

**ALABAMA VOTER REGISTRATION ADVISORY BOARD**

**3/16/2023**

Regions Boardroom

Alabama Department of Archives and History

Members present were Don Milligan, Darwin Prewitt, Adonis Bailey Whitlow, Eugenia Stone, Robert (Bob) Sanders, and Jo Steifel. Absent members were Benjamin Jones and Debbie Page. Jeff Elrod was present to represent the Secretary of State's Office.

**Call to Order/Roll Call/Acknowledgement of Quorum/Review of Minutes from 12/29/2022**

Chairman Milligan called the meeting to order. Member Prewitt led the board in the invocation and Chairman Milligan followed by leading the members in the Pledge of Allegiance. Chairman Milligan notified the Board that the meeting was published online to comply with the Alabama Open Meetings Act and acknowledged the reminder was sent to all members. The attendance of six members was noticed and a quorum was present. The members reviewed the agenda for the meeting. Member Whitlow made a motion to approve the agenda and a second was provided by Member Sanders. The Board voted unanimously to approve the agenda. Chairman Milligan had the Members review the minutes from the December 29<sup>th</sup> meeting on their own. Member Stiefel mad a motion to approve the minutes and a second was provided by Member Stone. The Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes from the December 29<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**Old Business**

Member Prewitt discussed military identification to vote at the polls on election concerning a poll worker training issue. Mr. Elrod mentioned a new training to be in place for poll workers and part of the training will be about identifying military identifications better.

**New Business**

Chairman Milligan mentioned recent vendor training for new system. Chairman Milligan discussed that he felt the new system training went well. Other Members felt the training was confusing and there should be more input from the registrars. Mr. Elrod mentioned how the system is still undergoing changes and the vendor is accepting feedback on how to improve the system. Members Steifel and Stone will work on new mission statement for the committee and will have a draft by the next meeting. Member Whitlow mentioned Board of Registrars receiving driver licenses information from ALEA to assist with registration procedures. Committee Members also discussed why citizens are allowed to apply to register to vote at 17 and a half years of age. Chairman Mulligan asked for clarification of the Secretary of States legislative agenda.

**Next Meeting Date/Adjournment**

The next meeting is set for Tuesday, March 16, 2023, at 2pm in the Archives boardroom.

**Adjournment**

Member Whitlow motioned for the Board to adjourn and Member Prewitt seconded. The Board voted unanimously in favor of adjournment.

Don Milligan  
Debbie Page

Eugenia Stone

Robert (Bob) Sanders

Adonis Bailey Whitlow

John Kelly