

State Board of Elections Board Meeting
Tuesday, December 20, 2005
10:30 a.m.

MINUTES

PRESENT:

Jesse Smart, Chairman
Wanda L. Rednour, Vice Chair
Patrick Brady, Member
John R. Keith, Member
William McGuffage, Member
Albert S. Porter, Member
Bryan A. Schneider, Member
Robert Walters, Member

ALSO PRESENT:

Daniel W. White, Executive Director
Steve Sandvoss, General Counsel
Darlene Gervase, Assistant to the Executive Director

The regular monthly meeting of the State Board of Elections was called to order at 10:35 a.m. Chairman Smart opened the meeting by leading everyone in the pledge of allegiance.

Five members were present, the remaining 3 members confirmed that they would be late, but would attend the meeting, Member Porter held Mr. McGuffage's proxy until his arrival at 11:10 a.m. and Chairman Smart held Members Walters and Schneider's proxies until their arrivals at 10:45 and 1:00 p.m. respectively.

The Chairman presented the minutes of the November 21 regular Board meeting. Vice Chairman Rednour moved, and Mr. Porter seconded the motion to accept the minutes as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Smart noted that a voting system was installed in the conference room by Hart Intercivic for the Board's perusal. Ashlea Crouse, Lawrence Leach and Neil McClure were present for Hart.

General Counsel Sandvoss began his report with an oral update of the ballot forfeiture issue wherein persons running for office who owe penalty fines to the Board shall not appear on the ballot for any office. Rupert Borgsmiller, Director of Campaign Finance submitted a list of committees who may be impacted by this matter. Mr. Borgsmiller assured the Board that their names would be removed after the fines were paid.

Mr. Sandvoss continued with *SBE v. Citizens to Elect David Young*, .S8589, 05CD037. He summarized the complaint and recommended that the matter be dismissed as the committee filed the required semi-annual report and a final report and that no further action is necessary. Mr. Keith moved to adopt the recommendation of the hearing officer and General Counsel. Vice Chairman Rednour seconded the motion which passed by roll call vote of 8-0.

The Chairman called the matter of *23rd Ward Regular Democratic Organization*, 05CD1-12. Mr. Sandvoss introduced a Motion for Reconsideration of a Final Order and a request to name a new treasurer. The General Counsel recommended that the Motion be denied. Discussion was had among the Board members. Mr. Keith moved to deny the Motion and to advise the committee that they can choose whoever they wish as treasurer. Vice Chairman Rednour seconded the motion which passed 8-0.

New appeals were presented. It was the recommendation of the hearing officer that the appeals be granted and the General Counsel concurred. Vice Chairman Rednour moved to grant the appeals in *SBE v. Skokie Caucus Party*, L731, 05AE010; *SBE v. Committee to Elect Tommy Brewer*, L2122, 05JS082; *SBE v. Committee to Elect Shad Edwards*, L9548, 05AE020; *SBE v. Citizens for Excellent Schools*, L10564, 05JS005; *SBE v. Citizens for Harrington*, L11118, 05JS008; *SBE v. Citizens for Officer*, L11408, 05AE026; *SBE v. Township Economy Party*, L12637, 05JS051; *SBE v. Friends for John Hansen Committee*, L12801, 05AE049; and *SBE v. Citizens for Classrooms*, S8822, 05AE068. Mr. Brady seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Mr. Sandvoss presented *SBE v. Citizens for Steve Kim*, L8214, 05JS088. After short discussion it was agreed to continue this matter to the January 19, 2006 meeting.

The General Counsel continued with the remaining new appeals that the hearing officer recommended be granted. He agreed with the recommendations of the hearing officer and added that the order reflect that the amended reports be filed within 30 days of this order. The committees are: *SBE v. PROSteger Party*, L10530, 05AE024; *SBE v. Citizens for Mark Sorrentino*, L12459, 05AE034; 14) *SBE v. Piazza Party*, L12597, 05AE042; and *SBE v. Friends of Mark Guethle*, S8413, 05AE066. Mr. Keith moved and Vice Chairman Rednour seconded the motion to adopt the recommendations of the hearing officer and General Counsel and the motion carried unanimously.

The appeal in the matter of *SBE v. Citizens for Rose*, L2353, 05JS031 was called and considered. After discussion, Mr. Keith moved to deny the appeal. Vice Chairman Rednour seconded the motion which passed 8-0.

