


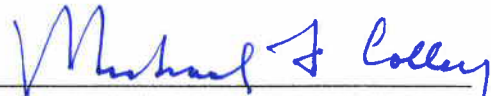
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MINUTES OF THE MEETING ON  
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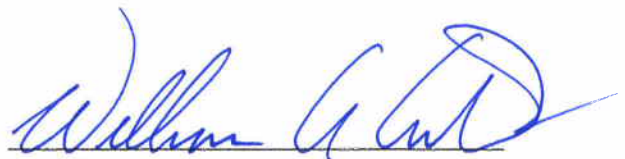
  
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Michael F. Colley, Esq.

  
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Zachary Manifold

ATTEST:

  
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William A. Anthony, Jr., Director

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BEFORE THE BOARD OF ELECTIONS

OF FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO

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IN RE:

Board Meeting

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Proceedings before Chairman Douglas J. Preisse, Board Members Michael F. Colley, Kimberly E. Marinello, and Zachary E. Manifold, with Director William A. Anthony, Jr., and Deputy Director Nathan Burd, taken at the Franklin County Board of Elections, 280 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio, on Tuesday, July 5, 2011 at 3:14 o'clock p.m.

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DIRECTOR ANTHONY: I would like to call the Franklin County Board of Elections meeting to order. I will do the roll call. Kimberly Marinello?

MS. MARINELLO: Here.

DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Zachary Manifold?

MR. MANIFOLD: Here.

DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Douglas Preisse?

CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Here.

DIRECTOR ANTHONY: And Michael Colley?

MR. COLLEY: Here.

DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Everyone here and accounted for, sir, Mr. Chair. First is approval of the minutes for the meetings of May 24th and June 6th. A motion will be in order.

MS. MARINELLO: Mr. Chairman, I move the Board approve the minutes of the May 24th and June 6, 2011 Board meetings.

DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Is there a

1 second?

2 MR. MANIFOLD: Second.

3 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: All those in  
4 favor, say aye.

5 (All say aye.)

6 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: The minutes are  
7 approved. The next item on the agenda is, I  
8 guess we have to set the hours for early  
9 voting for the August Special. We're looking  
10 at doing it on August 2 -- I mean, when does  
11 --

12 DEPUTY DIRECTOR BURD: July 30th,  
13 the last Saturday.

14 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Just July 30th?  
15 From eight o'clock to noon. It's a Special,  
16 I think that would be great. Do you want to  
17 add anything to that?

18 DEPUTY DIRECTOR BURD: Valleyview  
19 and Pickerington local schools have issues.  
20 We're talking about a very small number of  
21 eligible voters in the county. Also, based  
22 on the legislation that just passed, this  
23 will be the last time we're open the Saturday  
24 before an election.

1           But because that law doesn't take  
2 effect for a while, Secretary of State's  
3 office confirmed that we can still be open  
4 this time. So that's why we're doing it.

5           MR. MANIFOLD: Are we usually open  
6 that time anyway? Don't we usually have  
7 something like a last-minute training the  
8 last Saturday?

9           DEPUTY DIRECTOR BURD: I know we've  
10 been open that time in recent years just for  
11 the early voting. I'm not sure if we had any  
12 other reason.

13          DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Yeah, just for  
14 early voting.

15          MR. MANIFOLD: Oh, I thought that  
16 was the Saturday where people can come in and  
17 check stuff out. I thought I remembered this  
18 from my training of being a pollworker.

19          DEPUTY DIRECTOR BURD: We have  
20 things going on the last weekend outside the  
21 office, Practice Makes Perfect, which is  
22 where pollworkers go to simulate election  
23 day, but I don't think that there's any other  
24 reason for us to be open other than early

1 voting.

2 MR. MANIFOLD: Mr. Chairman, I move  
3 that the Board of Elections be open for early  
4 in-person voting from eight a.m. to noon,  
5 Saturday, July 30th.

6 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Is there a  
7 second?

8 MR. COLLEY: Second.

9 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Motion carries.  
10 The next item, every election we have to do  
11 an allocation of voting machines for the same  
12 Special. Is there a packet for them on that?

13 DEPUTY DIRECTOR BURD: There's a  
14 page attached to the agenda that shows the  
15 two locations just asking that you allocate  
16 three machines to each location that will put  
17 us well within where we need to be to handle  
18 the voters on that day and just the six  
19 machines total.

20 MS. MARINELLO: Mr. Chairman, I move  
21 that the Board of Elections approve the  
22 allocation of six voting machines for the  
23 August 2, 2011 Special Election.

24 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Is there a

1 second?

2 MR. COLLEY: Second.

3 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: All those in  
4 favor, say aye.

5 (All say aye.)

6 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: The next item is  
7 a request from the prosecutor. Nathan?

8 DEPUTY DIRECTOR BURD: Yeah. We had  
9 a couple calls last month that came in close  
10 to each other asking if a filer of a local  
11 liquor option could file their petitions and  
12 then wait until sometime further down the  
13 road to actually place it on the ballot.

