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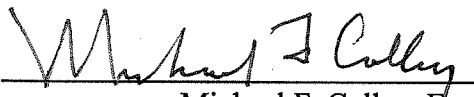
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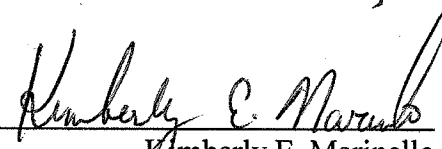
BY:



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Michael Stinziano, Director

1 ORIGINAL

2 PROCEEDINGS OF: FCBE Board Meeting

3 DATE OF DELIVERY: November 3, 2008

4 Franklin County
5 Board of Elections
6 280 East Broad Street
7 Columbus, Ohio 43215
8 By Ms. Suzanne Brown,
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1 APPEARANCES:

2 Office of the
3 Franklin County Prosecutor
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5 Columbus, Ohio 43215
6 By Mr. Patrick J. Piccininni,
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8 On behalf of the Board.
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CHAIRMAN PREISSE: We will come

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to order.

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MR. STINZIANO: Chairman

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Preisse?

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CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Here.

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MR. STINZIANO: Mr. Colley?

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MR. COLLEY: Here.

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MR. STINZIANO: Ms. Marinello?

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MS. MARINELLO: Here.

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MR. STINZIANO: Mr. Anthony?

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MR. ANTHONY: Here.

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MR. STINZIANO: The first item

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of business is approval of minutes from

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October 3rd and October 6th.

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MS. MARINELLO: Mr. Chairman, I

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move that the minutes of the meetings of

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the Board held on October 3rd and October

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6th be approved as submitted.

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MR. PREISSE: Is there a second?

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MR. COLLEY: Second.

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CHAIRMAN PREISSE: All in favor?

1 (Unanimous aye)

2 MR. STINZIANO: The motion
3 carries.

4 The next item is a policy
5 governing presiding judge and voting
6 location manager announcements for
7 availability of optical scan ballots
8 pursuant to Directive 2008-107.

9 The Secretary of State on
10 October 31st issued a directive requiring
11 that the Board adopt the policy. At a
12 certain point the announcement is made to
13 those waiting in line that there are both
14 the option of paper ballots and machines.

15 The Staff has put together a
16 recommendation for that policy, which is
17 before you.

18 MR. ANTHONY: Mr. Chairman, I
19 haven't read all of this.

20 Is there a synopsis?

21 MR. STINZIANO: The synopsis is
22 every half hour if there are 20 or more
23 people waiting to present identification,
24 the voting location manager will address

1 those in line and make a formal
2 announcement that includes, "In accordance
3 with Secretary of State Directive
4 2008-107, please be aware that you have
5 the choice of voting on the voting
6 machines or paper ballot. You will be
7 able to select your preference after you
8 have shown your I.D. and signed the
9 signature poll book. Votes cast using the
10 voting machines and paper ballots today
11 will be counted tonight. Thank you."

12 MR. ANTHONY: That's what they
13 are going to say?

14 MR. STINZIANO: If there are
15 more than 20 people every half hour, yes.

16 MR. ANTHONY: Twenty people
17 where?

18 MR. STINZIANO: In line at the
19 poll books.

20 MR. DAMSCHRODER: Waiting to
21 sign in at the poll books.

22 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Our concern
23 has been -- let me read this.

24 "In accordance with Secretary of

1 State Directive 2008-107, please be aware
2 that you have the choice to vote either on
3 the voting machines or by paper ballot.
4 You will be able to select your preference
5 after you have shown I.D. and signed the
6 signature poll book. Votes cast using the
7 voting machines and paper ballots today
8 will be counted tonight. Thank you."

9 I think it's clear in there we
10 want to avoid that issue of people jumping
11 ahead in line. They thought they could
12 avoid all that by voting on paper. And I
13 think this clearly states after you sign
14 in and after you show I.D.

15 We don't want anybody
16 interpreting this as I'm going to do that,
17 so I'm going to go ahead of the line.

18 MR. STINZIANO: The last line in
19 the policy also says, "Voters preferring
20 one voting method over another shall not
21 receive priority when queuing to present
22 identification and signing of the
23 signature poll book."

24 The Secretary was clear in her

1 directive that the intent of the directive
2 was that each voter does not need to be
3 asked their preference. It only should be
4 highlighted if there's another form
5 available when there is a line.

6 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Any other
7 thoughts or discussion on this matter?

8 MR. STINZIANO: Given that
9 training already occurred and the
10 complexity of determining, this kind of
11 eliminates poll workers having to -- this
12 will be the most fair application.

13 MR. ANTHONY: Mr. Chairman,
14 seeing that our Director and Deputy
15 Director have dutifully figured this out,
16 I move that the Board adopt the maximum
17 wait time policy as submitted.

18 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: I second the
19 motion.

20 MR. STINZIANO: All those in
21 favor?

22 (Unanimous aye)

23 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: The motion
24 carries.

1 MR. STINZIANO: The next item is
2 to move into executive session.

3 Is it the Staff's recommendation
4 that we have an executive session?

5 MS. MARINELLO: I move that the
6 Board adjourn into executive session to
7 consider the appointment, employment,
8 dismissal, discipline, demotion, or
9 compensation of a public employee.

10 MR. COLLEY: Second.

11 MR. STINZIANO: Roll call vote.
12 Mr. Colley?

13 MR. COLLEY: Yes.

14 MR. STINZIANO: Chairman
15 Preisse?

16 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Yes.

17 MR. STINZIANO: Mr. Anthony?

18 MR. ANTHONY: Yes.

19 MR. STINZIANO: Ms. Marinello?

20 MS. MARINELLO: Yes.

21 MR. STINZIANO: We are now in
22 executive session.

23 (Brief break in proceedings)

24 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Back on the

1 record.

2 MR. ANTHONY: Mr. Chair, I move
3 we come out of executive session.

4 No action was taken, no votes
5 were cast, and no motions were made.

6 MR. COLLEY: Second.

7 MR. DAMSCHRODER: Roll call.

8 MR. STINZIANO: Mr. Colley?

9 MR. COLLEY: Yes.

10 MR. STINZIANO: Chairman
11 Preisse?

12 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Yes.

13 MR. STINZIANO: Mr. Anthony?

14 MR. ANTHONY: Yes.

15 MR. STINZIANO: Ms. Marinello?

16 MS. MARINELLO: Yes.

17 MR. STINZIANO: We are back in
18 general session.

19 MR. DAMSCHRODER: The Staff
20 recommendation is that Aaron Sellers be
21 placed on ten working days of
22 administrative leave so that the Director
23 and Deputy Director can conduct an
24 investigation, to report back to the Board