The Chairman called *SBE v. Citizens to Elect Robin Kelly*, S8026, 05CD057. The committee's defense was that since neither their candidate, nor the contribution they made was for a candidate on the ballot, they did not have to file a Pre Election Report. In fact, the contribution was for a candidate on the ballot. The hearing officer recommended that the appeal be granted and the General Counsel agreed. After discussion by the Board, the General Counsel rescinded his recommendation and recommended denying the appeal as it is the committee's responsibility to know if a candidate is on the ballot. Mr. Keith moved and Vice Chairman Rednour seconded the motion to deny the appeal. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Sandvoss introduced new appeals of campaign disclosure fines. The hearing officer recommended the appeals be denied and he concurred with the recommendation. Mr. Keith moved to adopt the recommendations of the hearing officer and General Counsel and Vice Chairman Rednour seconded the motion which passed unanimously. The cases are: *SBE v. Citizens to Elect Aaron Shepley*, L8014, 05CE059; *SBE v. Citizens for Healy*, L9642, 05CP006; *SBE v. Committee to Elect Sheldon Sobol Grundy County State's Attorney*, L10697, 05CE060; *SBE v. Friends of Marsha Murphy*, L10868, 05CE061; *SBE v. Grass Roots Independent Party*, L11904, 05AE070; *SBE v. Hernandez for State's Attorney*, L12271, 05JS039; *SBE v. Citizens for Juany Garza*, L12371, 05AE031; *SBE v. Community Party*, L12476, 05AE035; *SBE v. Bob Eder for District 65*, L12539, 05JS044; *SBE v. New Leadership Party*, L12575, 05AE041; *SBE v. Citizens for Elmer Jones*, L12642, 05AC006; *SBE v. Bremen Achievement Party*, L12926, 05JS069; *SBE v. Committee to Reform Waukegan Township*, L12980, 05AE056; *SBE v. Bremen Township Regular Democratic Org.*, S742, 05JS104; *SBE v. Citizens to Elect Catherine D. Sanders*, S7200, 05JS101; *SBE v. Citizens for Leys*, S7868, 05JS108; *SBE v. Citizens for Phil Arnold*, S8356, 04DS141 & 05JS131; *SBE v. Citizens to Elect Tom Weisner*, S8460, 05AE067; *SBE v. Maine Township Republican Officials*, S8738, 05AC009; and *SBE v. Hispanic Empowerment Chicago Heights Org.*, S8900, 05JS130;

The *SBE v. South Suburban Coordinated Democrats*, L8607, 05AC002 was continued to the January meeting.

The Chairman called *SBE v. Citizens to Re-Elect Bob Miller*, L5165, 04 GE 100, which had been carried over from the October Board meeting. This is an appeal of a campaign disclosure fine that the hearing officer recommends and the General Counsel concurs be denied. Mr. Robert Miller and Attorney James Kelly appeared for the respondent committee. After discussion, Mr. Keith moved to deny the appeal and assess a \$2200 fine to be stayed as a first penalty. Mr. Brady seconded the motion which passed 7-1 with Mr. McGuffage dissenting.

Mr. Sandvoss introduced new appeals of Campaign Disclosure wherein the hearing officer recommends the appeals be denied. The first matter was *SBE v. DeKalb County Democrats*, L56, 05JS136. Treasurer John Horn appeared for the committee. Mr. McGuffage moved that the Board assess a fine of 10% of the amount imposed which is \$430. Vice Chairman Rednour seconded the motion which failed by a vote of 3 to 5 with Members Brady, Keith, Schneider, Walters and Chairman Smart dissenting. Mr. Keith moved to deny the appeal and assess a \$2,150 penalty which is the statutory mandate, and stay the penalty as a first violation. Mr. Porter seconded the motion which passed 6-2 with Mr McGuffage and Vice Chairman Rednour voting against the motion.

