

## Albemarle County Electoral Board

### In-person and Virtual Meeting

December 20, 2022

Location: Albemarle County Office Building, 5<sup>th</sup> Street

Attendance: Jim Heilman, Michael Rodemeyer, Sylvia Flood, Erin Davis, Lauren Eddy, Jonathan Gil, and Jeania Oliver

Guests: Clara Belle Wheeler – Albemarle Republican Party; Laurie Jones - Albemarle Democratic Party; Kerin Yates and Sue Lewis – League of Women Voters; Peter Wurzer; Kent Schlusset

The meeting began at 1:02 pm.

Sylvia Flood made the following statement: This meeting is being held pursuant to and in compliance with the Continuity of Government Ordinance adopted by the Albemarle County Board of Supervisors. Guests will have a maximum of three minutes to speak, either at the beginning or end of the meeting. The Board may waive the three minute rule. *(All were physically present, except for Kerin; Sue; Laurie, and Kent who were virtually present.)*

The agenda was unanimously adopted.

The minutes for the November 30 meeting were unanimously approved.

Ranked Choice Voting (RCV). Michael and Lauren announced that they were in a conference call on this subject with the Department of Elections (ELECT) and others. ELECT stated that they will be ready to provide complete guidance on this topic by February 2023 and that they may have several issues resolved in time for the November 2023 election. The Board agreed that Lauren should provide an update to the Board of Supervisors after receiving the February guidance.

Attorney General Inquiry. The Board reviewed Sylvia's draft of a letter to the Attorney General concerning Code Section 24.2-124.1 and how it is to be interpreted. Sylvia will edit it and send us a new draft.

Provisional Ballots and Poll Book. Jim noted that, in our rush to finish the provisional ballot meeting, we failed to produce a poll book showing the names of all voters whose provisional ballots we counted. We still need to do this. Sylvia presented and discussed a spreadsheet she created on provisional ballot acceptances and rejections by precinct.

New Board Member. Sylvia welcomed Clara Belle Wheeler to the Board, effective January 1, 2023. Further, she thanked Michael Rodemeyer (whose term ends December 31) for his outstanding service to the County and Board and assistance with things too numerous to mention.

Officers of Election. Sylvia stated that she wants to revisit how we conduct training, as well as the way we promote officers to be Chief Officers.

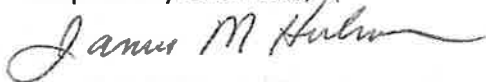
Report from Laurie Jones. Laurie discussed highlights of the thorough report of observations from Democratic Party observers at the November 8 General Election that she has provided us. One notable

highlight was that she requested that Chief Officers be required to work at least one day in Early-in-Person voting. Discussion ensued.

Hotwash (review of election with chiefs and assistant chief officers). Discussion was held on the upcoming hotwash on Saturday, January 14 at 10 am. Sylvia requested that we come up with 4 or so things that we can ask our officers to consider for discussion at the hotwash.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:08 pm. Afterwards a small celebration of Michael's term on the Board was held.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "James M. Heilman". The signature is written in dark ink and has a fluid, connected style.

James M. Heilman  
Secretary, Albemarle County Electoral Board