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The State Board of Elections Meeting was held on Saturday, April 9, 2016. The meeting was held in the Omni Homestead, 1766 Homestead Drive, Monroe Room, Hot Springs, Virginia. In attendance, representing the State Board of Elections (SBE) was James Alcorn, Chairman; Clara Belle Wheeler, Vice Chair; Singleton McAllister, Secretary. Also in attendance, representing the Department of Elections (ELECT) was Edgardo Cortés, Commissioner. Chairman Alcorn called the meeting to order at 8:45AM.

Chairman Alcorn announced the passing of Martha Brissette, ELECT Policy Analyst. Chairman Alcorn stated that Ms. Brissette's value to the elections community,

Analyst. Chairman Alcorn stated that Ms. Brissette's value to the elections community, her wit, dedication, and personality will be truly missed by all in the entire elections community.

Chairman Alcorn stated that this meeting of SBE was designed to gather comments from the public and the elections community. Chairman Alcorn stated that it has been a practice of the Board to receive comment and input regarding the election practices and shared lessons in the Commonwealth. Chairman Alcorn discussed the SBE workplan that was established at the last SBE meeting on March 15, 2016. Chairman Alcorn stated that three major areas of exploration were established and that each member of SBE will be leading a different effort. Chairman Alcorn stated that those assignments were as follows; Chairman Alcorn – Voter Registration, Vice Chair Wheeler – Election Official Training, and Secretary McAllister – Access to the polls. Chairman Alcorn stated that the assignments were based off of the feedback previously received from the elections community. Chairman Alcorn asked if there were any comments or questions for the Board members. Comments were received by SBE Board members and responses to questions were provided by SBE and the Commissioner.

Secretary McAllister moved that the Board adjourn. Vice Chair Wheeler seconded the motion and without further comment the Board voted unanimously to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 9:30AM.

The Board shall reconvene on April 28, 2016 at 11:00AM in the General Assembly Building, Room C, Richmond, Virginia.

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