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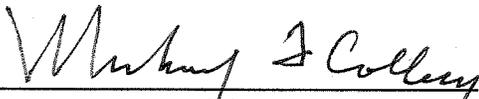
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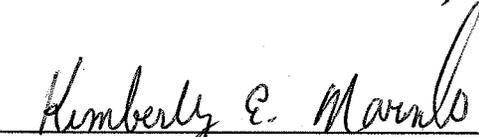
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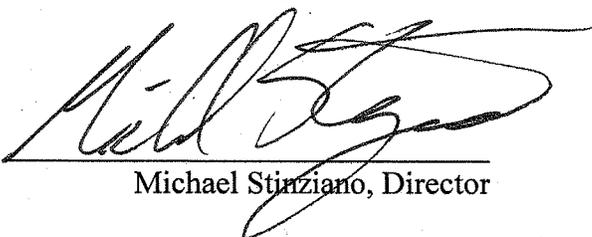
  
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13 Mr. Matthew Damschroder, Deputy Director  
14 Mr. Eric Nickolas, Regional Liaison  
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4 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Mr. Director and  
5 deputy director, are we all ready?

6 MR. DAMSCHRODER: I think we're ready  
7 to begin.

8 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Okay. And I think  
9 we should call roll, as long as you're ready.

10 MR. STINZIANO: Mr. Colley?

11 MR. COLLEY: Here.

12 MR. STINZIANO: Chairman Preisse.

13 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Here.

14 MR. STINZIANO: Mr. Anthony?

15 MR. ANTHONY: Here.

16 MR. STINZIANO: Ms. Marinello.

17 MS. MARINELLO: Here.

18 MR. STINZIANO: First item on our  
19 agenda for the special meeting Friday, October  
20 24th, is voting machine allocation for November  
21 4th, 2008.

22 Before you all is the director and  
23 deputy director's recommendation for updating the  
24 allocation. The Board had previously approved a

1 draft allocation that took into effect the  
2 Secretary of State's directive and the Board's  
3 waiting line study.

4 This, as promised at the previous  
5 approval, took into a better effect the final  
6 registration numbers, less absentee requests that  
7 we had, as well as better captures the ballot and  
8 line.

9 The waiting line study candidate  
10 generalities, now we know specifically how large  
11 each precinct's ballot length is, so this is an  
12 update of the allocation and the director and  
13 deputy director's final recommendation.

14 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: What are the four  
15 factors listed in the Secretary of State's  
16 directive again?

17 MR. STINZIANO: Ballot length,  
18 registration numbers, problems at previous  
19 elections.

20 MR. DAMSCHRODER: And was absentee the  
21 other one? I think it was.

22 MR. STINZIANO: Absentee sounds  
23 right. I don't know if Mr. Nickolas has a -- do  
24 you remember the fourth?

1 MR. NICKOLAS: I don't have a copy of  
2 that with me.

3 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: What are  
4 represented here in terms of the significant  
5 changes?

6 MR. STINZIANO: And it just depends  
7 what precinct you're looking at. But if you look  
8 at the last three past the black line where you  
9 have current registration and ballot length above  
10 base, 1.0 represents a baseline ballot length.

11 And so where there were additional  
12 issues, questions, that extended the ballot  
13 line. It's captured in there. And so in certain  
14 precincts gained additional machines and other  
15 precincts had some removed.

16 And it just kind of depends where it's  
17 located and how many people voted absentee -- not  
18 voted absentee, requested absentee ballots.

19 MR. ANTHONY: Mr. Chair, this doesn't  
20 cover in-person votes?

21 MR. STINZIANO: It does.

22 MR. ANTHONY: It does? Is that part  
23 of the absentee numbers, then?

24 MR. STINZIANO: Yes. Absolutely.

1 MR. ANTHONY: Okay. All right.

2 MR. STINZIANO: And so, for example,  
3 we had one precinct that normally had, I think,  
4 1200 people in it; and after absentee numbers  
5 were factored in, it was down to 400.

6 So that was a precinct that went from  
7 14 to four. There was just no reason to have 14  
8 machines at a place with only 400 voters plus.

9 MR. ANTHONY: So they could actually  
10 train even more --

11 MR. STINZIANO: This would be the  
12 final snapshot. In order for us to be able to  
13 get all the machines out and in place on election  
14 day, this would be the final snapshot.

15 Numbers could increase more. Our  
16 history has been 85 percent absentee ballot  
17 return rate, so we feel this is a good  
18 representation in terms of what we can actually  
19 capture as close to the election as possible.

20 MR. ANTHONY: So the date of this  
21 capture was what?

22 MR. DAMSCHRODER: I think it was  
23 Sunday night. I think.

24 MR. ANTHONY: Sunday night?

1 MR. DAMSCHRODER: I think it was  
2 through Sunday night.

3 MR. STINZIANO: And we did go back  
4 with the academics, who did the original waiting  
5 time study, to have them crunch all of these  
6 numbers in. So it's based on their formula.

7 MR. ANTHONY: Mr. Chair, I had another  
8 question.

9 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Um-hmm.

10 MR. ANTHONY: This ballot length above  
11 base, what is that exactly?

12 MR. DAMSCHRODER: It's based -- the  
13 baseline is the five state issues plus all of the  
14 obviously presidential, Congressional,  
15 legislative and county-wide candidate contests;  
16 although, we didn't include the Hughes Blue state  
17 Senate contest only because it's only a third of  
18 the county. It's just one contest.

19 So baseline is all those contests plus  
20 the five state issues. Then it increases from  
21 there on that percentage basis as a result of  
22 additional questions that appear on the ballot.

23 So the six Columbus bond issues, a  
24 school district question, a charter amendment,

1 like in White Hall. Or in the case of in  
2 Columbus, 45(H). And two precincts in  
3 Clintonville. All of that plus four or six local  
4 liquor options.

5 MR. ANTHONY: Okay. I was wondering.  
6 Because I saw one on page 6 that had 1.923. That  
7 was a highest.

8 MR. DAMSCHRODER: That's probably  
9 45(H).

10 MR. ANTHONY: Yeah. It said, park  
11 trails, apartment, clubhouse.

12 MR. DAMSCHRODER: I think that's  
13 45(H).

14 MR. ANTHONY: Yeah. That's a big one,  
15 huh?

16 MR. DAMSCHRODER: But it says also one  
17 of the longer ones because they have a charter  
18 commission question where voters, I think, can  
19 select up to 15 candidates, so.

