



**Pulaski County Election Commission
Meeting Minutes
May 17, 2014
2:00 p.m.**

Members Present

Leonard A. Boyle, Sr.
Chris Burks
John Parke

Staff Present

Bryan Poe
Tonya Washington
Jodie Dildy

Visitors Present: Darrell Lane, County Clerk's office; Kevin Gorman

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Leonard A. Boyle, Sr. A quorum was determined; all members present.

Approval of Meeting Minutes

Motion to table meeting minutes was made by Chairman Boyle. It was moved by Commissioner Parke and seconded by Chairman Boyle. All in favor; motion passed by voice vote.

Business

Poll Worker Training - the last day of poll worker training is currently in progress. Currently 786 workers have been trained through May 10.

Early Vote Totals as of Friday, May 9, 2014 - 6,646

Dem - 3101

Rep - 3502

NP 38

Compared to early voting in the 2012 Primary (7,793), this is approximately a 15% drop in voter turnout. Absentee has decreased approximately 40% from over 1,000 in 2013 to currently 570.

Update on Supreme Court Decision

The final decision on the PCEC vs. SBEC case; first putting aside Judge Tim Fox's decision saying that the voter ID issue was not in the original case. The court ruled in favor of the PCEC against the SBEC regarding the emergency rules being that the SBEC could not promulgate rules that were not in accordance with legislative laws. There is also a case

involving the ACLU, which the PCEC is not a part of, with decision pending that could affect voter ID procedures.

The case involving Valerie Bailey was declared moot being there was not enough time to place her name back on the ballot.

In the case involving Judge Tim Fox, the lower court's decision was upheld by the state Supreme Court in that he was eligible to remain on the ballot.

I Power, the software that drives the voter registration database, was down again on Monday of this week. A software update was conducted on Wednesday and it has been fine since that time.

The State Board of Election Commissioners has a meeting scheduled for Monday, May 19, 2014 at 10:30 a.m. Mr. Poe will be attending the meeting.

The next county board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 20, 2014 at 5:30 p.m. Meeting will be conducted to review Political Practice Pledges for the City of Sherwood candidates and to canvass absentee ballots.

Other Business

No other business

Meeting adjourned.