

Minutes State Election Commission Meeting June 16, 2009

The State Election Commission meeting was called to order by Chairman Wallace at 11:05 a.m. with Commissioners Blackburn, DuBois, Duckett, Head, Wheeler and Younce present. Election staff members present were Mark Goins - Coordinator of Elections, Cara Harr - HAVA Attorney and Kathy Summers - Elections Specialist.

Motion was made, seconded and unanimously approved to adopt the minutes from May 19, 2009 and May 27th, 2009 (telephonic meeting) meetings.

Pursuant to T.C.A. § 2-12-101 and 2-12-106, motion was made, seconded and unanimously approved to accept the nominations for county election commission appointments as submitted and to leave the nomination process open until 4:30 p.m. central time June 16, 2009. **(See attached New Appointment Status Report for appointments made.)**

Commissioner Duckett discussed the motion made at the March 17th, 2009 meeting that requested a letter to be drafted and sent to the General Assembly requesting that both county election commissioners and AEO be added to the list of individuals required to file ethics reports with the TEC under TCA§ 8-50-501(a). Coordinator Goins advised Commissioners that there is legislation that would sunset the Ethics Commission. If sunset occurs the Ethics Commission duties could be combined with the Registry of Election Finance.

Coordinator Goins - Update:

⇒ Coordinator Goins and Cara Harr, HAVA Attorney, updated Commissioners on the Voter Confidence Act. There are two pieces of legislation that would either repeal the Act or delay the Act until 2012. The Elections Division is currently supporting a delay as there are no machines certified to the 2005 EAC standards as is required under the current Act. Local county officials have determined that the legislation would cost \$11.7 million dollars in 2010.

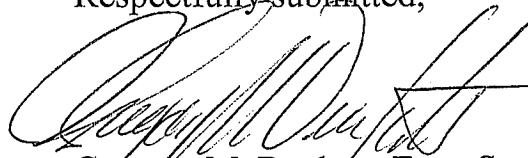
Commissioners and staff discussed voting tabulators and scanners for optical scanning machines.

- ⇒ Coordinator Goins updated the State Election Commission on the Sunset Review of the State Election Commission.
- ⇒ The Tennessee Association of County Election Officials (TACEO) will hold their annual meeting and seminar June 28 through July 1, 2009 in Memphis. All commissioners are invited to attend and there are funds in the budget for all members to attend.

The next meeting will be held on July 21, 2009 at 11:00 a.m. in the Robertson Room of the William R. Snodgrass-Tennessee Tower.

Motion was made to adjourn, and there being no further business to come before the commission at this time, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,



Gregory M. Duckett, Esq., Secretary
State Election Commission

Vacant Status

16-Jun-09

Benton

D Greg Duckett
R Jimmy Wallace

D

Campbell

D Tom Wheeler
R Tom DuBois

R

Hamblen

D Tom Wheeler
R Tom DuBois

R

Rhea

D Tom Wheeler
R Tom DuBois

D

Total Vacancies: 4

Holdover Status

16-Jun-09

Appointment Reappointment

D
R

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New Appointment Status

16-Jun-09

Appointment

Hamblen

D Tom Wheeler / R Tom DuBois

R Betty J. Shuck

6/16/2009

Rhea

D Tom Wheeler / R Tom DuBois

D Hurley Marsh

6/16/2009

Total New Commissioners: 2