20 MR. ANTHONY: Okay.

21 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Any other thoughts  
22 or questions on this?

23 MR. ANTHONY: No, sir.

24 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Well, it's a bit

1 science and a bit art, right?

2 MR. DAMSCHRODER: I think the good  
3 news for this election is that it's more science  
4 than art, and I think that Dr. Ted Allen and his  
5 team from Ohio State and Sagata feel very  
6 confident that the methodology is defensible from  
7 a scientific standpoint, and they feel very  
8 comfortable about that, based on their experience  
9 in queuing, theory, and studies in arrival on  
10 service times.

11 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: I'm going to look  
12 at my precinct and see what you did to me. It  
13 looks satisfactory. I waited for three hours  
14 last time, exactly three hours.

15 Did you look yours up?

16 MR. ANTHONY: I don't know how.

17 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: You don't know  
18 where you vote?

19 MR. ANTHONY: I don't know where I  
20 vote.

21 MR. DAMSCHRODER: He's so used to  
22 voting absentee.

23 MR. ANTHONY: No, I vote at Vets  
24 Memorial.

1 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Do you?

2 MR. DAMSCHRODER: 25,000 every closest  
3 race?

4 MR. ANTHONY: Yeah.

5 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Mr. Colley, any  
6 thoughts or questions?

7 MR. COLLEY: No.

8 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: All right. I think  
9 you're ready.

10 MS. MARINELLO: Mr. Chairman, I move  
11 that the Board approve the recommendation of the  
12 deputy director and director to allocate the  
13 entire Franklin County Board of Elections  
14 iVotronic inventory of 4,639 ES&S DRE iVotronic  
15 machines for election day based on the proposed  
16 allotment before us.

17 MR. COLLEY: Mr. Chairman, I second  
18 Ms. Marinello's motion.

19 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Okay.

20 MR. STINZIANO: All in favor?

21 (Board members in favor of the motion  
22 so indicated.)

23 MR. STINZIANO: None opposed.

24 The next item on the agenda is the

1 challenge of right to vote and correction of  
2 registration list.

3 We have a number of challenges, the  
4 first of which was filed by Jerry L. McAfee  
5 against Timothy Moody.

6 The background is that Timothy Moody  
7 registered in 2004 with a federal postcard. He  
8 voted from Canada since then -- or in '04. And  
9 everything that we've received since or mailed to  
10 that address has been returned.

11 Mr. McAfee's claim is that Timothy  
12 Moody does not live at that address, and it's the  
13 staff's recommendation that we uphold the  
14 challenge.

15 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: All right. Any  
16 thoughts? Sounds well done.

17 MS. MARINELLO: Mr. Chairman, I move  
18 that the Board grant the challenge of right to  
19 vote and correction of registration list filed by  
20 Jerry L. McAfee of 2145 Keltonshire Avenue,  
21 Columbus, Ohio, 43229, against Timothy Moody,  
22 purportedly of 2145 Keltonshire Avenue, Columbus,  
23 Ohio, 43229, and order that Timothy Moody's  
24 registration be immediately cancelled in Franklin

1 County and his name stricken from the  
2 registration list.

3 MR. COLLEY: Second.

4 MR. STINZIANO: All in favor?

5 (Board members in favor of the motion  
6 so indicated.)

7 MR. STINZIANO: None opposed.

8 The second one we have is a challenge  
9 of right to vote and correction registration  
10 filed by Peggy Hull against German Cabrera.  
11 Mr. Cabrera registered this year, and we have no  
12 records or any voting history.

13 It's the staff's recommendation that  
14 we not cancel but move Mr. Cabrera to pending  
15 status. Because if we remove him from the poll  
16 votes, it's going to require a provisional ballot  
17 to be passed on election day.

18 And that way we can then do an  
19 additional search if, indeed, someone does cast a  
20 provisional ballot.

21 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: And he registered  
22 this --

23 MR. STINZIANO: In 2008.

24 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: And do we know the

1 methodology by which he registered?

2 MR. STINZIANO: He registered through  
3 the Secretary of State, which I think just means  
4 that the card was submitted through the Secretary  
5 of State's Office and then came to us. He has  
6 never wrote in, in Franklin County.

7 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: All right.

8 MS. MARINELLO: I move that the Board  
9 deny the challenge of right to vote and  
10 correction of registration list filed by Peggy  
11 Hull of 1150 Trentwood Road, Columbus, Ohio,  
12 43221, against German Cabrera, purportedly of  
13 1150 Trentwood Road, Columbus, Ohio, 43221, and  
14 order that German Cabrera's registration be  
15 placed in pending status for the registration  
16 list.

17 MR. COLLEY: Second.

18 MR. STINZIANO: All in favor?

19 (Board members in favor of the motion  
20 so indicated.)

21 MR. STINZIANO: None opposed.

22 The next one is filed by Gary L. Jones  
23 against Gary Jones. This was an ACORN  
24 registration. The address of the challenged is

1 Gary L. Jones' work address and office location.  
2 It's the staff's recommendation that we do cancel  
3 that registration and remove from our rolls.

4 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: And this is not the  
5 first one of these we've seen where an ACORN  
6 submitted registration with somebody's name or  
7 substantially similar but a work address was  
8 listed.

9 MR. STINZIANO: And it won't be the  
10 last one we see today.

11 MR. PICCININNI: Do we have any idea  
12 of who submitted this on behalf of ACORN? Does  
13 ACORN know who submitted this one?

14 MR. DAMSCHRODER: No, they do not.  
15 And as you recall, after the problems that the  
16 State experienced in 2004 with ACORN, that the  
17 General Assembly passed a law requiring  
18 individuals who are receiving compensation to  
19 conduct voter registration, that those  
20 individuals also sign the registration card.

21 That statute was struck down by the  
22 Northern District Federal Court here in Ohio in  
23 2006, and so there is not a requirement for a  
24 paid or any other registrar to also sign the card

1 of the applicant.

2 MR. PICCININNI: And ACORN doesn't  
3 keep any of these records. They don't keep an  
4 internal check as part of their procedures?

