

**MADISON COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS
ABSENTEE SESSION
Board of Elections Conference Room
February 23, 2016
9:00 AM**

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Dyatt Smathers called the meeting of the Madison County Board of Elections to order at 9:14 a.m. at the Madison County Administrative Offices Building Board of Elections Office. In attendance were Jerry Wallin, Member; Kathy Ray, Director; Jacob Ray; Office Assistant; and Wade Gahagan, Elections Specialist. The meeting was recessed pending the arrival of Secretary Lewis.

Chair Smathers reconvened the meeting at 9:23 a.m. Ray Lewis, Secretary joined the meeting at this time.

AGENDA

Moved, Seconded (RL, JW) and Carried (3,0) to set the agenda.

CHAIR'S REPORT

Chair Smathers reported on the February 22nd Commissioner's Meeting. The Chair provided the Commissioners with information regarding the 2015-2016 budget and the likelihood of a request for additional funding for the June 7th Congressional Primary, Photo ID implementation, House Bill 2 and its impact on Primary Elections, Emergency Planning for polling sites, Primary ballot contests and candidates, elections staff trainings, and voter participation during the 2nd Primary Election of July 17, 2012.

NEW BUSINESS

Moved, Seconded (RL, JW) and Carried (3,0) to approve 5 civilian and 2 OVR absentee ballot applications.

Moved, Seconded (RL, JW) and Carried (3,0) to approve the Logic & Accuracy Media spreadsheet as presented.

Vacancies exist for poll workers at the Hot Springs, South Marshall, Ebbs Chapel, and Walnut Precincts. Party chairs are working to fill them.

Moved, Seconded (RL, JW) and Carried (3,0) to approve the recommendation of Republican Poll Worker Assistant Donna Crum for the South Marshall Precinct.

Moved, Seconded (RL, JW) and Carried (3,0) to approve the recommendation of Republican Poll Worker Assistant Paula Ford for the Beech Glen Precinct.

Moved, Seconded (RL, JW) and Carried (3,0) to approve the transfer of Republican Poll Worker Assistant Kay Kent from the Beech Glen Precinct to the Sandy Mush Precinct.

Moved, Seconded (JW, RL) and Carried (3,0) to approve the transfer of Democratic Poll Worker Assistant Steven McConnell to the Board of Elections One-Stop site.

Moved, Seconded (RL, JW) and Carried (3,0) to approve continuing with 6 poll worker assistants at the Beech Glen Community Center One-Stop site.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Next absentee meeting: Tuesday, March 1, 2016 at 9:00 a.m.

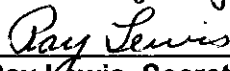
Moved, Seconded (JW, RL) and Carried (3,0) to adjourn at 10:05 a.m.



Kathy Ray, Director



Dyatt Smathers, Chair



Ray Lewis, Secretary