

**Minutes of the
Richland County
Board of Elections and Voter Registration
2020 Hampton Street
Thursday, November 29, 2012
4:00 p.m.**

Board Members Attending

Ms. M. Elizabeth Crum, Chair
Mr. Allen Dowdy, Vice Chair
Ms. Adell Adams
Ms. Elaine DuBose

Staff Attending

Ms. Lillian McBride, Executive Director
Mr. Garry Baum, Deputy Director
Ms. Amie Brunson

Others in Attendance

Mr. Steve Hamm, Esquire
Ms. Joann Wessinger-Hill, Esquire

Call to Order

- The meeting was called to order at 4:07 p.m. It was noted that a quorum was present to allow the meeting to proceed.

Approval of Minutes from November 1, 2012 Meeting

- The Board members reviewed the minutes from November 1, 2012. A motion was made to approve the public hearing minutes. Seconded. Approved 4-0.

Attorney General's Opinion Dated November 26, 2012 to Senator John Scott dealing with the authority of the Board to terminate the Director of the Board

- A motion was made to proceed into Executive Session to receive legal advice concerning the Attorney General Opinion regarding the authority of the Board to terminate the Director of the Board. Seconded. Approved 4-0. The Board entered into Executive Session at 4:10 pm.
- At 4:36 pm, the Board came out of Executive Session and indicated that no action was taken during the Executive Session. The Board will accept the recommendation from the Attorney General regarding their authority to terminate the Director of the Board. Seconded. Approved 4-0.

Waiver of Executive Session and other information regarding former Director Mike Cinnamon

- A motion was made to proceed into Executive Session to receive legal advice regarding the waiver of Executive Session and other information regarding former Director Mike Cinnamon. Seconded. Approved 4-0. The Board entered into Executive Session at 4:39 pm.
- The Board came out of Executive Session at 4:59 pm and indicated that no action was taken during the Executive Session. The Board will work with Mr. Hamm in releasing information pertaining to former Director Mike Cinnamon that will not violate legal privileges. Seconded. Approved 4-0.

Old Business

- None indicated.

New Business

Protest Hearing

- Ms. Crum indicated that she will recuse herself from the protest hearings scheduled for Monday, December 3, 2012.
 - A motion was made to appoint Mr. Allen Dowdy, Vice Chair to issue subpoenas and preside over the protest hearing on December 3, 2012. Seconded. Approved 2-0.

General Election Interim Report

- Mr. Steve Hamm indicated that he will provide an interim report to the Board regarding the November 6th General Election by December 6, 2012.

Adjournment

- There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:12 pm.