

MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF ELECTIONS
IN THE CITY OF NEW YORK
HELD ON TUESDAY, MAY 30, 2017
AT 1:30 P.M.
42 BROADWAY, 6th FLOOR, COMMISSIONERS' HEARING ROOM
NEW YORK, NY 10004

PRESENT: President Frederic M. Umame
 Secretary Rosanna Vargas

Commissioners Jose Araujo, John Flateau, Michael Michel, Alan Schulkin,
Robert Siano, John Wm. Zaccone

Michael J. Ryan, Executive Director
Dawn Sandow, Deputy Executive Director
Pamela Perkins, Administrative Manager
Georgea Kontzamanis, Operations Manager
Steven H. Richman, General Counsel
Raphael Savino, Deputy General Counsel
Nina M. Crispino, Director, Personnel
Kenneth Moltner, Counsel to the Commissioners
Steven B. Denkberg, Counsel to the Commissioners

GUEST: Joseph LaRocca
 Rosemarie Hameed
 Katharine Loving, NYC CFB
 Kate Doran, LWVNYC
 Amanda Melillo, NYC CFB

President Umame called the meeting to order at 1:33 P.M.

Commissioner Flateau moved to adopt the minutes for the May 16, 2017 meeting. Commissioner Michel seconded the motion, which was unanimously adopted.

Mr. Ryan provided an update on the May 23, 2017 Special Election in the 30th State Senate District in Manhattan. The preliminary information follows:

- A total of 200 Portable Memory Devices (PMDs) were used for the Election Night Results Reporting (ENR) process;
- A total of 197 (98.5%) PMD sticks' data were uploaded for ENR process. The remaining PMDs will be picked up;
- Peak time for uploading the unofficial results was between 9:00 P.M. and 9:15 P.M. The uploading was finished by 9:40 P.M. Mr. Ryan noted that the ENR process is going very well;
- The Board's website received a total of 28,467 hits for the unofficial election results between May 23rd 9:00 P.M. to May 24th 9:00 A.M. The amount of phone calls to the Phone Bank were dropped to zero on Election Night as people were checking the website instead;

- There was 100% successful poll site connectivity with the tablets;
- There were a total of 925 interactions on the tablets;
- 343 poll workers checked-in on the tablets;
- 123 incident tickets were entered into the tablets which include requests for more poll workers, supplies, etc.;
- 240 tablet entries indicated that there were no issues at their poll site;
- 755 Absentee and/or Military ballots were received;
- 254 Affidavit and/or Special ballots were received;
- Out of the 72 poll sites open, there was a total of 44 ADA temporary ramp systems were installed at poll sites:
 - 21 installed by the vendor;
 - 10 installed by Board staff;
 - 13 installed by on-site staff.

Mr. Ryan reported that the Special Election was conducted very well and is in the process of being certified. Commissioner Flateau inquired about the preliminary unofficial results. Mr. Ryan reported that it appears there is an apparent winner who had approximately 8,000 ballots cast for him and the other candidates and write-in category each received a much lower amount. There were approximately 200,000 registered voters in the 30th

State Senate District. It was noted that the voter turnout was greater than expected. Mr. Ryan will provide another Special Election update at the next meeting.

President Umane noted that Commissioner Schulkin joined the meeting.

Commissioner Flateau moved to convene Executive Session for purposes of personnel. Commissioner Schulkin seconded the motion, which was unanimously adopted.

Following Executive Session, the open public meeting resumed and Mr. Ryan reported the following actions that were taken in Executive Session:

- I. The Commissioners granted 196 hours Advance of Time to Ellen Giwa, an Administrative Assistant in the General Office. Ms. Giwa's agency start date is September 8, 2008;
- II. The Commissioners granted 70 hours Advance of Time to Unique Simmons, a Temporary Clerk in the Bronx Office. Ms. Simmons' agency start date is August 18, 2013;

- III. Theresa Drake, an Administrative Assistant in the General Office, was promoted to the title of Project Coordinator, effective immediately, retroactive to Sunday, May 28, 2017;
- IV. The Commissioners granted 245 hours Advance of Time to Nancy McLaurin, an Administrative Associate in the General Office. Ms. McLaurin's agency start date is August 28, 2006;
- V. Ruben Diaz, III, was appointed as Senior Computer Programmer, at the outgoing salary of the vacant position. Mr. Diaz will work with the Personnel Department on a start date.

Commissioner Zaccone moved to adjourn the meeting. President Umane seconded the motion, which was unanimously adopted.

The next stated meeting of the Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, June 6, 2017 at 1:30 P.M.