Page 1 BEFORE THE STATE OF OHIO FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS 4 IN RE: 5 Board Meeting Proceedings before Chairman William A. 9 Anthony, Jr., Board Members Michael F. 10 Colley, Carolyn Petree, and Kimberly 11 Marinello, and Director Matthew Damschroder, 12 taken at the Franklin County Board of 13 Elections, 280 East Broad Street, West 14 Conference Room, Columbus, Ohio, on 15 Wednesday, December 27, 2006, at 4:24 16 o'clock p.m. 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24

Page 2 1 APPEARANCES: Franklin County Prosecuting Attorney 373 South High Street 14th Floor Columbus, Ohio 43215 By Mr. Patrick J. Piccininni, On behalf of the Board. 

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- 2 PROCEEDINGS
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- 4 CHAIRMAN ANTHONY: I'd like to
- 5 call the Franklin County Board of Election's
- 6 meeting to order.
- 7 MR. DAMSCHRODER: Mr. Colley?
- 8 MR. COLLEY: Here.
- 9 MR. DAMSCHRODER: Ms. Marinello?
- MS. MARINELLO: Here.
- MR. DAMSCHRODER: Ms. Petree?
- MS. PETREE: Here.
- MR. DAMSCHRODER: Chairman Anthony?
- 14 CHAIRMAN ANTHONY: Here.
- MR. DAMSCHRODER: All members are
- 16 present, Mr. Chairman.
- 17 CHAIRMAN ANTHONY: Okay.
- MR. DAMSCHRODER: The first item
- 19 on the agenda, as the Board may be aware
- 20 from recent news reports, that last Friday
- 21 Carole Squire filed a contest of election
- 22 against Christopher Geer in the 10th
- 23 District Court of Appeals. A copy of the
- 24 complaint and all the attachments is

- 1 provided for you for your review and record.
- 2 The allegations contained in the
- 3 complaint are specific against the Franklin
- 4 County Board of Elections. And I would,
- 5 therefore, recommend that the -- while the
- 6 Board is not a named party -- that the Board
- 7 direct the Prosecuting Attorney to file a
- 8 motion to intervene so that the Board has
- 9 the opportunity to participate fully in this
- 10 litigation.
- 11 CHAIRMAN ANTHONY: Okay. I will
- 12 entertain a motion for that.
- MR. COLLEY: Mr. Chairman, I move
- 14 that the Franklin County Prosecuting
- 15 Attorney be directed to file a motion to
- 16 intervene on behalf of the Franklin County
- 17 Board of Elections in the Carole Squire
- 18 versus Chris Geer Contest of Election filed
- 19 by Attorney Percy Squire on Friday, December
- 20 22, 2006, in the 10th District Court of
- 21 Appeals.
- 22 CHAIRMAN ANTHONY: Is there a
- 23 second?
- MS. MARINELLO: Second.

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1 CHAIRMAN ANTHONY: Are there any
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- 2 questions, concerns about this?
- 3 I just have one, Matt. Is it a
- 4 concern that there was a lot of undervotes;
- 5 is what you're trying to say?
- 6 MR. DAMSCHRODER: Well, I think --
- 7 I would hate to speak for them, but I think
- 8 one of the allegations is that there are
- 9 more undervotes in either the paper or the
- 10 electronic ballots, I can't remember, as
- 11 opposed to the other form of voting.
- 12 CHAIRMAN ANTHONY: Okay. All
- 13 right. Any other questions?
- 14 (A vote was taken.)
- MR. DAMSCHRODER: And the motion
- 16 carries. And the Prosecuting Attorney will
- 17 probably file that motion tomorrow.
- The last grouping of items are
- 19 related to personnel and financial issues.
- 20 As you'll recall at the last Board meeting,
- 21 the Board granted personal leave to
- 22 full-time employees and also to increase
- 23 salaries based on the three percent given by
- 24 the county commissioners effective January