14 What typically happens is they file  
15 and then we put it on the next available  
16 ballot because that's normally what a filer  
17 would want to have happen. But we researched  
18 the question and can't really find the answer  
19 as to whether or not we could hold petitions  
20 and then put it on two or three elections  
21 later.

22 So what we'd like to do is just  
23 request in writing from the prosecutor's  
24 office an opinion so that we know if we ever

1 get an option filed with a request to hold  
2 for an election or two whether or not we're  
3 able to do that. I don't know why someone  
4 would file at that point, but it's a question  
5 that came in twice so we'd like to just  
6 request formally an opinion from the  
7 prosecutor so we handle it correctly if it  
8 does happen.

9 At this point for this upcoming  
10 general, nobody's done this but we just want  
11 to be careful in case the request does come  
12 in that we know what we're doing.

13 MR. MANIFOLD: Mr. Chairman, I move  
14 that the Board request an opinion in writing  
15 from the Franklin County Prosecutor's office  
16 regarding whether or not the Board can place  
17 a local option question on the ballot at a  
18 date to be determined by the parties filing  
19 the petition.

20 MS. MARINELLO: Second.

21 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: All those in  
22 favor, say aye.

23 (All say aye.)

24 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: The next item are



1 some personnel matters. Is there a need to  
2 go into Executive Session? If not, the first  
3 item on the agenda is to -- we're looking at  
4 giving the Fiscal Department some assistance  
5 and this is a republican move so I'll let you  
6 handle this.

7 DEPUTY DIRECTOR BURD: Yeah.  
8 Requesting that Aaron Sellers be transferred  
9 to the Fiscal Department. Aaron works in our  
10 PEO Division right now. He's been with the  
11 Board since early 2007. I think this will  
12 line up with his interests a little bit  
13 better.

14 He'll have more responsibility and  
15 it's an area that we really need help with  
16 with the day-to-day management of that  
17 office. So we'll be breaking down what his  
18 responsibilities will be compared to the  
19 other two up there, but we think this is a  
20 good move for the Board and for all involved  
21 to go ahead and add an additional staff  
22 person there.

23 With a budget the size of ours, we  
24 only have two people working on financial

1 matters and it's an area where I think we  
2 could afford to have additional staff help.  
3 So that's the rationale for it.

4 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Any questions?  
5 We will entertain a motion.

6 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: That's where we  
7 are if you're amenable to that, sir.

8 MR. COLLEY: Mr. Chairman, I move  
9 that the Board of Elections transfer Aaron  
10 Sellers to the Fiscal Department as a fiscal  
11 officer at a rate of pay of \$23.63 effective  
12 Monday, July 11, 2011.

13 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Is there a  
14 second?

15 MR. MANIFOLD: Second.

16 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: All those in  
17 favor, say aye.

18 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: I'm going to  
19 abstain because he works for me separately.  
20 Can we do a roll call on that, please?

21 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: We'll do a roll  
22 call vote. Kim Marinello?

23 MS. MARINELLO: Yes.

24 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Zach Manifold?

1 MR. MANIFOLD: Yes.

2 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Douglas Preisse?

3 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Abstain.

4 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: And Michael  
5 Colley?

6 MR. COLLEY: Yes.

7 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Motion carries.

8 DEPUTY DIRECTOR BURD: Next hire  
9 that we're asking for is to hire Randy  
10 Tarr -- I think his actual name is Frank  
11 Randy Tarr -- as a clerk in the Absentee  
12 Department. Randy has been a seasonal  
13 employee for us for a long time. He runs our  
14 ReliaVote machine which is the machine we use  
15 to process all the absentee mail.

16 We always need to have one  
17 Republican and one Democrat who do that job.  
18 Randy's done it well. The manager of our  
19 Absentee Department has been requesting this  
20 for a while and we would like to go ahead and  
21 bring Randy on full-time so that he'll be  
22 able to work with us this General Election.

23 MR. MANIFOLD: This is just a move  
24 -- you guys have an open spot at the

1 warehouse?

2 DEPUTY DIRECTOR BURD: What we're  
3 doing, the Aaron Sellers move is actually  
4 filling the warehouse vacancy. We're going  
5 to move that to Fiscal. We really didn't  
6 need to fill that warehouse vacancy. It's  
7 been vacant for six months and they've  
8 already been distributing that work.

9 What Randy will be filling is the  
10 vacancy created by Aaron and in our PEO  
11 Department Aaron's responsibilities will be  
12 divided up among current staff and seasonals.  
13 The Fiscal Department really can't be  
14 assisted by seasonal workers, but the PEO  
15 Department can. So that's how we're doing  
16 it. We're not creating a new position.  
17 Everything is filling a hole.

18 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Is there a  
19 motion?

20 MR. COLLEY: Mr. Chairman, I move  
21 that the Board appoint Frank Randy Tarr as a  
22 clerk in the Absentee Department at a rate of  
23 pay of \$17.99 per hour effective Tuesday,  
24 July 12, 2011.

