

STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS
Regular Meeting
Monday, July 3, 2017

MINUTES

PRESENT: William J. Cadigan, Chairman
John R. Keith, Vice Chairman
Andrew K. Carruthers, Member
Ian K. Linnabary, Member
Katherine S. O'Brien, Member
Charles W. Scholz, Member
Casandra B. Watson, Member

ABSENT: William M. McGuffage, Member

ALSO PRESENT: Steven S. Sandvoss, Executive Director
Bernadette Matthews, Asst. Exec. Director
Kenneth R. Menzel, General Counsel
Amy L. Calvin, Administrative Assistant III

Chairman Scholz opened the meeting by leading everyone in the pledge of allegiance.

Chairman Scholz noted that the swearing in of newly appointed and reappointed Members was the first order of business and introduced the Honorable Leslie Graves, Circuit Court Judge, to conduct the ceremony. Newly appointed Members Ian K. Linnabary and Katherine S. O'Brien recited the oath along with reappointed Members Charles W. Scholz and Casandra B. Watson.

A roll call was taken and six Members were present in the Springfield office and Member Watson was present in the Chicago office via videoconference. Member McGuffage was absent and Member Watson held his proxy.

The next order of business was the election of new board officers for the two year term beginning July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2019. Chairman Scholz nominated Member Cadigan to serve as Chairman and moved that the nominations cease. Member Carruthers seconded the motion which passed by roll call vote of 8-0.

Member Carruthers moved to nominate Member Keith to serve as Vice Chairman for the two year term beginning July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2019. Member Scholz seconded the motion which passed by roll call vote of 8-0.

Cris Cray gave a brief legislative update and said that a listing of updated budget bills and elections related legislation was distributed to the Board. Amendment #3 to Senate Bill 6 passed the House yesterday and the Senate was scheduled to meet today at Noon. Ms. Cray indicated that at this point it was a wait and see game as far as the passage of a budget.

Under comments from the general public, Carolyn Pointer was present in Springfield on behalf of the Illinois Lawyers for Good Government and in conjunction with Action for a Better Tomorrow. Ms. Pointer expressed their concerns and opposition to the request for voter information from the Presidential Advisory Commission on Election Integrity. Her testimony was read and incorporated into record.

James Allen, Communications Director for the Chicago Board of Election Commissioners was present in Chicago. Mr. Allen indicated that Lance Gough, Executive Director of the Chicago Board of Election Commissioners wished to extend his congratulations to outgoing Chairman Scholz and incoming Chairman Cadigan.

The General Counsel informed the Board that the agency has not yet received the request from the Presidential Advisory Commission on Election Integrity. He indicated that a meeting was scheduled for Wednesday with the Attorney General's office to discuss the request for voter information. The General Counsel said he would keep the Board updated and that the matter would be placed on the August meeting agenda.

With there being no further business before the Board, Member Scholz moved to adjourn until Tuesday, August 22, 2017 in Chicago. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 10:50 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Amy L. Calvin, Administrative Assistant II



Steven S. Sandvoss, Executive Director