The Chairman called the matter of *SBE v. Caucus Candidates Committee*, L8561; 05AE059. Mr. Bob Saigh appeared for the committee and stated the committee has been around for 72 years and asked for reconsideration as he was still awaiting information on two A-1s which were the focus of this complaint. The General Counsel summarized the activities of the respondent and agreed with the recommendation of the hearing officer to deny the appeal. Mr. Keith moved to adopt the recommendations of the hearing officer and General Counsel and to levy a fine in the amount of \$305. Vice Chairman Rednour seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Mr. Sandvoss summarized the activities of the respondent in *SBE v. Stonewall Democrats, Illinois*, L9234, 05JS090. He concurred with the hearing officer that the appeal be denied for lack of an adequate defense and suggested a total penalty of \$2,625. Mr. Keith moved and Vice Chairman Rednour seconded the motion to adopt the recommendations of the hearing officer and General Counsel and fine the committee \$2,625. The motion passed 8-0.

The Chairman called *SBE v. Yes for Pools*, L120118, 05DS140 and noted that Mr. James P. Nally was present to represent the respondent. Mr. Nally stated that the treasure underwent two brain surgeries during the time the report was due and that the committee has filed its final report. Mr. Keith moved and Mr. Brady seconded a motion that the committee file their final report electronically and that the fine will be abated if the committee remains dissolved for a 2 year period. The motion passed 8-0 by roll call vote.

The Chairman introduced *SBE v. Action Party*, L12510, 05AE037 and its treasurer Lori Gattorna and asked for the General Counsel's recommendation. Mr. Sandvoss agreed with the hearing officer that the appeal should be denied. Mr. Keith moved to adopt the recommendation of the hearing officer and General Counsel and deny the appeal. Mr. Brady seconded the motion. Mr. Walter added the penalty of 10% of the fine or \$1,465. Mr. Keith accepted the addition to the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Smart called for appearances in the matter of *SBE v. Re-Elect Jack Swan*, L12865, 05JS064. Mr. Jim Downing appeared for the respondent. Mr. Downing is not an attorney, nor an officer of the respondent committee. Therefore, he was unable to represent the respondent per the Board's rules. Mr. Keith moved and Mr. Brady seconded a motion to continue the matter to February 21, 2006 in the Chicago office. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Sandvoss summarized the complaint and report of the hearing officer in the matter of *SBE v. Friends of Mark William Daniel*, L12906, 05JS066 and disagreed with the recommendation of the hearing officer. Mr. Brady moved to grant the appeal. Vice Chairman Rednour seconded the motion which passed 8-0 by roll call vote.

Item 41, *SBE v. CH Independent Voters*, L13044, 05AE058 was called. Mr. Sandvoss summarized the complaint and agreed with the hearing officer that the complaint should be denied. Mr. Keith moved to deny the appeal, fine the committee 10% of the amount of the fine and if the committee remains inactive for 2 years, the fine will be abated. Vice Chairman Rednour seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

Chairman Smart called *SBE v. Chicago Principals and Administrators Association*, S6205, 05JS153. Mr. William Quinlan and Clarke Berry were present for the respondent. Mr. Sandvoss summarized the activities of the committee and agreed with the recommendation of the hearing officer to deny the appeal. Mr. Quinlan stated that he believes that the Board has the discretion to reduce the fine and advised the Board that former officers of the committee had not timely filed the reports. Mr. Sandvoss revised his recommendation to include reducing the fine to \$1,050 and to stay the fine. Mr. Keith moved to adopt the recommendation of the hearing officer and General Counsel and to reduce and stay the fine. Mr. McGuffage seconded the motion which passed 8-0.

The Chairman introduced *SBE v. Tooling & Manufacturing Assn. PAC*, S7718 05JS107. General Counsel Sandvoss concurred with the hearing officer's recommendation. Mr. Keith moved to adopt the recommendation of the hearing officer and General Counsel and added that the committee files the report electronically within 30 days of the order. Vice Chairman Rednour seconded the motion which passed 8-0.

Chairman Smart noted that Mathias Delort filed an appearance for item 49, *SBE v. Move Illinois Forward*, S8662, 05CD058. Mr. Sandvoss agreed with the recommendation of the hearing officer to deny the appeal. Mr. McGuffage moved and Vice Chairman Rednour seconded the motion to deny the appeal, assess a find in the amount of \$500 and stay the fine as it is a first violation. The motion carried 8-0.

The Chairman called *SBE v. Jack Franks*, S7091, 05 AE 063. Mr. Mike Kasper appeared for the respondent committee. Mr. Borgsmiller asked for additional time to verify the statements made by Mr. Kasper. The Chairman continued this matter until later in the day.