5 MR. DAMSCHRODER: That would be a  
6 question for ACORN.

7 MR. PICCININNI: But they have not  
8 told us who submitted this.

9 MR. DAMSCHRODER: Correct.

10 MS. MARINELLO: Mr. Chairman, I move  
11 that the Board grant the challenge of right to  
12 vote and correction of registration list filed by  
13 Gary L. Jones of 1503 Commonwealth Drive,  
14 Blacklick, Ohio, 43004, against Gary Jones,  
15 purportedly of 175 South Third Street, Columbus,  
16 Ohio, 43215, and order that Gary Jones'  
17 registration be immediately cancelled in Franklin  
18 County and his name stricken from the  
19 registration list.

20 MR. COLLEY: Second.

21 MR. STINZIANO: All in favor?

22 (Board members in favor of the motion  
23 so indicated.)

24 MR. STINZIANO: None opposed.

1                   The next one is also an ACORN  
2 registration challenged -- submitted by Eric Dean  
3 Ostrem against Eric D. Ostrem, which also is a  
4 work address that was provided. And it's staff  
5 recommendation that we grant the challenge and  
6 uphold and remove Eric D. Ostrem from the  
7 registration.

8                   CHAIRMAN PREISSE: And what was the  
9 origin of this one?

10                  MR. STINZIANO: It was filed by Eric  
11 D. Ostrem. It came challenging Eric D., and Eric  
12 D. was an ACORN registration.

13                  CHAIRMAN PREISSE: It was an ACORN  
14 registration? Okay.

15                  MR. STINZIANO: That is Mr. Ostrem's  
16 medical building and office for the address  
17 used.

18                  CHAIRMAN PREISSE: All right. Anybody  
19 seeing a pattern develop here?

20                  MS. MARINELLO: I move that the Board  
21 grant the challenge of right to vote and  
22 correction of registration list filed by Eric  
23 Dean Ostrem of 2607 Welsford Road, Columbus,  
24 Ohio, 43221, against Eric D. Ostrem, purportedly

1 of 3363 Tremont Road, Columbus, Ohio, 43221, and  
2 order that Eric D. Ostrem's registration be  
3 immediately cancelled in Franklin County and his  
4 name stricken from the registration list.

5 MR. COLLEY: Second.

6 MR. STINZIANO: All in favor?

7 (Board members in favor of the motion  
8 so indicated.)

9 MR. STINZIANO: None opposed.

10 The next is a challenge filed by Ross  
11 LaParna against Reena Ferrero. The claim is that  
12 Ferrero did not live at that residence. She  
13 registered in 1994, last voted in 2004, and we've  
14 had no activity since at that address.

15 It's staff's recommendation that we  
16 uphold the challenge and remove Ms. Ferrero from  
17 our roll.

18 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Okay.

19 MS. MARINELLO: I move the Board grant  
20 the challenge of right to vote and correction of  
21 the registration list filed by Ross LaParna of  
22 7540 Alpath Road, New Albany, Ohio against Reena  
23 Ferrero, purportedly at 7540 Alpath Road, New  
24 Albany, and order that Reena Ferrero's

1 registration be immediately cancelled in Franklin  
2 County and his name stricken from the  
3 registration list.

4 MR. COLLEY: Second.

5 MR. STINZIANO: All in favor?

6 (Board members in favor of the motion  
7 so indicated.)

8 MR. STINZIANO: None opposed.

9 The next one was filed by Roger  
10 P. Hankle against Alfred Baker. Mr. Hankle says  
11 that Mr. Baker does not reside at the address  
12 provided.

13 In 2004, Mr. Baker became inactive on  
14 our registration files, so it's staff  
15 recommendation that you uphold the challenge and  
16 remove him from our voter registration rolls.

17 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Okay.

18 MR. ANTHONY: Was this an ACORN one?

19 MR. DAMSCHRODER: No.

20 MR. STINZIANO: No. We've done all  
21 the ACORN ones we have today.

22 MS. MARINELLO: I move that the Board  
23 grant the challenge of right to vote and  
24 correction of registration list filed by Roger

1 P. Hankle of 2923 Brandon Road, Columbus, Ohio,  
2 43221, against Alfred Baker, purportedly of 2923  
3 Brandon Road, Columbus, Ohio, 43221, and order  
4 that Alfred Baker's registration be immediately  
5 cancelled in Franklin County and his name  
6 stricken from the registration list.

7 MR. COLLEY: Second.

8 MR. STINZIANO: All in favor?

9 (Board members in favor of the motion  
10 so indicated.)

11 MR. STINZIANO: None opposed.

12 Mr. Hankle also has our final  
13 challenge filed against Viviane Baker with  
14 similar circumstances. Viviane we had in 2006 at  
15 that address, but we currently have her on an  
16 active status.

17 So it's the Board's recommendation  
18 that we uphold the challenge and remove Viviane  
19 Baker from our registration list as well.

20 MS. MARINELLO: I move that the Board  
21 grant the challenge of right to vote and  
22 correction of registration list filed by Roger  
23 P. Hankle of 2923 Brandon Road, Columbus, Ohio,  
24 43221, against Viviane Baker, purportedly of 2923

1 Brandon Road, Columbus, Ohio, 43221, and order  
2 that Viviane Baker's registration be immediately  
3 cancelled in Franklin County and his name  
4 stricken from the registration list.

5 MR. COLLEY: Second.

6 MR. STINZIANO: All in favor?

7 (Board members in favor of the motion  
8 so indicated.)

9 MR. STINZIANO: None opposed.

10 That's all the challenges we have.

11 The next issue --

12 MR. ANTHONY: Wait a minute. I've got  
13 a question for you guys. Have we -- you know, I  
14 know in the past we've brought ACORN in here and  
15 talked to them about doing a better job of  
16 registering folks to vote. Did we do that this  
17 year?

18 MR. DAMSCHRODER: Our staff, led by  
19 Renee Cloe in the Voter Services Department, held  
20 regular meetings either in person or by phone  
21 with ACORN.

22 Often, it was every week to review any  
23 problems that we were seeing, if there was a  
24 pattern of circulators forgetting to have the

1 voters sign or provide their date of birth or if  
2 we were seeing a pattern of any particular  
3 problem of any particular type.

4 So I think based on our experience in  
5 '04, that regular accountability at a staff level  
6 has helped to reduce some of the problems that we  
7 would have otherwise seen from ACORN, based on  
8 the experience of other counties, from what they  
9 were seeing this year.

