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APPEARANCES:

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On behalf of the Board.

ALSO PRESENT:

Ms. Suzanne Brown,
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Monday Afternoon Session,
July 7, 2014.

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DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Good afternoon. I would like to call the Franklin County Board of Elections meeting to order. I will perform the roll call.

Kimberly Marinello.

MEMBER MARINELLO: Here.

DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Gregory Haas.

MEMBER HAAS: Here.

DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Douglas Preisse.

CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Here.

DIRECTOR ANTHONY: And Bradley Sinnott.

MEMBER SINNOTT: Here.

DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Mr. Chairman, we are all here and accounted for.

The -- unless you want to add some other items to the agenda we would like to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel issues so unless you have -- we have got folks.

CHAIRMAN PREISSE: That's where we left off --

DIRECTOR ANTHONY: That's where we left

1 off.

2 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: -- last week, so I
3 think that was and is our intention.

4 MEMBER SINNOTT: Okay. Pursuant to the
5 relative -- relative portion of the Ohio Revised Code
6 I move we go into Executive Session.

7 MEMBER HAAS: Second.

8 MR. ANDERSON: You have to state with
9 specificity. 121.22(F)(1)?

10 MEMBER SINNOTT: Somebody better check
11 what the statutory provision is so I can recite it
12 with specificity.

13 MR. ANDERSON: Yes.

14 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Do you have last
15 week's agenda there?

16 DEPUTY DIRECTOR WALCH: I'm looking.

17 MS. BROWN: 121.22(G)(1).

18 MEMBER SINNOTT: Yes. Pursuant to Ohio
19 Revised Code 121.22(G)(1), I move the Franklin County
20 Board of Elections go into Executive Session to
21 discuss the investigation of charges or complaints
22 against a public employee. No official action shall
23 be taken during the Executive Session.

24 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Is there a second?

1 MEMBER MARINELLO: Second.

2 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: I will do a roll call.

3 Kimberly Marinello.

4 MEMBER MARINELLO: Yes.

5 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Gregory Haas.

6 MEMBER HAAS: Yes.

7 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Douglas Preisse.

8 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Aye.

9 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: And Bradley Sinnott.

10 MEMBER SINNOTT: Yes.

11 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: We now stand in

12 Executive Session.

13 (Executive Session was held.)

14 MEMBER SINNOTT: I move that the Franklin

15 County Board of Elections adjourn from Executive

16 Session and note that no votes or official actions

17 were taken during Executive Session.

18 MEMBER HAAS: Second.

19 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Kimberly Marinello.

20 MEMBER MARINELLO: Here, yes.

21 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Gregory Haas.

22 MEMBER HAAS: Here.

23 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Yes?

24 MEMBER HAAS: Yes.

1 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Douglas Preisse.

2 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Yes.

3 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: And Bradley Sinnott.

4 MEMBER SINNOTT: Yes.

5 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: We now stand out of
6 Executive Session.

7 MEMBER SINNOTT: And I move we recess for
8 a period not to exceed 15 minutes.

9 MEMBER MARINELLO: Second.

10 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: All those in favor.

11 We stand in recess.

12 (Recess taken.)

13 MEMBER SINNOTT: Pursuant to Ohio Revised
14 Code Section 121.22(G)(1), I move that the Franklin
15 County Board of Elections go into Executive Session.

16 MEMBER HAAS: Second.

17 MEMBER SINNOTT: Hold on. I'm pausing
18 here. We had gone into recess. We are back from
19 recess. Hold on just a second.

20 I withdraw the motion that I just started
21 and now move --

22 MEMBER HAAS: I withdraw my second.

23 MEMBER SINNOTT: And now move that the
24 Franklin County Board of Elections adjourn its recess

1 and resume its regular Public Session.

2 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Is there a second?

3 MEMBER MARINELLO: Second.

4 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Does this take a roll
5 call vote?

6 DEPUTY DIRECTOR WALCH: I don't think you
7 need a roll.

8 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: All those in favor.
9 Motion carries.

10 MEMBER SINNOTT: Now, pursuant to Ohio
11 Revised Code Section 121.22(G)(1), I move that the
12 Franklin County Board of Elections go into Executive
13 Session to discuss the investigation of charges or
14 complaints against a public employee. No official
15 actions will be taken during the Executive Session.

16 MEMBER MARINELLO: Second.

17 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Kimberly Marinello.