New appeals of campaign disclosure fines where the hearing officer recommended the appeals be granted in part and denied in part were considered. In *SBE v. The Progressive Party*, L12667, 05AE046, the hearing officer recommended that the appeal in the first violation be granted. As to the 2nd violation, it appeared that the violation was inadvertent and unintentional and the hearing officer recommended the penalty be reduced to 10% or \$250 and as a first violation the penalty be stayed. The General Counsel concurred with the recommendation. Mr. Porter moved to adopt the

recommendations of the hearing officer and General Counsel. Vice Chairman Rednour seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Chairman Smart noted that Attorney Christine Shepard and John Pankau, Treasurer, appeared for the respondent in *SBE v. People for Pankau*, S5162, 05 MA 014. Mr. McGuffage moved to adopt the recommendations of the hearing officer and General Counsel and reduce the A-1 violation to 10% or \$100. Vice Chairman Rednour seconded the motion which passed by 7-1 vote with Mr. Keith voting against the motion. After the motion passed, Mr. Keith noted that the stay for non participation and reduced fine for the A-1 is now lifted and owing as this is a second offense. After length discussion the General Counsel recommended the violations be treated as 2 separate violations.

Discussion resumed regarding the *SBE v. Jack Franks* matter. Mr. Borgsmiller agreed that the two year rule should apply and agreed with the recommended 10% (\$860) fine, which would be stayed. The General Counsel agreed. Mr. McGuffage moved and Vice Chairman Rednour seconded the motion to adopt the hearing officer and General Counsel's recommendations and apply the 10% stayed violation which passed by unanimous vote.

Mr. Sandvoss asked the Board to issue a Rule to Show Cause to Assess a Civil Penalty regarding *SBE v. Citizens to Elect Fred Bucholz*, L11615, 04AG113 as the committee was ordered to file an amended December 2004 Semi annual report within 30 days of the order and has not yet complied with the Board's order. No one appeared for the respondent. Mr. Keith moved and Mr. Walters seconded a motion issuing the Rule to Show Cause as requested by the General Counsel. The motion passed by unanimous roll call vote.

The General Counsel presented for Final Order the *Donahue v. Moreno*, 02CD70 matter. He recommended no further action can be taken as the respondent cannot do anything further to complete the reports at issue in this complaint and that the offices of the Attorney General and State's Attorney have both declined prosecution. Mr. Mathias Delort appeared for the respondent. No one appeared for the complainant. (Mr. Donahue appeared several hours after this matter was called and reappeared again when the Board was in executive session but did not speak to the matter.) Mr. Keith moved and Mr. McGuffage seconded a motion to adopt the General Counsel's recommendation. The motion passed 7-0-1 with Mr. Porter recusing from the vote.

Assessments of Final Orders and payments of civil penalties were submitted for informational purposes.

Items 58 and 59 *SBE v. Committee to Elect Joe Lewis*, 05CD075; and *SBE v. Friends of Juan R. Thomas*, 05CD084; were continued to executive session.

At the October meeting, Mr. Sandvoss proposed that Campaign Disclosure staff be given the authority to withdraw a complaint in the event that the committee, prior to the scheduled closed preliminary hearing or public hearing, files the required reports. This action would shorten the agenda by the elimination of needless material. Authorization would be limited to those committees that file their reports prior to the hearing or file electronically if the complaint is based on the committee not filing electronically when required to do so. Per established procedure, upon receipt of the delinquently filed report, the staff would assess the statutory designated civil penalty. Mr. Keith moved and Vice Chairman Rednour seconded the motion which limits this authority to first time offenses to file electronically. The motion passed unanimously.

The Chairman called for a short recess at 12:45. The meeting resumed at 1:00 p.m. at which time Member Schneider arrived. The Report of the Executive Director began with a legislative update. He stated that the emergency budgetary legislative session will limit the number of bills presented by individual members to a maximum number of three. Additional, the legislature has a very compact January 3 through April 7, 2006 accelerated schedule. Cris Cray, Legislative Liaison, was available to answer any questions and affirmed that the Board's budget would be presented at the January 19th meeting and will timely be presented for the legislature's action. Mr. Brady asked for a change defining vendor which Ms. Cray will incorporate. Mr. Porter questioned in-kind donation language and Ms. Cray verified that the bills will be introduced incorporating the Board's suggested changes including the ballot forfeiture language. Vice Chairman Rednour moved to introduce the 4 bills with the suggested changes. Mr. Schneider seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Mr. White's report continued with voting systems certification. He complimented Dianne Felts, Director of Voting Systems and Standards, on her and her staff's hard work and diligence to ensure testing was timely completed and advised the Board that she and her staff expended several thousand hours of testing. Ms. Felts recommended certification of the Diebold/Fidlar system and that items in question be completed within the 2 year interim approval. One of Director Felts concerns was regarding the instructions for the hearing impaired as she had been advised that most hearing impaired

