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Dorchester County Board of Elections and Registration

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Board of Elections Meeting Minutes
Thursday, March 21, 2024
4:45 p.m.
County Council Chambers, Summerville

Present: Mr. Bryan Black, acting chairperson; Ms. Queen Bowman; Ms. Cheryl Ewers; Mr. Joseph Debney; Mr. Christopher Hughes; Ms. Kizzie Scott, Executive Director; Ms. Meredith Murray, Deputy Director

*Absent: Mr. Rodney Profit
Guests: Ms. Vickie Westberg*

1. **Call to Order of board meeting-** *The meeting was called to order at 4:45 p.m. by acting chairperson, Mr. Bryan Black.*
2. **Approval of Agenda** – *Ms. Bowman made a motion, seconded by Mr. Debney, all in favor, to approve the agenda.*
3. **Review of previous minutes** – *Mr. Debney made a motion, seconded by Ms. Bowman, all in favor, to approve the February meeting minutes.*
4. **Public Comment** – *None.*
5. **Director's Report**
 - a. *Budget – Ms. Scott gave the board a copy of the FY 24/25 target budget. She went over line items that she requested an increase in funds. Those items included Rentals & Leases, Advertising, Printing & Binding, Travel, Office Supplies, Security, Signs, Fuel and Attorney Fees. The budget meeting is scheduled for March 27th.*
 - b. *SC House District 109/ Town of Summerville Special Elections– The special elections for SC House District 109 and Town of Summerville District 3 will be April 2nd. Early voting will be March 18th – March 29th. Christ Lutheran Church and Rollins Edwards Community Center will be the early voting locations. Certification for SC House 109 will be Friday, 5th. The Town of Summerville Commissioners will certify the Special District 3 election on Thursday, April 4th.*
 - c. *Bill H4590– House Bill 4590 will amend section 7-13-25 as it relates to early voting to extend the hours of operation for early voting for all elections to 7 p.m. The bill is currently in the senate committee.*
 - d. *Ethics Forms- The board was reminded that the deadline to submit their ethics forms is March 30th.*

- e. *Candidate Filing – Candidate filing opened March 16th at noon. To date, a total of 20 candidates have filed.*
 - f. *Manager of Voter Registration Position - Thirteen applicants applied for the Manager of Voter Registration position. Four candidates were interviewed. Ms. Scott said she hopes to select a candidate soon so the person can come on board sometime early April.*
 - g. *May 16th Meeting Change – Mr. Debney made a motion, seconded by Ms Bowman, all in favor, to change the meeting location for the May 16th meeting from Summerville to St. George. The meeting will follow the District Two School Referendum certification at 10:00 a.m.*
 - h. *EV & Elections Schedule – The board was given a schedule of all early voting and elections dates and times as scheduled.*
6. *Unfinished Business – There was no unfinished business.*
 7. *New Business - No new business came before the board.*
 8. *Adjournment – Mr. Debney made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Ms. Bowman, all in favor. The meeting adjourned at 5:40 p.m.*

Respectfully Submitted,

Meredith Murray


Mr. Bryan Black, Acting Chairperson