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PRESENT:

Ms. Suzanne Brown,
Executive Assistant to the Board

Mr. Ben Piscitelli,
Public Information Officer,
Franklin County Board of Elections

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P R O C E E D I N G S

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DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Good afternoon,
everyone. I would like to call the Franklin County
Board of Elections meeting to order.

I will do the roll call. Kimberly
Marinello?

BOARD MEMBER MARINELLO: Here.

DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Zachary Manifold?

BOARD MEMBER MANIFOLD: Here.

DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Chairman Douglas
Preisse?

CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Here.

DIRECTOR ANTHONY: We're all here, sir.

The first item on the agenda would be to
approve the minutes from the August 20th, August
23rd, and September 4th meetings.

BOARD MEMBER MARINELLO: Mr. Chairman, I
move the Board approve the minutes of the August
20th, August 23rd, and September 4th, 2012 meeting of
the Franklin County Board of Elections as submitted.

DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Is there a second?

BOARD MEMBER MANIFOLD: Second.

1 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: And I will be passing
2 that around for everybody to sign.

3 The next item on the agenda --

4 DEPUTY DIRECTOR WALCH: You should
5 probably vote on that.

6 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Yeah.

7 DEPUTY DIRECTOR WALCH: You didn't vote
8 on that.

9 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Oh, we didn't vote?
10 I'm sorry. It's been properly moved and seconded.
11 All those in favor, say aye.

12 BOARD MEMBERS: Aye.

13 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Motion carries. Now I
14 can move on.

15 DEPUTY DIRECTOR WALCH: Now you can move
16 on.

17 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: All right. The next
18 item on the agenda, we have to have some policies in
19 place in order for us to be able to purchase some
20 items. This is a good idea to have policies in place
21 dealing with consumable purchases that the Board
22 makes and also dealing with the Early Vote Center.

23 So before you are copies of both of those
24 policies. The first one being done with the Health

1 and Safety and Personal Consumables Purchase Policy,
2 if you didn't get a chance to look at this, so if you
3 want to take a minute to look at it.

4 DEPUTY DIRECTOR WALCH: Bill, the
5 question is about on the Early Vote Center policy,
6 there is still mention in there of coffee.

7 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Yes, it is. It's
8 basically to get a coffeemaker.

9 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Did we -- did Kim buy
10 one or two for here?

11 BOARD MEMBER MARINELLO: I bought two for
12 here.

13 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: But that's not going
14 to be enough for the vote center. At the vote center
15 we might have up to 50, 60 employees out there at the
16 vote center for that 35 days and they're pretty much
17 stuck in the center and there's no vending.

18 We have to basically put together a
19 vending room for that vote center in order for them
20 to be able to -- even if they bring their own food,
21 we have to put a refrigerator and microwave and
22 coffeemaker in that vending room because, if we
23 don't, we're going to have to figure out how to
24 supply that.

1 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Remind me how we ran
2 afoul or were criticized by, was it the County
3 Auditor, what we were doing with coffee here?

4 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: It was, from my
5 understanding, they found an Attorney General's
6 opinion from 1986 that basically put limits or
7 prohibited buying coffee and consumable supplies for
8 employees. We have been doing it here through
9 Sanese. They have provided a coffeemaker and the
10 coffee and we had -- at that point we really didn't
11 have a Board policy that said we could do it, it was
12 just a practice that we had been doing it.

13 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Okay. They didn't
14 tell us we couldn't do it; they said we needed to
15 have a policy.

16 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: We needed to have a
17 policy.

18 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: So you're suggesting
19 for the extraordinary circumstances of the time limit
20 and the concentration --

21 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: The vote center.

22 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Okay. I understand.

23 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: And see, what we
24 didn't want to see happen, what happened with Sanese,

1 they ended up not being paid for seven months or nine
2 months, for a long time.

3 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Got it. I'm
4 convinced.

5 DEPUTY DIRECTOR WALCH: And what we have
6 actually looked at doing in the case of the Early
7 Vote Center, our finance folks have looked into
8 actually renting some of the stuff if it makes more
9 sense to do that --

10 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Right.

11 DEPUTY DIRECTOR WALCH: -- to just go
12 ahead and rent it for the compressed time period that
13 we need it instead of buying something, so we are
14 looking into that to make sure we're spending the
15 money wisely.

16 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Right.

17 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: So that's what that's
18 about. So that's why they broke them up into two
19 policies.

20 BOARD MEMBER MARINELLO: Mr. Chairman, I
21 move the Board adopt the Health and Safety and
22 Personal Consumables Policy drafted by the Board of
23 Elections staff.

24 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Is there a second?

1 BOARD MEMBER MANIFOLD: Second.

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

4 BOARD MEMBERS: Aye.

5 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: The next one would be
6 the Early Vote Center Procurement Policy.

7 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: All right. Good.

8 BOARD MEMBER MANIFOLD: Mr. Chairman, I
9 move the Board adopt the Early Voting Center
10 Procurement Policy drafted by the Board of Elections
11 staff.

12 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Is there a second?

13 BOARD MEMBER MARINELLO: Second.

14 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: All those in favor,
15 say aye.

16 BOARD MEMBERS: Aye.

17 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Motion carries.

18 The last item on the agenda is we also
19 hired -- we also want to enter into personal service
20 contracts with two individuals to manage the vote
21 center; it's Fred Stratmann and Don Klco.

22 They've been out there since September
23 the 4th. I neglected to bring it up at that meeting.
24 We had a rather full agenda and, quite frankly, I

1 forgot to include it. You guys got to meet them at
2 the conclusion of the meeting, but we never voted on
3 their personal service agreement.

4 So in your packet is the personal service
5 agreements, it has been vetted by the Prosecutor's
6 office, and gives the Deputy Director and I the
7 authorization to enter into a personal service
8 agreement not to exceed \$10,500.

9 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: As discussed, and the
10 guys are working, right?

11 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Yes.

12 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: And we know both of
13 them to be capable individuals, and the personnel
14 lawyer --

15 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Yes.

16 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: -- and the
17 Prosecutor's office has okayed it.

18 DEPUTY DIRECTOR WALCH: Yup.

19 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: And they are also a
20 signer on this as well.

21 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: I see that, yeah.

22 BOARD MEMBER MANIFOLD: Mr. Chairman, I
23 moved that the Board authorize the Director and
24 Deputy Director to execute personal service contracts

1 not to exceed \$10,500 each for Fred Stratmann and Don
2 Klco to manage the Early Vote Center located at 1700
3 Morse Road, Columbus, Ohio.

4 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Is there a second?

5 BOARD MEMBER MARINELLO: Second.

6 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: All those in favor,
7 say aye.

8 BOARD MEMBERS: Aye.

9 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Motion carries.

10 Is there a motion to adjourn?

11 BOARD MEMBER MANIFOLD: Mr. Chairman, I
12 move that we adjourn.

13 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Is there a second?

14 BOARD MEMBER MARINELLO: Second.

15 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: All those in favor?

16 BOARD MEMBERS: Aye.

17 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: We stand adjourned.

18 (Thereupon, the proceedings concluded at
19 2:25 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 Tuesday, September 18, 2012, and carefully compared with my original stenographic notes.

Carolyn M. Burke, Registered Professional Reporter, and Notary Public in and for the State of Ohio.

My commission expires July 17, 2013.

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