

MEETING OF THE
COMMISSIONERS OF ELECTIONS
HELD ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2008
AT 1:30 P.M.
42 BROADWAY, 6th FLOOR HEARING ROOM
NEW YORK, NY 10004

P R E S E N T: James Sampel, President
 Frederic Umane, Secretary

Commissioners Como, Dent, Graham, O'Connor, Polanco, Soumas,
Yennella

Marcus Cederqvist, Executive Director
George Gonzalez, Deputy Executive Director
Pamela Perkins, Administrative Manager
Steven H. Richman, General Counsel
Phil Donahue, Director, Personnel
John Ward, Finance Officer
Joseph LaRocca, Coordinator, Candidate Records Unit
Karen Viggiano, Consultant, Gartner
Gladys Fernandez, Technical Liaison, EVS
Yi Yu, Senior Computer Programmer, EVS
Philip Mione, Comp. Data Analyst, EVS
Elliot Borack, Agency Chief Contr. Office
John O'Grady, Chief Voting Machine Technician
Boris Pincus, HAVA Training Spec., EDO
Steve Thompson, HAVA Training Spec., EDO
Nicholas Bellucci, Admin. Asst, EDO
Juan Del Carmen Polanco, Admin. Asst, EDO
Antonia Figueroa, Poll Site Accessibility Unit
Rosanna Rahmouni, Coordinator, EDO
Jack Courtney, Temporary Attorney
Steven Denkberg, Counsel to the Commissioners

GUEST: Mark Herman
 Mary Lou Urban, League of Women Voters
 Andrea Senteno, Citizen Union

Alyssa Usui, Voters Assistance Commission
Teresa Hummel, Community Church of NY
Marjorie Gersten
Aaron Belisle, CIDNY

President Sampel called the meeting to order at 1:37 P.M.

The following were added to the meeting's agenda:

- Staten Island Personnel as Item #5; Queens Personnel as Item #6; and Manhattan Personnel as Item #7.

Commissioner O'Connor moved to approve the minutes of the January 15th, January 17th, January 22nd, January 24th, and January 25th meetings. President Sampel seconded the motion, which was adopted by a vote of 8 in favor (President Sampel, Secretary Umane, Commissioners Dent, Graham, O'Connor, Polanco, Soumas, Yennella) 1 abstention (Commissioner Como).

President Sampel tabled the minutes of January 29, 2008, February 6, 2008 and February 8, 2008. Commissioner O'Connor seconded the motion, which was adopted unanimously.

The Executive Director reported that:

- 1) The NYC Board must reconfirm our selection of the ES&S ballot marking device to OGS by close of business today.
- 2) The Board has been invited to participate in a Hearing conducted by the NYC Council Committee on Governmental Operations on Thursday, February 14, 2008 at 1:00 P.M. Staff recommends that the Board respectfully decline this invitation. The Commissioners did not object to this recommendation.

Finance Officer John Ward provided the Commissioners with the Comparative Expenditure Report dated February 12, 2008.

President Sampel moved to grant a 30-day sick leave extension to Luz Ortega, an Administrative Assistant in the Staten Island Office. Commissioner Yennella seconded the motion, which was adopted unanimously.

Commissioner Como moved to appoint Rose Ham, as a Korean Translator, effective immediately, to replace Michael Kim. Commissioner

O'Connor seconded the motion, which was adopted unanimously.

Commissioner Soumas moved to promote Parnell Sena, a Clerk in the Manhattan Office, to Administrative Assistant, to replace Jorge Ramirez, effective immediately. Secretary Umane seconded the motion, which was adopted unanimously.

President Sampel moved to convene an Executive Session to discuss personnel matters. Commissioner O'Connor seconded the motion, which was agreed to unanimously.

President Sampel reported that the following action was taken in Executive Session.

- 1) Unanimously approved that the Administrative Assistant position to which Parnell Sena was appointed to today is to be reassigned to the Manhattan Office from the Executive Office.

Commissioner Como moved to adjourn. Commissioner Yennella seconded the motion, which was adopted unanimously.

The President announced that the Commissioners will not meet on Tuesday, February 19, 2008.

The next Commissioner's meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 26, 2008 at 1:30 P.M.