

**Wise County Electoral Board**  
**Draft Minutes**  
**October 10<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

A special meeting of the Wise County Electoral Board was held in the Electoral Board Conference Room at the Wise County Justice Center in Wise, VA at 9:00 a.m. with the following present: Danny G. Mullins (Chairman), Alberta Mitchell (Vice-Chairman), Eula Hughes (Secretary), and Allison J. Robbins (General Registrar).

The meeting was called to order by Danny Mullins at 9:01 a.m.

On a motion by Eula Hughes and seconded by Danny Mullins the agenda was approved as presented.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved on a motion by Danny Mullins and seconded by Eula Hughes.

Registrar Allison Robbins updated the board on the implementation of the new Optical Scan Voting Equipment. Ms. Robbins reported that absentee voting was going smoothly and that feedback from voters was overwhelmingly positive. Discussion followed regarding the usefulness of absentee voting as an opportunity for some Officers of Election to experience the voting process before Election Day. It was decided that Officers of Election should be encouraged to vote Absentee in person at the Registrar's Office.

Registrar Robbins provided the board with the date and times for the special training sessions for Officers of Election on the Optical Scan voting equipment. Ms. Robbins informed that Tyler Lincks, from PrintElect, would be conducting those trainings on Tuesday, October 17<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at the Inn at Wise. All officers would be given the opportunity to attend one of the three identical trainings. The sessions are expected to last approximately two hours.

The training sessions are as follows:

- Morning Session – 9:00 a.m.
- Mid-Day Session – 1:00 p.m.
- Evening Session – 6:00 p.m.

Secretary Eula Hughes inquired about whether arrangements had been made to provide food during these special trainings for the new equipment. Ms. Hughes noted that when new equipment had been implemented in the past that a small dinner had been catered during those trainings. Ms. Robbins said that arrangements had been made for a small buffet style meal to be provided during each session and that she was awaiting a detailed quote from the Inn at Wise.

No further business noted, the meeting was adjourned at 9:48 a.m.

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Danny G. Mullins, Chairman

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Alberta Mitchell, Vice-Chairman

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Eula Hughes, Secretary