and Mr. Paranauskis appeared *pro se*, but stated he was awaiting his attorney Andrew Spiegel who should be there by 9:15 a.m.

Case number 05 SOEB GE 504; Kevin Williams and Raython Bailey objectors to the candidacy of Richard Whitney, et al for the Green Party. Attorney Joel Griswold appeared for the objectors. Mr. Whitney appeared *pro se*, but indicated that Attorney Andrew Spiegel would be representing him also.

Mr. Sandvoss presented the Rules of Procedure that the Board would follow in the aforementioned cases. Several of the candidates in the audience asked if they could read the rules before the Board adopted them. The Chairman agreed and Mr. Sandvoss moved onto the next item.

The General Counsel asked for a motion to appoint hearing officers in these cases. Vice Chairman Rednour moved to authorize the General Counsel to hire hearing officers as required contingent upon approval of the rules. Mr. McGuffage seconded this motion which passed unanimously.

Mr. Sandvoss presented the Rules of Procedure to the Board for approval. Vice Chairman Rednour moved to approve the Rules of Procedure. Mr. McGuffage seconded the motion which passed by roll call vote of 8-0.

At this time, the General Counsel announced to the parties that they should meet with their hearing officers for case management conferences of their cases immediately.

There being no further matters before the State Officers Electoral Board, Mr. McGuffage moved and Vice Chairman Rednour seconded a motion to recess to the State Board of Elections at 9:26 a.m. and to forego taking another attendance roll call. The matter passed unanimously.

The State Officers Electoral Board recessed until Monday, July 17, 2006 or until the call of the Chairman.

DATED: July 12, 2006

Respectfully submitted,

Darlene Gervase, Assistant to the Executive Director

Daniel W. White, Executive Director