10 MR. ANTHONY: So it helped out some?

11 MR. DAMSCHRODER: I think so.

12 MR. ANTHONY: Yeah. Compared to what  
13 we probably had a couple of years ago.

14 MR. DAMSCHRODER: Right. Exactly.  
15 And they involved counsel on their side early on,  
16 Don McTigue, to sit down with them as well to  
17 help build some local processes. And I think  
18 having that additional legal infrastructure on  
19 their side was helpful as well, through  
20 Mr. McTigue.

21 MR. ANTHONY: All right. Thank you.

22 MR. STINZIANO: The next item is  
23 discuss a correction of voter registration  
24 policy.

1 MR. DAMSCHRODER: Yeah, that's the  
2 single sheet that you have before you.

3 From time to time, as you know,  
4 individuals either when they get a voter  
5 acknowledgment card, you know, with a change of  
6 address or when they go to the website to look up  
7 their polling location are also interested in what  
8 their current political affiliation is with the  
9 Board of Elections.

10 Most people are surprised to find that  
11 they're unaffiliated because they have political  
12 persuasions but they just didn't vote at the most  
13 recent partisan primary.

14 What does sometimes happen as a result  
15 of that review, the voter finds out that the  
16 Board of Elections has them recorded as a party  
17 with which they did not vote in the primary  
18 election and based on a review of our records,  
19 it's very clear that the poll workers did record  
20 a party affiliation with them but the voter  
21 insists that that's not the party ballot that  
22 they voted.

23 In the past, what we've asked voters  
24 in those situations to do is simply send us a

1 letter indicating that they did, indeed, vote for  
2 party X but that the poll workers errantly  
3 reported them as party Y.

4           And Director Stinziano and I feel that  
5 it's wise to have a written policy adopted by the  
6 Board in place and to ask these individuals who  
7 may find themselves in the situation from time to  
8 time of having an incorrect party affiliation,  
9 based on the ballot they voted in the primary, to  
10 have them actually send us a notarized statement  
11 as opposed to just a letter that they drafted at  
12 their kitchen table.

13           So this policy would allow folks to  
14 make those kind of amendments. Important to note  
15 that the change would be electronic only. We  
16 would not be altering or amending the original  
17 documents completed by the voters or the poll  
18 workers, and we would attach a copy of the  
19 notarized letter to the electronic records so  
20 that there would be that electronic paper trail.

21           These would be when they're filed.  
22 And, again, it's very periodic. It would be  
23 brought before the Board at regular Board  
24 meetings for the Board to actually vote on one by

1 one, instead of having them done at the staff  
2 level.

3 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: How many of these  
4 do we commonly encounter?

5 MR. DAMSCHRODER: Not very many. I'm  
6 aware of, I think, two right now, and that's, I  
7 think, within the last six months, so.

8 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: And if --

9 MR. DAMSCHRODER: Three, I apologize.

10 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: I suppose we could  
11 assist the voter with a sample letter.

12 MR. DAMSCHRODER: Yes. And that's  
13 part of the policy as well. At the very end in  
14 the last paragraph, the Board authorizes the  
15 director and deputy director to prescribe a form  
16 for the voters' use. And, obviously, we will do  
17 that with counsel's input and sign off as to  
18 form.

19 MR. PICCININNI: As to form.

20 MR. ANTHONY: Mr. Chair, just -- have  
21 other boards done something similar?

22 MR. DAMSCHRODER: I don't really know  
23 what other boards are doing to address this  
24 matter.

1 MR. ANTHONY: Do you have any idea?

2 MR. NICKOLAS: This is brand new.

3 MR. ANTHONY: Okay. All right. I  
4 love it when we break ground with new things.

5 MR. DAMSCHRODER: Innovators.

6 MR. ANTHONY: Innovators, yeah. I  
7 have no other questions about this. I think it's  
8 smart that we do it, kind of be ahead of stuff  
9 that can happen.

10 So with that, Mr. Chair, I move that  
11 the Board adopt the correction of voter  
12 registration policy as submitted.

13 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: And I will second  
14 that motion.

15 MR. STINZIANO: All in favor?

16 (Board members in favor of the motion  
17 so indicated.)

18 MR. STINZIANO: None opposed.

19 The next item is to discuss election  
20 day procedures. We had requested that we have  
21 the opportunity to discuss election day, if we  
22 see lines beyond a certain point, what actions we  
23 can instruct our poll workers to take above and  
24 beyond what's currently prescribed and directed

1 in Ohio law.

2 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Do you wish to  
3 speak to that?

4 MR. ANTHONY: Oh, yeah.

5 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Oh, this is your  
6 idea.

7 MR. ANTHONY: Yeah, I put that on the  
8 agenda for today, Mr. Chair. And one of the  
9 concerns that was raised for having -- that we  
10 all think about doing this is, in the event  
11 that -- in some of the polling locations, if we  
12 have an unfortunate situation where the lines  
13 look like they're going to be over a half-hour  
14 long, that we ought to have a way to try to  
15 alleviate anybody that don't want to wait in that  
16 long line in case they want to go to work, take  
17 care of issues or whatever.

18 And since we do have a sufficient  
19 supply of paper ballots at all of our voting  
20 polling locations, that it would be a good thing  
21 for us to make that announcement to folks  
22 standing in line, giving them that option, if  
23 they want to, then take a paper ballot. Or if  
24 they want to just stay in line and vote on the

1 electronic machines. Just as a way to keep  
2 things moving, keep the lines going.

3 And I thought that bringing that up at  
4 the Board, we could -- that would help get the  
5 word out as well to the talk about that we do  
6 have two ways of voting. We have the paper  
7 ballots and we have the electronic machines.

8 Which, I think the electronic machines  
9 are fine, and I think they work dandy. But just  
10 in case somebody don't want to sit for that, you  
11 know, 37 minutes or whatever, that that option  
12 could be made available.

13 And that, Mr. Chair, was the reason  
14 that I thought we should discuss this.

15 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Your unending  
16 interest in the convenience of the voters. I'd  
17 be very interested in counsel's thoughts. We  
18 might be bumping up into --

19 MR. PICCININNI: Well, it's a couple  
20 of issues that come up to mind. A, at what point  
21 do we judge -- are you going to judge the wait?  
22 If you're judging the wait before the voter  
23 checks in, you can't give them a ballot until  
24 they've checked in. So we can't issue the

1 ballots beforehand.

