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- AMENDED -

AGENDA
STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS
BOARD MEETING
Tuesday, June 18, 2013
10:00 a.m.

James R. Thompson Center – Room 9-040
Chicago, Illinois
and via videoconference
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Roll call.

1. Approval of the minutes from the May 20 meeting. (pgs.1-7)
2. Recognition of outgoing Board Member, Judith Rice.
3. Report of the General Counsel
 - a. Campaign Disclosure;
Motion to vacate board order
 - 1) *SBE v. We The People – Will County*, 24002, 13DQ146; (pgs.8-9)Motion for reconsideration
 - 2) *SBE v. Committee for John J. Curry*, 21011, 12MA106; (pgs.10-13)Appeals of campaign disclosure fines – new appeals – hearing officer recommendation appeals be granted
 - 3) *SBE v. Citizens for Darin LaHood*, 23532, 12AS071; (pgs.14-18)
 - 4) *SBE v. Friends of Chuck Erickson*, 24318, 13DQ164; (pgs.19-26)Appeals of campaign disclosure fines – new appeals – hearing officer recommendation appeals be denied
 - 5) *SBE v. Regular Republican Party of River Forest*, 226, 12MA095; (pgs.27-30)
 - 6) *SBE v. 42nd Ward Republican Organization*, 15431, 12SQ048; (pgs.31-34)
 - 7) *SBE v. 42nd Ward Regular Republican Organization*, 20312, 12SQ091; (pgs.35-38)
 - 8) *SBE v. 32nd Ward Regular Republican Organization*, 20557, 11MA105; (pgs.39-45)
 - 9) *SBE v. 1st Ward Democratic Committeeman Fund*, 21057, 12AM099; (pgs.46-49)
 - 10) *SBE v. Citizens for Michael Bram*, 22035, 12DQ101; (pgs.50-52)
 - 11) *SBE v. Joy Cunningham for Justice*, 23691, 12AM108; (pgs.53-64)
 - 12) *SBE v. Friends of Martin A. Blumenthal*, 23738, 13DQ139; (pgs.65-67)
 - 13) *SBE v. Citizens to Elect William S. Boyd*, 23872, 12MQ298; (pgs.68-70)
 - 14) *SBE v. Friends of Vivian Covington*, 24877, 13MA037; (pgs.71-75)

Appeals of campaign disclosure fines – new appeals – hearing officer recommendation appeals be granted and denied

- 15) *SBE v. Friends of Brian E. Sleet*, 22880, 13MA015; (pgs.76-80)
- 16) *SBE v. Joy Cunningham for Justice*, 23691, 12MA112; (pgs.81-89)

Other campaign disclosure items

- 17) Payment of civil penalties – informational; (pg.90)

Complaints following closed preliminary hearing (separate packet)

- 18) *SBE v. Friends of Mary Russell Gardner*, 13CD063; (pgs.1-3)
- 19) *Jones, Jr. v. Citizens for Dwight W. Welch*, 13CD125; (pgs.4-13)
- 20) *Halley v. Brummel*, 13CD126; (pgs.14-25)
- 21) *Jakobsze v. Beckman*, 113CD127; (pgs.26-34)
- 22) *Jakobsze v. Downers Grove Community Advocates*, 13CD128; (pgs.35-65)
- 23) *Woll v. Perkins*, 13CD131. (pgs.66-72)

- 4. Report of the Executive Director
 - a. 2013 Consent Decree update; (pg.91)
 - b. Candidate petition filing period; (attached)
 - c. Legislative update; (pgs.92-95)
 - 1) FY14 budget update; (oral report)
 - d. 2013 Heartland Conference; (pgs.96-98)
 - e. IVRS update – informational; (pgs.99-102)
 - f. Census data versus registered voters; (pg.103)
 - g. Fiscal status reports – informational;
 - 1) FY13 – month ending May 31; (pgs.104-111)
 - 2) FY13 – Help Illinois Vote Fund; (pgs.112-117)
 - h. Two year plan of staff activity for the months of June & July – informational. (pgs.118-120)
- 5. Follow up. (pg.121)
- 6. Comments from the general public. (pg.121)
- 7. Next regular Board meeting at 10:30 a.m. on Monday, July 1, 2013 in Springfield. (pg.121)
- 8. Executive session. (pgs.122-129)

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Chairman McGuffage, Vice Chairman Smart, Members of the Board
Executive Director Rupert T. Borgsmiller

From: Steve Sandvoss, General Counsel

Re: Closing of Office on November 29, 2013

Date: June 13, 2013

The filing period for candidate nominating petitions for the 2014 General Primary Election is no more than 113 and no less than 106 days prior to said Primary [10 ILCS 5/7-12(1)]. This year the first day to file is November 25 and the last day to file is December 2. Friday November 29 is the day after the Thanksgiving holiday, and falls within the above mentioned filing period. In past years, the State Board of Elections has closed both of its offices on that date in observance of Thanksgiving, even though it is not an official "State holiday" as provided in Section 1-6 of the Election Code. Unless the Board directs otherwise, it is the intention of the Executive Director of the SBE to follow past practice and close the office on the Friday after Thanksgiving. I believe such action is permissible under Section 7-12, as such statute only provides a minimum and maximum time frame in which petitions may be filed. It does not mandate that the SBE (or any filing office) must be open on all such days during which petitions may be filed. In fact, the only days that the office is required to be open for the acceptance of petitions is the first day (required by paragraph 6 of Section 7-12) and the last day (mandated by Section 1-4). Therefore, I believe it is within the Board's discretion to close the office on Friday, November 29. Staff will provide appropriate notice to potential filers, (website, press release, notice included with petition packet, etc.) alerting them to the office closure on that date.

Respectfully Submitted,

Steven S. Sandvoss, General Counsel