

Worcester County Board of Elections
201 Belt Street, Suite C, Snow Hill MD 21863

Via Conference Call
August 17, 2020

Attendees: **BOARD:**

Ed Rodier, Jr., President – Republican Board President Board Member
Kay Ann Hickman – Vice President – Democratic Board VP Board Member
Linda A. Moran – Secretary – Republican Secretary Board Member
Audrey Wahl – Republican Board Member
Martina Barnes-Wharton – Democratic Board Member

STAFF:

Patricia Jackson – Election Director
Teresa Riffin –
Lindsey West - Attorney
Guest: Lanny Hickman – Worcester County Democratic Central Committee

Welcome Guest and Board:

Meeting called to order at 9:12 am and Quorum Determined: A quorum was declared present, President Rodier called the meeting to order.

Approval of Minutes:

Motion was made by Mrs. Hickman and seconded by Mrs. Wahl to approve minutes of August 7, 2020.

Old Business – Early Voting Center will be Ocean City Convention Center in the 2nd floor Bay Front Ballroom accessible by stairs, escalator or elevator. Room will be sanitized every night after use. Temperatures will be taken at the front door by a person to be determined and if the temperature is 100.4 or more, the voter will not be allowed access to the building which is mandated by the Ocean City Council. Mask must be worn and no one can enter the building unless they have a mask by order of the Governor and the Ocean City Council. Masks will be provided to anyone that needs one. Room will be locked up nightly. Drop box will be outside so you can drive up and drop off your ballot and a security camera provided by the BOE will be placed by the drop box. Canopies will be allowed however no signs are to be placed in the landscaping areas.

Much discussion about the temperatures and mask. A motion was made by President Rodier to offer provisional ballot to anyone with a temperature since they cannot enter the building, and the same if you do not have a mask, Motion was second by Audrey. Motion carried.

Then the discussion continued. And a new motion was made by Ms. Moran as follows:

If a person arrives with a temperature, they will be offered a provisional ballot so they do not have to enter the building.

If a person does not have a Mask, they will be offered a Mask and if they refuse, then they cannot vote inside. No entry to building without a mask is mandated by the Ocean City Council and this is only for the voting site at the Convention Center, not the other polling places. Motion seconded by President Rodier and so carried. (Other vote centers will require a mask due to Governor's Order).

Discussion about provisional ballots for those with temperatures. An election Judge will need to handle and it will take about 30 to 45 minutes from start to finish (since judge will need to go to voting room and obtain proper ballot and paperwork).

Drop Box – Drop boxes in two location only Snow Hill on Belt St. and Ocean City Convention Center. 2 Judges will pick up the ballots and deliver to Snow Hill.

MAEO Conference is August 25th reminder. This conference will be held by Zoom and will not be in person.

Nov. 3rd Election Day Polling will be at the following locations if approved by the State

Stephen Decatur Middle School

Snow Hill Middle School

Pocomoke is between Community Center Pocomoke HS. (Ms. Jackson and Ms. Riggins will be looking at today to decide) and will let us know.


Roland E. Powell Convention Center

Motion to dismiss at 10:03 am by Ms. Hickman and second by Ms. Wahl.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned by Mr. Rodier at 10:03 am.

Respectfully submitted

Linda A. Moran, Secretary



President Edward Rodier, Jr