- 1 1. In reviewing those
- 2 resolutions, the Deputy Director and I would
- 3 recommend that we rescind those resolutions
- 4 and revote on them in a more specific manner
- 5 as outlined, so.
- 6 CHAIRMAN ANTHONY: Okay. Then,
- 7 we'll entertain a motion.
- 8 MS. MARINELLO: Mr. Chairman, I
- 9 move that the Board rescind its motions of
- 10 Friday, December 15, 2006, granting 32 hours
- 11 of paid personal leave for each full-time
- 12 employee and to full-time seasonal employees
- 13 Chris Bidwell, Kevin Braimer, and Sam
- 14 Breckenridge for use between Tuesday,
- 15 December 26, 2006, and Friday, January 5,
- 16 2007, and that the annual salaries of the
- 17 regular full-time employees of the Board
- 18 will be increased by three percent effective
- 19 January 1, 2007.
- 20 CHAIRMAN ANTHONY: Is there a
- 21 second?
- MR. COLLEY: Second.
- 23 (A vote was taken.)
- MR. DAMSCHRODER: And the next

- 1 series of motions will be replacement
- 2 resolutions to what we just rescinded.
- 3 CHAIRMAN ANTHONY: Okay.
- 4 MS. MARINELLO: Yes, Mr. Chairman,
- 5 I move that the Board grant 32 hours of paid
- 6 personal leave to Cindy Balach, Tim Beck,
- 7 Chris Bidwell, Kevin Braimer, Sam
- 8 Breckenridge, Barbara Burns, Karen Cotton,
- 9 Lynne Counts, Matt Damschroder, Mark Essary,
- 10 Beth Fields, Debbie Ford, Frank Gill,
- 11 Carolyn Gorup, Mary Hackett, Jane Hanley,
- 12 Howard Heard, Linda Hollen, Peggy Howell,
- 13 Margalyn Kisor, Renee Klco, Robin Link, Mike
- 14 Madden, Rose Martin, Donna Miller, Tina
- 15 Miller, Sandy Pasquinilli, Carla Patton,
- 16 Sonny Phaiphanya, Matt Rushay, Lisa See,
- 17 Gene Shell, Jr., Beverly Starghill, Darlene
- 18 Tompkins, Brenna Umbsteatter, Stan Wayne,
- 19 Todd Wedekind, Mike Wihl, Lillian Williams,
- 20 Marlene Writh, and Pat Woolard for use
- 21 between Tuesday, December 26, 2006, and
- 22 Friday, January 5, 2007, and that the annual
- 23 salaries of all regular full-time employees
- 24 of the Board be increased by three percent

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1 effective January 1, 2007.
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- 2 CHAIRMAN ANTHONY: What a
- 3 mouthful. Is there a second?
- 4 MR. COLLEY: Second.
- 5 (A vote was taken.)
- 6 CHAIRMAN ANTHONY: And to further
- 7 this resolution, I move that the Board grant
- 8 32 hours of paid personal leave to Suzanne
- 9 Brown for use between Tuesday, December 26,
- 10 2006, and Friday, January 5, 2007, and that
- 11 her annual salary be increased by three
- 12 percent effective January 1, 2007.
- 13 Is there a second?
- MS. PETREE: Second.
- 15 CHAIRMAN ANTHONY: We'll do a roll
- 16 call on that one?
- 17 MR. DAMSCHRODER: Correct. With
- 18 Mr. Colley abstaining on this one?
- 19 CHAIRMAN ANTHONY: Yes.
- MR. COLLEY: Yes.
- MR. DAMSCHRODER: So we'll do a
- 22 roll call with Colley abstaining.
- 23 Colley?
- MR. COLLEY: I abstain.