2 Two, how are you going to notify the  
3 voters of their rights for second-chance voting  
4 and over and undervotes? You're not going to  
5 have means to do that there.

6 MR. ANTHONY: The ballots are going to  
7 be there.

8 MR. PICCININNI: The ballots are going  
9 to be there. When an individual is voting on the  
10 machine, the over and under voting situation  
11 taken care of by the machine, how do you -- you  
12 don't have precinct count optical scan. They've  
13 got to come back here.

14 If the voter overvotes the ballot,  
15 then we kickback to the directive and that line  
16 is not going to count for the voter. If the  
17 voter makes a mistake, how are you going to  
18 notify the voter of that?

19 I mean, how are you going to -- here's  
20 the questions, what point do we judge the  
21 one-half hour? That's the issue. If you're  
22 judging the one-half-hour before they've checked  
23 in, you can't give them a ballot anyway because  
24 they haven't checked in yet.

1           If it's after the check-in, then the  
2 line should only be three minutes or four  
3 minutes, maybe no more than 10-minutes long at  
4 that point.

5           And we also have double the amount of  
6 machines that we had in 2004, and I don't think  
7 we're going to see those at the same situation.

8           MR. ANTHONY: Well, the fact is, we  
9 will have paper ballots at all of these  
10 locations. And if a person requests a paper  
11 ballot, then we're going to have to them them one  
12 anyway. And they will know, you know -- and I'm  
13 quite sure -- have we put notification in all of  
14 the --

15           MR. DAMSCHRODER: We're following the  
16 Secretary of State directive and posting four  
17 posters in each voting location.

18           MR. ANTHONY: And those posters will  
19 advise them that those votes will actually be  
20 sealed up and -- or how detailed are they?

21           MR. STINZIANO: The posters, from what  
22 we've seen, correct this if I'm wrong, just say,  
23 you have the option of voting on either DRE  
24 machine or voting by paper.

1           Someone elects to go paper, they will  
2 go to the paper ballot station where we'll have  
3 paper ballot judges. If it's a regular paper  
4 ballot, not a provisional, we'll give them a tan  
5 envelope to place the ballot in.

6           Because we are a DRE county, we're not  
7 required by law to do precinct-based  
8 overvote/undervote scans.

9           MR. ANTHONY: Right. I understand  
10 that. And all those, they have to be brought  
11 back in. So if a person does overvote or  
12 undervote or mess up a ballot, they do so at  
13 their own peril.

14          MR. DAMSCHRODER: Correct.

15          MR. PICCININNI: Here's your issue,  
16 though. At what point do you judge the half-  
17 hour?

18          MR. STINZIANO: I think the history  
19 with the lines have been, it's been to get to the  
20 poll book, not once you get past the poll book.

21          MR. ANTHONY: Right.

22          MR. STINZIANO: So that's when he's  
23 aiming at what point do you judge the half-hour.

24          MR. ANTHONY: Right. It's before they

1 get to the poll book and declare what they want.  
2 I mean, if you walk in the place and you see the  
3 line is clean out the door before anybody even  
4 got up to give what their names are, it would  
5 be -- we can make an announcement to say, hey, if  
6 you don't want to stand in this line, paper  
7 ballots are available.

8 MR. DAMSCHRODER: But you'd still have  
9 to stand in a line.

10 MR. PICCININNI: You'd still have to  
11 stand in that line.

12 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: And even if we  
13 created a separate line, you'd be saying, I  
14 think, stand in this line or that line. You're  
15 still standing in a line.

16 MR. DAMSCHRODER: And then you'd have  
17 to --

18 MR. PICCININNI: I mean, having just  
19 come back from Florida, this is not fast pass,  
20 okay. So, I mean, this is not where you get to  
21 come in, you know, to bypass the entire line.  
22 You're still going to have to stand in that line  
23 to check in so the ID is checked and everything.

24 You can't just give somebody a

1 ballot. You can't have a ballot out there for  
2 someone who hasn't checked in.

3 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: I think the  
4 practical application would be to create a  
5 separate line, a separate check-in system, and a  
6 separate -- which, at this point, we're not  
7 equipped to do.

8 MR. DAMSCHRODER: No. You'd then have  
9 to have two --

10 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: I don't think.

11 MR. STINZIANO: There was a Secretary  
12 of State directive to that point, and we sought a  
13 waiver because all it would do was create  
14 additional lines. And our concern was our  
15 polling locations weren't large enough.

16 Working with the Secretary of State's  
17 office, then we got additional guidance saying  
18 that we do have separate lines after people sign  
19 in because the roster books are just based on  
20 alphabetical queue and alphabetical order. And  
21 so that's when you get your two lines.

22 So there is potential for a half-hour  
23 line waiting for the machine after they go to the  
24 roster to vote. But we don't anticipate that to

1 really be where the line would be, given the  
2 Board's past experience in elections.

3 MR. ANTHONY: But even if that is and  
4 we give them that option, then that -- won't that  
5 speed the line up a little bit?

6 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: No.

7 (Laughing.)

8 MR. DAMSCHRODER: I mean, I think it  
9 all comes down to whether you think it's faster  
10 for a person to vote on paper or vote  
11 electronically and whether or not the Board wants  
12 to guarantee that every voter in the precinct has  
13 the opportunity to have local notification of  
14 overvotes.

15 I would also add to the Board as a  
16 reminder that even though we have increased the  
17 number of paper ballots twofold beyond the  
18 Secretary of State's minimum recommendations,  
19 that under the Secretary of State directive,  
20 every provisional ballot in the precinct has to  
21 be paper and that under federal law, if the  
22 courts keep a voting location open past 7:30,  
23 every ballot cast after 7:30 has to be a  
24 provisional ballot.

1                   If we start handing out paper ballots  
2 because the wait is 32 minutes, we run the risk,  
3 in my personal opinion, of running out of paper  
4 ballots when campaigns start keeping polling  
5 places open past 7:30.

6                   MR. ANTHONY: So in the event -- then  
7 this begs to ask the question for everybody  
8 here. If the lines are looking like they are  
9 going to be long and if we could find a way to  
10 speed things up a little bit by offering folks an  
11 alternative, I mean, should we give them that  
12 alternative when they first walk in, make it real  
13 clear to them, or when do we make that  
14 announcement, that there's an additional way to  
15 vote in case you don't want to stand in line and  
16 you don't want to vote on our electronic  
17 machines?

