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GARRETT COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

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BOARD MEETING – January 2, 2018

ATTENDING: Lois A. Martin, Board President

Charles Nolan, Board Member Paul Kolb, Board Member

Randy Glotfelty, Substitute Board Member Connie Meyers, Substitute Board Member

Steven D. Fratz, Election Director

ABSENT:

None

5:00 PM-Meeting was called to order and quorum determined by Board President Lois Martin.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The minutes for the November 14th, 2017 meeting was approved on a motion made by Chuck Nolan, seconded by Paul Kolb and made unanimous by Lois Martin.

ELECTION DIRECTOR REPORT:

Registered voters are as follows for Garrett County: Democrat – 4,240, Republican – 12,689, Green – 38, Libertarian – 99, Unaffiliated – 2,456 and 136 others for a total of 19,658 Registered Voters.

There were no new candidacy filings since the November board meeting.

Steve attended the December directors meeting and apprised the board of the following topics that were discussed:

- We now must send a mailer to all voters who have a change of address. The mailer is sent to the old address on file. This is to verify that this was not a fraudulent address change.
- Charles and Caroline County will be using the new tablets for pollbooks in the 2018 elections. All other counties will began using the tablets for the 2020 elections.
- Steve had previously reported that all absentees for the 2018 elections would be mailed from the local LBE's. The State has now contracted with a vendor so all absentees will be sent from a mailing house.
- After some discussion it has been decided that the stubs would remain on ballots.

This week will be the start of L&A and to prepare for the Pre-Primary Testing/Training.

This week Diana will start reaching out to the Election Judges who have not returned their surveys.

On January 15th the office will be closed in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

The week of January 16th a "Mock" election will be conducted.

Steve will be off the week of January 29th.

OLD BUSINESS:

NONE

NEW BUSINESS AND CORRESPONDENCE:

Steve distributed Rules of Security Behavior to the Board to be filled out and returned.

Steve handed out the Primary Election Schedule to the Board.

ADJOURNMENT:

The next board meeting is scheduled for February 13th.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:35 PM on a motion by Chuck Nolan, seconded by Randy Glotfelty, and made unanimous by Lois Martin.

Lois A. Martin, Board President