people read at 4th grade level and the current instructions were at 6th grade level. She was assured that those instructions could be easily adjusted today by staff of Diebold. Mr. Radke also stated that modifications made by the state of Ohio had been made and the systems were currently used with great success in Ohio. Lengthy discussion ensued among the Board members and Diebold was asked to respond to questions that had been previously posed to Diebold staff. Mr. Mark Radke, Larry Calvert, Ken Gibson, Bill Barrett and Ms. Jessica Heiner appeared for Diebold. Mr. Radke, Director of Marketing, read a response and responded to some of the Board's questions. Mr. Keith was concerned with the ethics of the CEO of Diebold who wrote a letter to President Bush assuring him of his determination to see him elected. Mr. Radke responded that Wally O'Dell is no longer the CEO and that Diebold has moved into a non partisan role. He agreed that it was an unprofessional statement, but added that Diebold has been the subject of internet propaganda. Mr. Porter acknowledged the DVD that had been sent to the Board from the Illinois Ballot Integrity Project and noted that their experts have excellent credentials and that their concerns should be addressed. Director Felts was asked if she was ready to certify and she reiterated that the Diebold/Fidlar system has a 2002 Standards NASED number which means that they passed the independent testing required by HAVA and that they have passed the state of Illinois testing requirements. Another of Ms. Felts concerns was that after 2 print outs, the third print out is your final vote. She preferred a print out every time to check your vote before a final vote. Ms. Felts agreed that that the voter has 4 minutes to finalize your vote and 2 print outs and another final may be within that 4 minute time frame, but she wasn't sure and preferred to have as many print outs as possible to ensure that you voted every office you intended. Ms. Felts stated that she tests to make sure the voting system counts the votes accurately. She also responded that she does not test the security of the system. She further replied that Diebold passed ITA; that they have a NASED number certified to the 2002 standards; and they have made all the requirements in our Code. Illinois Ballot Integrity Project was represented by Beverly Walter, Clare Tobin, Sharon Pierson, Patrick O'Hara, Larry Quick and Robert Wilson. Mr. Quick stated that Mr. McGuffage asked him to make a statement which he read and provided to the Board. Mr. Quick questioned the security of the Diebold and any electronic voting system. Mr. Bob Saar, Executive Director of the DuPage Board of Election Commissioners urged the Board to move forward and certify the Diebold system as he had complete trust in the system and Diebold's support. Mr. Saar stated that he has found 97% inaccuracies in statements made by Illinois Ballot Integrity Project and Blackbox Voting.com. Mr. Bob Wilson of Illinois Ballot Integrity Project voiced his concerns of the Automark certification. Other Election Authorities appeared to urge the Board to move forward with certification. Those present were Kathy Schultz, McHenry County; Thomas Bride representing Joann Thomas, the Peoria County Clerk; John Cunningham, Kane County Clerk, and Jeanine Gavagan of the Lake County Clerk's office. Ms. Jessica Heiner, a Diebold engineer responded to the question of the ovals not being completely filled in by stating that a similar issue arose in Ohio which resulted in the sensitivity being adjusted on the software which solved the problem. She was sure that the problem could be easily rectified. Mr. McGuffage proposed a motion that the Board grants interim 2 year certification to Diebold Accuvote – TSX DRE subject to the questions submitted to Diebold that must be answered not later than December 31, 2005 and also that the problems Dianne Felts found be resolved before the 2006 primary election. Mr. Schneider seconded the motion which passed by a roll call vote of 6-2 with Messrs Keith and Porter voting against the motion.

Mr. McGuffage moved to certify the Diebold's Central County In-Precinct Scan 2.012. Vice Chairman Rednour seconded the motion. Ms. Felts stated that this system performed perfectly, but also that she does not test the security on the central county scan. The motion passed 6-2 with Messrs. Keith and Porter voting no.