18                   CHAIRMAN PREISSE: In fairness to all  
19 the voters, you know, first come, first serve. I  
20 suppose one thing that could happen at the local  
21 level is, if nobody's opting after check-in for  
22 the paper ballot and there's a wait for the  
23 machines, they could be reminded that they have  
24 the option to -- verbally, they will -- posters

1 are up. They could be reminded that you can wait  
2 for the machine or you can vote paper.

3 But I don't think you're going to see  
4 much. The wait is before check-in, not after, in  
5 the great preponderance of cases, I think. Not  
6 after check-in.

7 MR. PICCININNI: I just have this one  
8 question, based on '04 and '06. What percentage  
9 of the voters are we looking at in this turnout  
10 that's going to have already voted via early  
11 voting or -- either early voting at Vets and/or  
12 absentee, out of a percentage of the total? I  
13 mean, do we have a projection of what the turnout  
14 is going to be at this juncture for November?

15 MR. DAMSCHRODER: Well, I think I'd  
16 answer that question by saying that it's likely  
17 that at least a third of the ballots will have  
18 either been requested or cast before election day  
19 in person or by mail.

20 The qualifier there being that if a  
21 person requested an absentee ballot, even if they  
22 haven't returned it and they go to their polls on  
23 election day, they're casting a paper provisional  
24 ballot, under Ohio law. So that's why we based

1 the calculation on the motion we did earlier,  
2 based on absentee requests.

3 2004, we had 535,000 ballots cast in  
4 this county, which was 125,000 more than had ever  
5 been cast in this county ever before in our  
6 history. I think it's likely that we'll see an  
7 even larger turnout this location, perhaps  
8 575,000 or even 600,000.

9 But at this point, we already have  
10 225,000. More than 225,000 ballots have  
11 been -- early ballots have been requested by mail  
12 or in person in advance.

13 MR. PICCININNI: And we have double  
14 the amount of machines. Now, compared to 2006  
15 when we had the machines, we had this amount of  
16 inventory, 4600 machines deployed with -- didn't  
17 we have, what, 25 percent or 30 percent come back  
18 absentee that voted early? Because that was the  
19 first year we did that.

20 MR. DAMSCHRODER: Yeah. In 2006, we  
21 had about 20 percent of the total ballots cast  
22 early and 25 percent cast early by mail.

23 But I think it's also important for  
24 the Board to remember, as we have this

1 conversation about what causes lines -- and I  
2 think to some extent having this conversation 11  
3 days before the election is much too late to  
4 really have much impact.

5 But I think it's worth remembering  
6 that some of the things in addition to having  
7 more machines and no fault absentee, the two  
8 things -- two additional things.

9 One is that in 2004, when a person  
10 checked in at their precinct, they had to vote on  
11 a specific machine that was assigned to their  
12 precinct. Now when they check in at their  
13 location, they vote on any machine that's  
14 available in the location.

15 So if you have a location that has  
16 five precincts, they're not limited to just their  
17 precinct's allocation of those machines. So we  
18 have nearly twice as many machines that have much  
19 greater flexibility in terms of use by the  
20 voters.

21 The other thing that's important to  
22 remember is that in 2004, one of the things that  
23 many voters experienced was in these multiple  
24 precinct locations where they would stand in

1 line, get to the check-in station only to be  
2 informed that they had been standing in the wrong  
3 line.

4 Our Board has done something that no  
5 other Board in the state of Ohio has done, and  
6 that is created this multiple-precinct concept  
7 where the voter is still signing a poll book  
8 based on their precinct but they're checking in  
9 not at their assigned precinct table, but signing  
10 in based on the letter of the first -- the first  
11 letter of their last name.

12 So there will no longer be people  
13 standing in line only to be sent over to  
14 the -- you know, the correct pew of the church,  
15 so to speak.

16 So I think many of these things that  
17 we have done, we have done to prevent many of the  
18 problems that were experienced on election day in  
19 2004.

20 And as I said moments ago, I caution  
21 the Board against adopting a policy that has, 11  
22 days before the election, the potential to create  
23 a problem at 7:30 p.m. when the clear trend over  
24 the last several federal elections, including

1 this year, has been for campaigns, both sides, to  
2 file lawsuits to keep voting locations open. And  
3 then we run the risk of not having any  
4 opportunity for people to vote.

5 MR. ANTHONY: Now, explain that to me  
6 again.

7 MR. DAMSCHRODER: Sure.

8 MR. ANTHONY: Not all of that, the  
9 last sentence.

10 MR. DAMSCHRODER: Right.

11 MR. ANTHONY: About the 7:30 cutoff  
12 and all of that. Explain that to me.

13 MR. DAMSCHRODER: The Secretary of  
14 State has issued a directive that says that every  
15 provisional ballot must be a paper ballot unless  
16 the person requires assistance with the DRE  
17 because of a disability.

18 So every -- essentially, every  
19 provisional voter has to vote on paper ballot.

20 Under federal law, the Help America  
21 Vote Act, when the courts keep a polling place  
22 open past the close of polls, every ballot cast  
23 after that time must, by federal law, be a  
24 provisional ballot. Therefore, the Secretary of

1 State directive, every ballot must be paper.

2 MR. STINZIANO: So what you'd see on  
3 election night is everyone in line at 7:30 has  
4 the option of machine or paper. Anyone that gets  
5 in line after 7:30 gets court order that requires  
6 us to keep it open for all who will be filing or  
7 who will be completing a provisional ballot.

8 MR. ANTHONY: Yeah. But if you're  
9 already in line --

10 MR. DAMSCHRODER: Right. If you're in  
11 line at 7:30, correct.

12 MR. ANTHONY: At 7:30.

13 MR. STINZIANO: You'd still have the  
14 choice.

15 MR. PICCININNI: So at 7:30 when you  
16 send your poll worker out to the end of the line  
17 saying everybody after this point is voting  
18 provisional, so they have to vote on paper.

19 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: If it's been held  
20 over.

21 MR. PICCININNI: If it's been held  
22 over.

23 MR. ANTHONY: If it's been held over.

24 MR. PICCININNI: Right.

1 MR. ANTHONY: And we've never had that  
2 happen?

3 MR. DAMSCHRODER: No. Actually, there  
4 was a lawsuit filed in this county in the primary  
5 of this year to keep selected precincts open past  
6 7:30.

