

State Board of Elections  
Tuesday, April 11, 2023  
FINAL Meeting Minutes

1           The State Board of Elections (“the Board”) meeting was held on Tuesday, April 11, 2023  
2   in Senate Room 3 of the Virginia State Capitol in Richmond, Virginia. The meeting also offered  
3   public participation through electronic communication so the remote public could view and hear  
4   the meeting. In attendance: John O’Bannon, Chairman; Rosalyn R. Dance, Vice Chair; Georgia  
5   Alvis-Long, Secretary; and Matthew Weinstein, member represented the State Board of  
6   Elections (“the Board”). Delegate Donald Merricks member of the Board joined the meeting  
7   electronically. Susan J. Beals, Commissioner, represented the Department of Elections  
8   (“ELECT”), and Travis Andrews and Flora Hezel represented the Office of the Attorney General  
9   (“OAG”). Chairman O’Bannon called the meeting to order at 1:00 P.M.

10           The first item of business was the approval of the minutes presented by Secretary Alvis-  
11   Long. Vice Chair Dance moved *that the Board approve the minutes*. Mr. Weinstein seconded the  
12   motion and the motion passed unanimously. A roll call vote was taken:

13           Chairman O’Bannon – Aye

14           Vice Chair Dance – Aye

15           Secretary Alvis-Long – Aye

16           Mr. Weinstein – Aye

17           Delegate Merricks – Aye

18           The second item of business was the Commissioner’s Report presented by Commissioner  
19   Beals. Commissioner Beals expressed her appreciation to the General Registrars (“GR”),  
20   Electoral Boards, and Officers of Elections for their work on the March 7th, March 28th, April  
21   4th, and April 11th Special Elections in King William County, Henrico County, the City of

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22 Richmond, Charles City County, Hanover County, Greene County, and Frederick County. The  
23 Commissioner stated that Election Services and the GRs have been processing candidate  
24 paperwork for State and local candidates. Commissioner Beals stated that due to General  
25 Assembly members retiring, and changes in the district due to redistricting, ELECT has seen an  
26 increase in first time candidates and incumbents running for office. The Commissioner informed  
27 the Board that ELECT had some issues receiving candidates' filings through the mail, and  
28 therefore, requested the Board approve the candidate filing extensions request added to the  
29 agenda.

30 The third item of business was the Certification of the March 28th Special Election  
31 presented by Paul Saunders, Elections and Registrations Services Supervisor. *This memo is in the*  
32 *Working Papers for the April 11, 2023 Meeting.* ELECT suggested the Board certify the  
33 Election. A roll call vote was taken:

34 Chairman O'Bannon – Aye

35 Vice Chair Dance – Aye

36 Secretary Alvis-Long – Aye

37 Mr. Weinstein – Aye

38 Delegate Merricks – Aye

39 The fourth item of business was the Candidate Filing Extension presented by Paul  
40 Saunders, Elections and Registrations Services Supervisor. *This memo is in the Working Papers*  
41 *for the April 11, 2023 Meeting.* Vice Chair Dance moved *that the Board grant an extension*  
42 *pursuant to Virginia Code § 24.2-503 for candidates to file the Certificate of Candidate*  
43 *Qualification and/or Statement of Economic Interests in relation to the June 2023 Primary*

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44 *Elections.* Mr. Weinstein seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously. A roll call  
45 vote was taken:

46 Chairman O'Bannon – Aye

47 Vice Chair Dance – Aye

48 Secretary Alvis-Long – Aye

49 Mr. Weinstein – Aye

50 Delegate Merricks – Aye

51 The fifth item of business was the Split Precinct Waiver Request presented by Claire  
52 Scott, ELECT Policy Analyst. Fairfax County requested the first precinct waiver. *These*  
53 *documents are in the Working Papers for the April 11, 2023 Meeting.* Martin Desjardins  
54 addressed the Board. Vice Chair Dance moved *to approve the split precinct waiver for Fairfax*  
55 *County.* Mr. Weinstein seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously. A roll call vote  
56 was taken:

