

BLAND COUNTY ELECTORAL BOARD
Bland County Voter Registration and Elections Office
PO Box 535
Bland, VA 24315
February 27, 2023

- Call meeting to order
 - Molly called the meeting to order at 2:00pm. In attendance: Molly Thompson-Chair, Brenda Thompson- Vice Chair, Dorothy (Dot) Kidd- Secretary, and Stacy Tibbs Grady- General Registrar and Director of Elections

- Approve agenda
 - Brenda made the motion to approve the agenda as is
 - Dot seconded the motion
 - All in favor, motion passed

- Approve minutes from February 1, 2023 meeting:
 - Brenda made the motion to approve the minutes from the 02/01/23 meeting
 - Molly seconded the motion
 - All in favor, motion passed

- Closed session: Locality Election Security Standards (LESS)

§ 2.2-3711. Closed meetings authorized for certain limited purposes.

-34. Discussion or consideration by the State Board of Elections or local electoral boards of voting security matters made confidential pursuant to § [24.2-410.2](#) or [24.2-625.1](#).

Brenda made a motion:

*****I move that the Electoral Board and Director of Elections of Bland County convene in closed session pursuant to section § 24.2-410.2 of the Code of Virginia for the purpose of discussing the Locality Election Security Standards (LESS); seconded by Molly.

Vote on the motion was as follows: Molly Thompson, Yes ; Brenda Thompson, Yes ; and Dorothy Kidd, Yes . The motion passed. Closed session start- 2:03pm.

Brenda made a motion:

*****I move that the Electoral Board and Director of Elections of Bland County certify that in the closed session just concluded the only matters discussed were the Locality Election Security Standards (LESS), and as identified in the motion to close the meeting pursuant to the Virginia Freedom of Information Act.; seconded by Molly.

Vote on the motion was as follows: Molly Thompson, Yes ; Brenda Thompson, Yes ; and Dorothy Kidd, Yes . The motion passed. Closed session end- 2:15pm.

- Salary supplement for General Registrar:
 - Brenda made a motion to approve a 10% supplement be added to the authorized salary for Stacy (General Registrar) and include this in the Fiscal Year 2024 budget request. The supporting information for this request will be in letter form authorized and signed by the Electoral Board on this date.
 - Dot seconded the motion
 - All in favor, motion passed

■ Registrar informational items

- Board of Supervisors Meeting (February 28, 2023), beginning at 5pm
 - Stacy informed the Board that the Board of Supervisor's meeting will include the Memorandum of Understanding between the Electoral Board, General Registrar, and the Board of Supervisors. The meeting will also include the request to create a full-time Chief Deputy Registrar position for the General Registrar's Office.

- Virginia Electoral Board Association Meeting- new officers will be elected at the annual meeting (March 26-27, 2023)
 - Stacy informed the Board that the hotel (Hotel Roanoke) where the VEBA annual meeting is being held has been fully booked since a few hours after registration began. The Board would not have to attend the full meeting to be eligible to attend the VEBA Business Meeting being held on March 27th.

- Annual GR/EB Training (July 20, 2023) and EB Bootcamp (March 25, 2023)
 - Stacy informed the Board that the annual training and Bootcamp will be recorded for those not able to attend in person.
 - Brenda (the Board member required to attend) and Stacy decided that they would prefer to view the recorded content rather than attend in person.

- March 16, 2023 VRAV Regional Meeting in Washington County
 - Stacy informed the Board that Tammy Alexander, Campaign Finance Manager at ELECT will be attending the meeting to provide campaign finance training to the Registrars.
 - Stacy will close the office to attend training per §24.2-411

■ Other business

- Set meeting date for the review/remediation plan for the LESS Security Standards and Voting Equipment Security Plan
 - Stacy will update the plans as required.
 - The Board set the meeting date/time for March 27, 2023 at 2:00pm.

■ Adjourn meeting

- There being no further business, Molly adjourned the meeting at 2:45pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Dorothy S. Kidd, Secretary
Electoral Board of Bland County