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Ballot Set for March Primary

(Columbus) The Franklin County Board of Elections certified candidates and issues for the March 15, 2016 primary this afternoon.

Petitions were certified for 426 candidates with 23 others denied certification due to a lack of valid signatures or because of errors made by the circulators. Five local tax issues and nine local liquor options were certified. Five other liquor options failed to make the ballot because of insufficient signatures. Unsuccessful petitioners have until Jan. 4 to file a protest with the board.

Primary voters will nominate candidates for president, Congress, state and county offices with winners advancing to the general election in November. Democrats and Republicans will elect candidates to serve on the central committees of their county party.

Grandview Heights will vote on a levy for current expenses. Westerville will have a fire levy. Blendon Township will have levies for fire and police protection. Mifflin Township will have a police levy as well.

Voters must be registered by Feb. 15 to be eligible for the primary. A complete list of the candidates and issues certified today is posted on our <u>Web site</u>.

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