Page 9 MR. DAMSCHRODER: Petree? 2 MS. PETREE: Yes. MR. DAMSCHRODER: Marinello? MS. MARINELLO: Yes. MR. DAMSCHRODER: Anthony? CHAIRMAN ANTHONY: Yes. MR. DAMSCHRODER: Motion carries 8 with Colley abstaining as to the resolution. CHAIRMAN ANTHONY: All right. And 10 then I also move that the Board grant 32 11 hours of paid personal leave to David Magers 12 for use between Tuesday, December 26, and 13 Friday, January 5, 2007, and that his annual 14 salary be increased by three percent 15 effective January 1, 2007. Is there a second? 17 MR. COLLEY: Second. 18 CHAIRMAN ANTHONY: And, again, 19 we'll do the roll call vote. 20 MR. DAMSCHRODER: We'll do the 21 roll call on this with Petree abstaining. 22 Mr. Colley? 23 MR. COLLEY: Yes. 24 MR. DAMSCHRODER: Ms. Marinello?

- 1 MS. MARINELLO: Yes.
- 2 MR. DAMSCHRODER: Ms. Petree?
- 3 MS. PETREE: Abstain.
- 4 MR. DAMSCHRODER: Mr. Anthony?
- 5 CHAIRMAN ANTHONY: I say yes.
- 6 MR. DAMSCHRODER: Motions carries.
- 7 CHAIRMAN ANTHONY: Motions
- 8 carries.
- 9 And then I also move that the
- 10 Board grant 32 hours of paid personal leave
- 11 to Harold Fielder and Dennis White for use
- 12 between Tuesday, December 26, and Friday,
- 13 January 5, 2007, and that their respective
- 14 annual salaries be increased by three
- 15 percent effective January 1, 2007.
- 16 Is there a second?
- MS. PETREE: Second.
- 18 CHAIRMAN ANTHONY: Another roll
- 19 call vote.
- 20 MR. DAMSCHRODER: With Marinello
- 21 abstaining on this.
- Mr. Colley?
- MR. COLLEY: Yes.
- MR. DAMSCHRODER: Ms. Marinello?

- 1 MS. MARINELLO: I abstain.
- 2 MR. DAMSCHRODER: Ms. Petree?
- 3 MS. PETREE: Yes.
- 4 MR. DAMSCHRODER: Chairman
- 5 Anthony?
- 6 CHAIRMAN ANTHONY: Yes.
- 7 MR. DAMSCHRODER: And then the
- 8 final resolution, members of the Board, I
- 9 use my personal cell phone for work. I pay
- 10 about ninety bucks a month out of my own
- 11 pocket for about 1,000 minutes with free
- 12 evenings and weekends, and over the course
- 13 of the last year in my public work, I
- 14 exceeded my personal expenses and would ask
- 15 for the reimbursement for the thousands of
- 16 hours of personal cell phone use --
- MS. PETREE: And ear surgery too.
- 18 MR. DAMSCHRODER: -- that's right
- 19 -- for public purpose.
- 20 CHAIRMAN ANTHONY: And you can
- 21 provide --
- MR. DAMSCHRODER: I've provided
- 23 documentation already to the County Auditor.
- 24 CHAIRMAN ANTHONY: Okay. I will

- 1 entertain a motion.
- 2 MR. COLLEY: I move that the Board
- 3 reimburse Matt Damschroder in the amount of
- 4 \$1,059.20, for the personal cell phone
- 5 expenses used for the public's purpose in
- 6 the course of the exercise of his official
- 7 duties as Director of the Franklin County
- 8 Board of Elections for the period January 1,
- 9 2006, through December 31, 2006.
- 10 CHAIRMAN ANTHONY: And I will
- 11 second that motion.
- 12 (A vote was taken.)
- 13 MR. DAMSCHRODER: The motion
- 14 carries. That's all the business the staff
- 15 has to bring before the Board today.
- 16 CHAIRMAN ANTHONY: Any other
- 17 business? If not, we'll entertain a motion
- 18 to adjourn?
- MS. MARINELLO: I move that we
- 20 adjourn.
- 21 CHAIRMAN ANTHONY: And a second?
- MS. PETREE: Second.
- 23 CHAIRMAN ANTHONY: And we stand
- 24 adjourned.

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