## **Minutes**

## Athens County Board of Elections Biennial Organizational Meeting

March 2, 2021, 3:30pm

The Athens County Board of Elections held a Biennial Organizational Meeting March 2, 2021 at 3:30 p.m. at the Athens City Building in Council Chambers. The meeting was called to order by Aundrea Carpenter-Colvin, board member with most seniority. Roll Call: John Haseley, Kate McGuckin, Gary Van Meter, Aundrea Carpenter-Colvin all present. Also present at the meeting were Debbie Quivey, Director; Lori Baldridge, Ohio Secretary of State Liaison; Helen King, League of Women Voters; Cole Behrans, Athens Messenger; Ben Peters, Athens News; Debbie Perry; and Beth Ferrier

Mrs. Carpenter-Colvin inquired of Mr. Van Meter and Ms. McGuckin if, as recently appointed board members, they had finalized their paperwork and been duly sworn in. Both confirmed that they had.

Mrs. Carpenter-Colvin led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mrs. Carpenter-Colvin asked for a nomination for a Temporary Chair. Mr. Van Meter moved to appoint Aundrea Carpenter-Colvin as Temporary Chair. Seconded by Mr. Haseley. Motion carried.

Mrs. Carpenter-Colvin, acting as Temporary Chair, asked for a nomination for the position of Director. Mr. Haseley requested to enter Executive Session. Lori Baldridge contacted the Secretary of State and it was determined that although Executive Session was not an item on the original agenda, the board could proceed with the motion.

Mr. Haseley moved that the board go into executive session to discuss pending personnel matters. Seconded by Ms. McGuckin. Vote: Mr. Haseley-yes, Ms. McGuckin-yes, Mr. Van Meter-yes, Mrs. Carpenter-Colvin-yes.

The board entered Executive Session at 3:39 pm

Executive Session ended and the board went back on the record at 4:06 pm.

Mr. Van Meter moved to appoint Debbie Quivey as Director. Seconded by Mrs. Carpenter-Colvin. Vote: Mr. Haseley-yes, Ms. McGuckin-yes, Mr. Van Meter-yes, Mrs. Carpenter-Colvin-yes.

Mrs. Carpenter-Colvin announced that the board had narrowed the applicants for Deputy Director down to two qualified individuals and asked for nominations for those two persons.

Mr. Haseley moved to appoint Tony Brooks to be Deputy Director. Seconded by Ms. McGuckin.

Mr. Haseley moved to appoint Carol Perry to be Deputy Director. Seconded by Mr. Van Meter.

Voting on Deputy Director nominations:

- 1. Mr. Haseley-Tony Brooks, Ms. McGuckin-Tony Brooks, Mr. Van Meter-Carol Perry, Mrs. Carpenter-Colvin-Carol Perry
- 2. Mr. Haseley-Tony Brooks, Ms. McGuckin-Tony Brooks, Mr. Van Meter-Carol Perry, Mrs. Carpenter-Colvin-Carol Perry
- 3. Mr. Haseley-Tony Brooks, Ms. McGuckin-Tony Brooks, Mr. Van Meter-Carol Perry, Mrs. Carpenter-Colvin-Carol Perry
- 4. Mr. Haseley-Tony Brooks, Ms. McGuckin-Tony Brooks, Mr. Van Meter-Carol Perry, Mrs. Carpenter-Colvin-Carol Perry (Discussion initiated by Mr. Haseley, all board members participated)
- 5. Mr. Haseley-Tony Brooks, Ms. McGuckin-Tony Brooks, Mr. Van Meter-Carol Perry, Mrs. Carpenter-Colvin-Carol Perry

With no affirmative 3 votes for either nominee, the decision will go to the Ohio Secretary of State, Frank LaRose.

Mrs. Carpenter-Colvin asked for a nomination for Board Chair. Mr. Haseley moved to appoint Kate McGuckin Chair. Seconded by Mr. Van Meter. Vote: Mr. Haseley-yes, Ms. McGuckin-yes, Mr. Van Meter-yes, Mrs. Carpenter-Colvin-yes.

Mrs. Carpenter-Colvin reminded everyone that the next Board Meeting will be March 18, 2021 at 3:30 pm in Council Chambers.

Mr. Van Meter moved to adjourn. Seconded by Mr. Haseley. Vote: Mr. Haseley-yes, Ms. McGuckin-yes, Mr. Van Meter-yes, Mrs. Carpenter-Colvin-yes.

Director

Chair

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