18 MEMBER MARINELLO: Yes.

19 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Greg Haas.

20 MEMBER HAAS: Yes.

21 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Brad -- Douglas
22 Preisse.

23 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Yes.

24 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Bradley Sinnott.

1 MEMBER SINNOTT: Yes.

2 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: We now stand in
3 Executive Session.

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5 MEMBER SINNOTT: I move that the Franklin
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7 Session and note that no votes or official actions
8 were taken during the Executive Session.

9 MEMBER HAAS: Second.

10 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Is there a second?

11 MEMBER HAAS: Second.

12 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Kim Marinello.

13 MEMBER MARINELLO: Yes.

14 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Greg Haas.

15 MEMBER HAAS: Haas, yes.

16 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Douglas Preisse.

17 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Yes.

18 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: And Brad Sinnott.

19 MEMBER SINNOTT: Yes.

20 We are now out of Executive Session.

21 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: I believe that we have
22 a report, Bill, a timely report from you, perhaps?

23 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: I received a text and
24 communication from Todd Wedekind that he will resign

1 effective today.

2 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Okay.

3 MEMBER SINNOTT: Well, in light of that
4 report, I move that the Franklin County Board of
5 Elections accept immediately the resignation from
6 Todd Wedekind.

7 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Is there a second?

8 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Second.

9 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Should do roll call
10 vote?

11 Kimberly Marinello.

12 MEMBER MARINELLO: Yes.

13 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Greg Haas.

14 MEMBER HAAS: Yes.

15 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Douglas Preisse.

16 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Yes.

17 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: And Bradley Sinnott.

18 MEMBER SINNOTT: Yes.

19 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Motion carries.

20 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: I would like to as
21 Chair of the Board ask the Director and Deputy
22 Director to advise us in substantive fashion at the
23 next regular Board meeting as to practices and
24 procedures that this Board may consider and implement

1 to improve our recordkeeping as particularly relates
2 to employee attendance and performance.

3 We've talked about the fact the imminent
4 move affords us an opportunity to examine all
5 practices top to bottom, and certainly in light of
6 recent closed deliberation and consideration, I think
7 we certainly -- we should ask you guys to do that for
8 us so the Board can consider how to improve those
9 kinds of operations around this Board.

10 Any other thoughts from other Board
11 Members?

12 MEMBER HAAS: I appreciate that question,
13 and I think that, you know, we have obviously
14 multiple obligations, most importantly to the public.
15 We also have one to our employees, and I think we as
16 a Board, I mean, all of us have a duty to have a -- a
17 recording mechanism we can count on and a way of
18 keeping track of -- of our employees' hours both from
19 the public standpoint but also in the defense of our
20 employees and I think that we -- I think we all
21 recognize that Doug at one point used the phrase
22 there's like truck driver kinds of hours. There is
23 kind of obviously a lot of different kinds of hours
24 that we use, the Board.

1 We have to be rec -- we have to recognize
2 that flexibility but that doesn't mean that when we
3 have that kind of flexible schedule, we can't also
4 have a detailed schedule that both holds people
5 accountable and something that we as a Board can look
6 at and really get our arms around and not have to
7 wrestle around, you know, with records a year and a
8 half later that really don't exist.

9 MEMBER SINNOTT: Well, all employers deal
10 with attendance control issues and there's an
11 opportunity for every organization to improve its
12 attendance control practices.

13 What we are talking about doing is
14 improving ours on a going-forward basis. I don't see
15 any reason that we couldn't have a report from the
16 management of the Board about recommending
17 improvements in our practices by the next
18 regularly-scheduled Board meeting which would be the
19 first Monday in August.

20 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Great idea.
21 Gentlemen, can you work on that? That would be
22 helpful to us.

23 DEPUTY DIRECTOR WALCH: You will have it.

24 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Okay. Any further

1 business?

2 MEMBER SINNOTT: I move we adjourn.

3 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Is there a second?

4 MEMBER MARINELLO: Second.

5 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: We stand adjourned.

6 MEMBER HAAS: Do we have to vote on it?

7 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: All in favor.

8 (Thereupon, the meeting was concluded at

9 5:38 p.m.)

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CERTIFICATE

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct transcript of the proceedings taken by me in this matter on Monday, July 7, 2014, and carefully compared with my original stenographic notes.

Karen Sue Gibson, Registered
Merit Reporter.

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