



McDowell County Board of Elections

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Tom Cline
Della Watson

The McDowell County Board of Elections met Friday, January 24, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.

Members Present:

Dean Buff *DB*
Tom Cline *TC*
JR Hachadurian *JRH*
Della Watson *DW*
Kim Welborn, Director

The meeting was called to order.

The minutes of the previous meeting January 10, and January 14, 2020 were presented. Della Watson motioned to approve, seconded by Tom Cline. The motion carried.

Old Business:

New Business:

- 1) The updated Buffer Zone with the new Crooked Creek Fire Department was discussed. Tom Cline motioned to approve, seconded by Della Watson. The motion carried.
- 2) The testing of the voting equipment was discussed. Della Watson motioned to approve the staff complete the testing of the voting equipment for the entire year of 2020 elections, seconded by JR Hachadurian. The motion carried.
- 3) The MAT (Multi-assistance partisan team) names from the political parties were submitted. Ken Frisbee, (Unaff), Heather Haynes, (Dem), Bill Bach, (Rep), and Haskell Davis, (Rep). Tom Cline motioned to approve these names, seconded by Della Watson. The motion carried. Staff will conduct training of these individuals as soon as possible.
- 4) During the candidate filing period, the staff must sign and witness the notice of candidacy forms. The board must delegate authority to the staff to do so. JR Hachadurian motioned to approve, seconded by Tom Cline. The motion carried.
- 5) The procedures for counting absentee ballots at each absentee board meeting was presented. Della Watson motioned to approve, seconded by JR Hachadurian. The motion carried.
- 6) The 25 Student Election Assistants applications received from the Early College was presented and examined by the board. JR Hachadurian motioned to accept and allow the students to work at the polls on election day, seconded by Della Watson. The motion carried. Training for the students will be held at the college
- 7) The rules for opening the ballot box in case of the bin becoming too full to accept more ballots, or the use of the emergency ballot slot in case of repairs needed to the tabulator were presented and discussed. Della Watson motioned to approve, seconded by Tom Cline. The motion carried.
- 8) The meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Kimberly Welborn
Kimberly Welborn, Director

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