7 MR. ANTHONY: Right. Because of other  
8 issues. They had power issues and --

9 MR. DAMSCHRODER: If I recall  
10 correctly -- and Patrick may recall  
11 specifically -- the specific allegation was long  
12 lines. And the Northern District court threw the  
13 complaint out against us saying that they lacked  
14 jurisdiction.

15 MR. PICCININNI: Against us and  
16 Clermont County but kept 18 precincts in  
17 Cleveland open.

18 MR. ANTHONY: I recall that.

19 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Any other  
20 discussion on this point or suggestion?

21 MR. ANTHONY: Well, yeah, I --

22 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: You still got more?

23 MR. ANTHONY: I still got more.

24 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: We're not in a

1     hurry.  I just want to make --

2                   MR. ANTHONY:  I ain't got to be  
3     nowhere yet.  No, this is what the concern  
4     is -- and then, you know, and I heard what  
5     everybody said, but y'all are going to have to  
6     take it to me a little slower so that I'm making  
7     sure I understand it.

8                   All I'm asking is that if it appears  
9     that we've got -- we have long lines, even after  
10    they've done signed in, and it looks like there's  
11    going to be some long lines and make the  
12    statement that you can vote by paper.

13                   Now, they've got that option anyway.  
14    They could say, I want to vote by paper if  
15    they're standing in that line, can't they?  If  
16    they sign the poll book, they got to that  
17    greeter's table and they signed the book, they  
18    could make the designation that I want paper and  
19    not the DRE's; is that --

20                   MR. STINZIANO:  Absolutely.

21                   MR. ANTHONY:  Is that correct?  So  
22    what would be the harm for us saying, hey, if  
23    you -- do you want to vote paper or DRE?  I mean,  
24    that's pretty much what I'm saying here.

1 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: I think that would  
2 violate the international no-cutting in line law.

3 MR. ANTHONY: And there's no cutting  
4 in line.

5 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Because then you'd  
6 be moving people up in front, wouldn't you?

7 MR. DAMSCHRODER: You're moving to a  
8 different station in order to service one person  
9 at a time.

10 MR. ANTHONY: Huh?

11 MR. DAMSCHRODER: It would take  
12 people -- you know, somebody, yeah, might want to  
13 get out of line and go over to the paper station.

14 MR. STINZIANO: There is no fast pass  
15 lane.

16 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Yeah, that's what  
17 I'm saying. You'd move somebody to the front of  
18 the line --

19 MR. ANTHONY: But not really.

20 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: -- and then people  
21 would be saying, well, why is he -- well, because  
22 you can vote paper. Then everybody wants to vote  
23 paper.

24 MR. ANTHONY: Once you sign in, ask

1 them --

2 MR. STINZIANO: You could sign  
3 in -- regardless if you're voting machine or  
4 paper, you're signing in at the same station.  
5 It's then whether or not someone says anything  
6 when you sign in there or what the voter chooses.

7 MS. MARINELLO: You want them to say  
8 it.

9 MR. ANTHONY: I want them to say it.  
10 I just wanted them to make a statement when they  
11 get to the -- got to the greeter's table and  
12 they're sitting there.

13 Because even after you get to the  
14 greeter's table, you've still got to wait, I'm  
15 assuming, for a machine to come open, if there's  
16 a line, right?

17 MR. DAMSCHRODER: Yeah. Once you  
18 check in, if -- you know, you wait, then, for a  
19 few moments until the next machine becomes  
20 available.

21 MR. ANTHONY: Right. And so instead  
22 of waiting for the next machine to come  
23 available, you say, hey, we've got paper. Make  
24 that option for them. And then they could either

1 say, heck, no, I'm going to vote on that  
2 machine, or they'd say, okay, give me a paper.

3 And hopefully -- and, you know, with  
4 the understanding that, you know, open undervotes  
5 and all of that stuff. I mean, we've got to have  
6 them in there anyway. And folks are going to  
7 either ask for them or they're not going to ask  
8 for them.

9 I'm just saying, we just make it a  
10 known that there's paper available. That's all  
11 I'm saying.

12 MR. DAMSCHRODER: And when we start  
13 advertising that, if the lines get to that point,  
14 what's the Board's plan for if we run out of  
15 paper at 7:30 p.m. or at 4:30 p.m.

16 MR. ANTHONY: I understand that. I  
17 understand that. And we only have enough paper  
18 for 50 percent, right, for a 50-percent turnout?

19 MR. PICCININNI: I have one  
20 other -- what's the training on this?

21 MR. DAMSCHRODER: We've got half the  
22 poll -- more than half the poll whose already  
23 trained.

24 MS. MARINELLO: That wouldn't take a

1 complete training thing, would it? It's just a  
2 sentence.

3 MR. ANTHONY: Well, part of what we  
4 could do, too, you know, is just -- part of what  
5 we could do, too, is make that announcement and  
6 we make it public and we get it out that if  
7 you're standing in line after you sign in the  
8 poll book and you don't want to vote by DRE,  
9 you've got the paper ballot available.

10 I mean, I don't -- I didn't perceive  
11 us to have to go through a whole, you know,  
12 voting and then disagreeing on it and sending it  
13 up to Jennifer. That's not what my intent was.

14 My intent was to just -- you know,  
15 we've got the press here now. We've got a few  
16 folks out there in the audience. And just to let  
17 folks know that that option is available.

18 That's part of all I want to say here  
19 because the option is available whether we like  
20 it or not. That option is available. And that's  
21 all I'm talking about.

22 And, you know, I think that most folks  
23 that are using DRE's, and I would highly suggest  
24 that they use the DRE's because I think it would

1 be faster voting and for a lot of other obvious  
2 reasons.

3 But that was my intent here. It  
4 wasn't to try to belabor this thing and make it  
5 more complicated than what it should be.

6 MS. MARINELLO: I agree.

7 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: So is that a  
8 preparation for withdrawing or making a motion or  
9 maybe thinking about it and coming back?

10 MR. ANTHONY: Well, what I would like  
11 to see is that we get the word out, that we let  
12 folks know that. Now, does that take a motion to  
13 do that or can we just say it or what? I don't  
14 know.

15 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: The option is  
16 available. The postings will be there. The  
17 suggestion to staff that this is an option that  
18 the precinct workers could use to help get  
19 people -- if there is a back-up before the  
20 machines.

