PRE-ELECTION MEETING OF THE DELAWARE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS April 25, 2023

Present:

Ashley Lunkenheimer, Chair, Delaware County Board of Elections
John P. McBlain, Member, Delaware County Board of Elections
Scott Alberts, Member, Delaware County Board of Elections
Jim Allen, Director of Elections
Manly Parks, Solicitor
Jackie Dunn, Voting Machine Warehouse
Crystal Winterbottom, Voter Registration
Lisa Jackson, Campaign Finance
Public Comment:
Caris Coker – Glen Mills
Joy Schwartz – Upper Darby

Ms. Lunkenheimer called the meeting to order.

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of the Minutes. Mr. Alberts moved to approve the March 28, 2023 minutes and Mr. McBlain seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Consideration of the Agenda. Mr. Allen presented the agenda and no changes were needed.

Public Comment was made on various topics.

Director of Elections Report. Mr. Allen spoke on the numerous preparations and activities under way for the 2023 Primary: opening of the Voter Service Center, two Special Elections (Radnor 4th Ward Commissioner and the 163rd State House Representative), equipment and ballot testing and a request for an increase in pay for Constables.

Polling Place Changes. Ms. Dunn suggested changes to polling places occur at Upper Darby 7-2 and Nether Providence Twp. 4-1 & 4-2. Mr. McBlain moved to approve the presented polling place changes and Mr. Alberts seconded the motion. Motion approved 3-0.

Solicitor Report. Mr. Parks gave an update on litigation with regards to date issues for vote by mail ballots. Mr. Parks also discussed current appealed litigation of nomination petitions.

Drop Box Status. Mr. Allen stated that as of the meeting the Media drop box is the only one open with the rest of the 38 to be opened May 1, 2023 as well as reminding voters that they can use any of the Delaware County Drop Box with regular pickups beginning after May 1, 2023. Mr. McBlain inquired about the recording of the drop boxes.

Campaign Finance. Mr. Allen stated there were no waiver requests at this time.

Next meeting date was discussed and is tentative for May 24, 2023 in the County Council Meeting Room to handle any provisional questions. No anticipation of any emergency meeting prior to the election day is anticipated.

Board recessed the meeting of the Board of Elections and called to order the Voter Registration Commission with Ms. Winterbottom reporting on the actions taken by her office and answered questions asked by the board.

Public Comment was heard.

The Election Board went into executive session. No action was taken during executive session. The Board adjourned.