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Voter Registration Advisory Board  
Minutes of the Third Quarterly Regular Meeting  
- 8/13/2015

The regular meeting of the Voter Registration Advisory Board (VRAB) was called to order in the Region's Board Room on the third floor of the Department of Archives and History Building at 11:35am on August 13, 2015. Members present were Adonis Bailey, Lynda Hairston, Don Milligan, Alleen Barnett, and Benjamin Jones. Others present were Clay Helms and David Brewer.

Adonis Bailey called the meeting to order. Clay Helms acknowledged that a quorum was achieved and that the Open Meetings Act requirement was satisfied. Lynda Hairston motioned to approve the agenda for the day's meeting, which was seconded by Don Milligan and approved by the group.

Adonis Bailey called for a discussion of old business from the last meeting in regards to Registrar appointments. Don Milligan and Lynda Hairston proposed a possible deadline date for appointing board members to notify each registrar of his or her re-appointment or release. Adonis Bailey stated that registrars of a high caliber have been lost in the past due to the uncertainty of the registrar re-appointment process.

Don Milligan asked for a status on registrar training and registrar ID's. Clay Helms explained that registrar training will take place in October 2015, and there was no update on the possibility of Registrar ID's currently.

Adonis Bailey opened the meeting for new business. Lynda Hairston brought up the issue of Registrar raises. Don Milligan provided historical reference for past raises.

Lynda Hairston questioned possibilities for requiring proof of citizenship for voter registration. Don Milligan explained the abbreviations listed on Driver's License cards that prove Foreign National status. Lynda Hairston added that the current DMV file does not provide a person's citizenship status. The group discussed possibilities for obtaining citizenship data and the future of being involved in the Electronic Registration Information Center (ERIC). Clay Helms discussed the ERIC system and the checks and balances provided by ERIC for all participating states.

Alleen Barnett proposed for the Governor, Auditor, and Commissioner of Agriculture and Industries to be notified of each appointee's attendance record at the end of each year. Benjamin Jones favored the proposal.

Adonis Bailey moved to nominate a new Chairperson of the VRAB. Benjamin Jones nominated Lynda Hairston, seconded by Alleen Barnett. After a unanimous vote of approval, Lynda Hairston was named the new Chairperson of the VRAB for the 2015-2019 term.

Lynda Hairston motioned to adjourn, seconded by Alleen Barnett. Adonis Bailey commenced with the adjournment.

Submitted by Clay Helms  
8/13/2015

Handwritten signatures of Don Milligan, Adonis Bailey, and Lynda Hairston.