21 I don't think we need a motion to make  
22 that suggestion as a helpful tool to remind the  
23 precinct workers that if you've got a backup and  
24 people are antsy, you can remind them they have

1 two options to vote.

2 MR. DAMSCHRODER: I think that if the  
3 Board's going to ask the poll workers to do  
4 something that is outside of the instructions or  
5 in addition to the instructions of state law or  
6 the Secretary of State directive, I think in  
7 order to ensure equal application of that, it  
8 must be a voted policy of the Board.

9 MR. ANTHONY: And, right now, there's  
10 no policy that the Secretary of State has given  
11 us to say, you have to tell people to request a  
12 paper ballot, right?

13 MR. DAMSCHRODER: Correct. That's  
14 correct.

15 MR. ANTHONY: There's no such policy  
16 like that.

17 MR. DAMSCHRODER: We're following the  
18 policy to the letter and posting the four  
19 notices.

20 MR. STINZIANO: And having paper be  
21 available.

22 MR. DAMSCHRODER: And exceeding the  
23 minimum requirements of the Secretary --

24 MR. ANTHONY: So we're posting -- in

1 everybody's bag, there's four notices somewhere  
2 scattered around. It's close to where they can  
3 see them.

4 MR. DAMSCHRODER: Well, they're in  
5 the -- in terms of delivery for the poll workers  
6 or how the poll workers post them?

7 MR. ANTHONY: And what does that say  
8 exactly, again? Do you know what it says?

9 MR. NICKOLAS: You have an  
10 option -- I'm trying to quote it correctly. You  
11 have an option of voting either machine or  
12 paper. And it's short and to the point. It's on  
13 8 1/2 X 17 or 8 1/2 X 15. It's large. It's bold  
14 print. A poll worker can point to it.

15 MR. DAMSCHRODER: It's what?

16 MR. NICKOLAS: I poll worker can point  
17 to it without saying anything.

18 MR. ANTHONY: All right. So now that  
19 we've had discussion on that, I'm happy. I would  
20 like to see, you know, us at each of the polling  
21 places that we have, some clipboards in the event  
22 that folks would like to take the opportunity to  
23 vote on paper.

24 Just, you know, maybe three or four

1 per precinct so that -- if we have them. I don't  
2 know if we have them or not.

3 \* MR. STINZIANO: We don't currently  
4 have a supply, no. And that's the next agenda  
5 item, if we're done with that one.

6 MR. ANTHONY: I'm done with that  
7 because I'm not going to make a motion on that.

8 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Thank you, sir.

9 MR. ANTHONY: You're welcome.

10 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: It was a good  
11 discussion.

12 MR. STINZIANO: So then the next item  
13 is discussion of election day allocation  
14 procedures, supplies, contemplating the purchase  
15 of clipboards, use of additional privacy screens.

16 Currently, we allocate one privacy  
17 screen per precinct, and that is what we  
18 currently have in place.

19 MR. ANTHONY: I'd say we keep that.  
20 You know, if folks want to vote -- I say we make  
21 clipboards available, if we can get them pretty  
22 cheaply or get them -- can we get them before  
23 election day?

24 MR. DAMSCHRODER: I'm sure Staples or

1 Office Max has an ample supply.

2 MR. ANTHONY: You know, maybe three or  
3 four per precinct would be sufficient. I'm not  
4 talking about a lot. I mean, what do you think?

5 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: For the -- well,  
6 what's the anticipation right now for the -- you  
7 mean for the purpose of the --

8 MR. DAMSCHRODER: For paper voting.

9 MR. ANTHONY: For paper voting. We  
10 don't know what the anticipation is.

11 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: No. I mean, in  
12 terms of if somebody comes in, they go to vote  
13 the paper ballot, they go --

14 MR. DAMSCHRODER: The commissioners  
15 have provided enough funding for one privacy  
16 booth per precinct. They discussed earlier in  
17 the year providing additional funding for more,  
18 but the commissioners decided that it was not  
19 necessary to provide supplemental funding for  
20 purchase of more privacy booths.

21 So if the Board wants to supply  
22 clipboards, we would be more than happy to buy  
23 clipboards.

24 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: In my experience

1 over at Vets is a heck of a lot of voters coming  
2 through there who don't seem to care at all that  
3 they're sitting right next to each other with no  
4 screens on tables voting.

5 MR. STINZIANO: I mean, ideally, I  
6 think we would just like to have tables set up,  
7 we just can't guarantee every location has those  
8 tables available, and we don't have the resources  
9 to allocate a table polling location wide.

10 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: I think your  
11 clipboard idea is an excellent one.

12 MR. ANTHONY: I do, too.

13 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Or whose ever idea  
14 it was.

15 MR. DAMSCHRODER: I think it was  
16 Mr. Anthony's.

17 MR. ANTHONY: And we've got more over  
18 at the Board, over at Vets, and I saw some folks  
19 using them, too.

20 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: You're right. I  
21 did, too.

22 MR. ANTHONY: Yeah. All right. Well,  
23 do I need a motion for that or just something  
24 that will happen?

1 MR. DAMSCHRODER: We'll buy  
2 clipboards.

3 MR. ANTHONY: All right, then. I'm  
4 one happy guy. I got nothing else to talk  
5 about. I have nothing else to bring before the  
6 Board, Mr. Chair.

7 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Well, if there is  
8 no other business to come before us, we could  
9 entertain a motion to adjourn.

10 MR. ANTHONY: Since I've done most the  
11 flapping of my lips here today, I'm going to move  
12 that we adjourn.

13 MS. MARINELLO: I second that.

14 MR. STINZIANO: All in favor?

15 (Board members in favor of the motion  
16 so indicated.)

17 MR. STINZIANO: None opposed.

18 The meeting is adjourned.

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20 Thereupon, the proceedings were  
21 concluded at 4:04 o'clock p.m.

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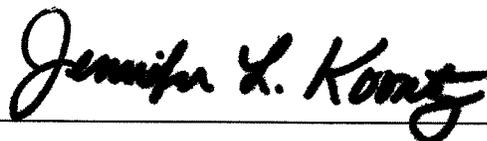
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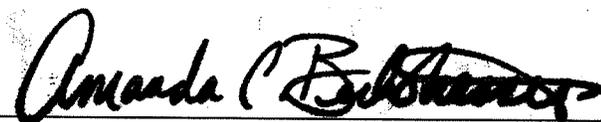
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