Director White was pleased to report that the first day of the petition filing period resulted in 400 candidates being processed and listed on the Board's website before 9:30 am. Further, he noted that the lottery would be held at 2:00 p.m. on December 28th and confirmed that a meeting of the State Officers Electoral Board is scheduled for 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, January 4, 2006 to hear objections to nominating petitions.

Mr. White reported on the HAVA Accessibility Requirements Proposal and funding to the election authorities to fulfill the HAVA requirement to have at least one accessible voting device in each polling place by January 1, 2006. The Director introduced Mr. Hollister Bundy, Vice President of Inclusion Solutions, who developed a proposal to supply Board materials, such as Voter Assistance on Election Day, Provisional Voting in Illinois, Registering to Vote in Illinois and others in Braille. Inclusion Solutions has partnered with Disability Relations Groups to provide election officials with Braille ballots, signage, instructions and other materials. Mr. White announced that Mr. Bundy was available to answer questions, and added that his wife was in labor in Rush Presbyterian Hospital. Vice Chairman Rednour moved to adopt the Braille documents proposal for a start-up program at a cost not to exceed \$5,000 in HAVA funds. Mr. Walters seconded the motion which passed 8-0. The Board congratulated Mr. Bundy on his new addition to his family and wished him well.

The Executive Director presented a proposal to educate the public on "early voting" and "grace period voting" which were passed by the General Assembly and which will impact the 2006 election. Mr. White introduced Mr. Al Manning a former Springfield journalist and professional communications consultant and presented his resume to the Board. Costs for this

proposal would be covered by HAVA funds at a maximum of \$5,000 for four months beginning January 1, 2006 and ending April 30, 2006. Mr. McGuffage moved to approve the contract. Mr. Walters seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Mr. White presented proposals for distribution of HAVA Funds and stated that sufficient Discretionary Funds providing relief for the 13 election jurisdictions that did not qualify for punch card buyout funds can be used for a wide variety of election improvement purposes. He proposed that the Board allocate \$3,003,879 in HAVA Discretionary Funds for distribution to DeKalb; Douglas; Franklin; Hamilton; Jasper; Madison; McDonough; McHenry; Schuyler; East St. Louis; Galesburg; Peoria; and Rockford jurisdictions. Mr. Keith moved to prepare a specific grant application for distribution of discretionary funds for jurisdiction that replaced their punch card systems prior to the November 2000 election in the amount they would have been eligible for had they not acted early. Mr. Schneider seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Director White reported that few applications for Accessible Voting Equipment Funds have been received, but he presented two proposals to distribute the \$31,250,000 of Requirements Funds which remains to be allocated and distributed to election jurisdictions. Mr. Schneider moved to grant an application to fulfill any HAVA requirement for the March 2006 primary such as purchase of additional equipment and upgrades to present systems to make them HAVA compliant; voter education; training of election staff and workers; improving polling places for voters with disabilities and provisional voting information requirements and such amount to be based on the voting age population of each jurisdiction. Mr. Porter seconded the motion which passed 8-0.

Mr. White presented the fiscal status reports and two year plan of staff activity for the Board's information.

The Chairman asked for a motion to recess to executive session to discuss campaign disclosure, personnel and pending litigation. Mr. Keith so moved, Mr. Porter seconded and the motion passed unanimously. The Board recessed at 3:45 p.m.

The Board returned to regular session shortly after 4:00 p.m. with all members present.

The Chairman asked for a motion regarding the Campaign Disclosure matters discussed in executive session. Mr. Porter moved to find that the complaints were filed on justifiable grounds; that the respondents file the required reports electronically; and no further action is required in *SBE v. Committee to Elect Joe Lewis*, 05 CD 075,; and *SBE v. Friends of Juan R. Thomas*, 05CD084. Vice Chairman Rednour seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

The Chairman announced that a teleconference meeting is scheduled for January 4, 2006 for the State Officers Electoral Board if necessary and the regular meeting of the State Board of Elections will be held on Thursday, January 19, 2006 in Springfield at 10:30 a.m. at which time they will also certify the ballot for the March, 2006 General Primary.

There being no further action required by the Board Vice Chairman Rednour moved to adjourn. Mr. Walters seconded the motion which passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 4:10 p.m.

DATED: December 29, 2005

Respectfully submitted,

Administrative Assistant to the Executive Director

Executive Director