



# Board of Election Commissioners

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## THE BOARD OF ELECTION COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF AURORA, KANE, KENDALL, AND WILL COUNTIES, ILLINOIS

### MEETING MINUTES

July 29, 2015

The Meeting of the Board of Election Commissioners of the City of Aurora is convened by Chairman Leah Anderson at the Aurora Election Commission, 323 W. Galena Blvd, in Aurora, IL at 5:00 p.m. on the 24th day of June, 2015.

Commissioner Anderson asks that Commissioner Perry call the roll. Present are Commissioners Anderson, McCoy and Perry. Also in attendance is the Executive Director Linda Fechner and Attorney Pat Bond. Bill Barrett, Vendor from Liberty Systems LLC., is also guest in attendance.

The Meeting is opened with Chairman Leah Anderson leading the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Anderson read a letter from Gayle's Memorial Church regarding their Anniversary Dinner and request to place an ad in their booklet. It was agreed to donate \$25.00 for a business card size congratulations.

There is no public comment.

Commissioner McCoy moves to approve the Minutes of the June 24, 2015 Board Meeting and is second by Commissioner Perry. Motion passes by voice vote.

Commissioner McCoy moves and Commissioner Perry seconds to approve the Commission Bank Statements and place on file. Motion passes by voice vote.

Commissioner McCoy moves and is second by Commissioner Anderson to place on file the Commission Treasurer's Reports. Motion passes by voice vote.

Commissioner McCoy moves to approve the Commission Bills and it is second by Commissioner Perry. On the motion to approve the Commission Bills, Commissioner Perry calls the roll and Commissioners Anderson, McCoy and Perry votes 'aye' and the Motion carries 3-0.

### Unfinished Business:

There are no legal issues at this time, as reported by Attorney. All payments to the Commission are as scheduled.

There was no new Federal Legislation. Attorney Bond went over the some of the legislation in both the House and Senate.

A question regarding the number of employees relating to insurance and filing of taxes was asked of Attorney Bond. He reported that Federal Ruling limits 24 and at 25 we would need to pay the taxes on a monthly basis. Regarding insurance there is an hour and number calculation that the IRS has and it is based again on the number of W-2's issued. Once the Commission hits the limit, it is a permanent filing status.

Commissioner Perry gave an update on the Expo being held on September 15, 2015, at the Painter's Union Hall. The Commission will have a table there and will do registrations on anyone who meets the requirements.

The Executive Director reminded the Board of the AECOI Conference.

### **New Business:**

Commissioner McCoy moved to approve the Resolution 2015-06 Authorizing The Execution of Professional Legal Services between the Aurora Election Commission and Bond-Dickson & Associates, P.C.; and it was second by Commissioner Anderson. On roll call vote, Commissioners Anderson, McCoy, and Perry voted 'Aye' and motion carried 3-0. Attorney Bond thanked the Board and is looking forward to working with the Commission.

Executive Director spoke on several trainings that would be happening in the future. The Office has had requests to do the Candidate Primary Training again for the upcoming Presidential Election Cycle. The Board agreed that it is good education and potentially would save money by reducing the amount of objections and candidates filing incorrectly. Commissioner Anderson made a motion to have Attorney Bond conduct the 2016 Candidate Primer Training in the Commission Office, and this was second by Commissioner McCoy. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.


As for the Election Day Deputy Registrar Training, that would be held next year in January. The Executive Director is sending letters out to the various organizations that are service based and not political based to serve as Registrars. A discussion ensued as to the pay. It is not mandated to be a paid position; however, the Commission will receive little response if there isn't some compensation. Director Fechner stated this is why she was looking at the organizations in that many times they will donate the payment back to their organization. The Executive Director had a concern that the Election Judges will quit in order to be a Registration Officer. The job is less stressful and shorter amount of commitment. Commissioner Perry stated that the prevailing wage per hour in our area should be given. That would put the pay over what the Judges would be earning. Commissioner McCoy inquired as what the Election Judges are currently making. Executive Director stated a trained judge earns \$145.00, untrained earns \$105.00, and we are again being reimbursed about \$40.00/judge worked. With that, Commissioner McCoy gave a suggestion to pay the judges \$105.00. The Board agreed with that amount and the Attorney was asked if a motion was needed. Attorney Bond stated it was not needed but it would memorialize it in the minutes. Commissioner McCoy made the motion to pay the Registrar Officers the amount equal to what is not reimbursed by the State for each election; it was second by Commissioner Anderson and motion carried by voice vote.

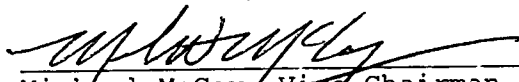
Executive Director Fechner stated the Office is currently recovering the Election forms and will be ordering new forms and many of the Registration and Provisional Forms have been change through the laws that have been passed. The Office is also evaluating equipment in the Office that no longer work properly and additional needs of the Office. Over the next couple of months she will be bringing pricing to the Board.

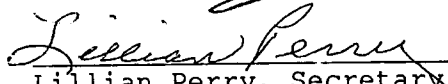
Commissioner Perry has requested that the Office go through a Workplace Diversity and Sensitivity Training. Attorney Bond stated he would work with the Executive Director on this issue.

Next scheduled Meeting will be Wednesday, August 26, 2015 at 5:00 pm.

With no further business at hand Commissioner McCoy moved and second by Commissioner Perry to adjourn to the August 26, 2015 Meeting. Meeting ended at 6:25 pm.

  
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Leah Anderson, Chairman

  
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Michael McCoy, Vice-Chairman

  
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Lillian Perry, Secretary