57 Chairman O'Bannon – Aye

58 Vice Chair Dance – Aye

59 Secretary Alvis-Long – Aye

60 Mr. Weinstein – Aye

61 Delegate Merricks – Aye

62 The second split precinct request was from Loudoun County. Richard Keech addressed  
63 the Board. *These documents are in the Working Papers for the April 11, 2023 Meeting.* Vice

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64 Chair Dance moved *to approve the split precinct waiver for precinct 321 and 326 of Loudoun*  
65 *County*. Mr. Weinstein seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously. A roll call vote  
66 was taken:

67 Chairman O'Bannon – Aye

68 Vice Chair Dance – Aye

69 Secretary Alvis-Long – Aye

70 Mr. Weinstein – Aye

71 Delegate Merricks – Aye

72 Vice Chair Dance moved *to defer review of the split precinct waiver request for precinct*  
73 *713 of Loudoun County for the Friday, April 14, 2023 meeting*. Mr. Weinstein seconded the  
74 motion and the motion passed unanimously. A roll call vote:

75 Chairman O'Bannon – Aye

76 Vice Chair Dance – Aye

77 Secretary Alvis-Long – Aye

78 Mr. Weinstein – Aye

79 Delegate Merricks – Aye

80 The third split precinct request was from Prince William County. *These documents are in*  
81 *the Working Papers for the April 11, 2023 Meeting*. Vice Chair Dance moved *to approve the*  
82 *split precinct waiver for Prince William County*. Mr. Weinstein seconded the motion and the  
83 motion passed unanimously. A roll call vote was taken:

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84 Chairman O'Bannon – Aye

85 Vice Chair Dance – Aye

86 Secretary Alvis-Long – Aye

87 Mr. Weinstein – Aye

88 Delegate Merricks – Aye

89 The sixth item of business was the Voter Registration Application update presented by  
90 Ashley Coles, ELECT Policy Analyst. *This memo is in the Working Papers for the April 11,*  
91 *2023 Meeting.* Vice Chair Dance moved to defer review of the Voter Registration Application for  
92 *the Friday, April 14, 2023 meeting.* Mr. Weinstein seconded the motion and a motion passed  
93 unanimously. A roll call vote was taken:

94 Chairman O'Bannon – Aye

95 Vice Chair Dance – Aye

96 Secretary Alvis-Long – Aye

97 Mr. Weinstein – Aye

98 Delegate Merricks – Aye

99 The seventh item of business was the KnowInk Pollbook Certification presented by  
100 Johnathan Barbett, Director of Information Security. *These documents are in the Working Papers*  
101 *for the April 11, 2023 Meeting.* Chairman O'Bannon opened the floor to public comment. Ann  
102 Grigorian addressed the Board. Vice Chair Dance moved to defer the KnowInk Pollbook  
103 *Certification until the Friday, April 14, 2023 meeting.* A roll call vote was taken:

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104 Chairman O'Bannon – Aye

105 Vice Chair Dance – Aye

106 Secretary Alvis-Long – Aye

107 Mr. Weinstein – Aye

108 Delegate Merricks – Aye

109 Chairman O'Bannon opened the floor to Public Comment. Jeff McVey, Shelly

110 Oberlander, Ann Grigoriann, Lauren Moore, and Andi Bayer addressed the Board.

111 At 1:45 P.M., Vice Chair Dance stated Pursuant to Virginia Code Section 2.2-  
112 3711(A)(7), I move *that the Board go into closed session for the purpose of discussing pending*  
113 *and threatened litigation. In accordance with Section 2.2-3712(F), Susan Beals, Commissioner*  
114 *of Elections, and Flora Hezel and Travis Andrews of the Office of the Attorney General, will*  
115 *attend the closed session because their presence will reasonably aid the Board in its*  
116 *consideration of the subject of the meeting.* Mr. Weinstein seconded the motion and the motion  
117 passed unanimously. A roll call vote was taken:

118 Chairman O'Bannon – Aye

119 Vice Chair Dance – Aye

120 Secretary Alvis-Long – Aye

121 Mr. Weinstein – Aye

122 Delegate Merricks – Aye

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123 At 2:07 P.M., Vice Chair Dance moved *to reconvene the meeting in open session, and*  
124 *take a roll call vote certifying that to the best of each member's knowledge (i) only such public*  
125 *business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under this chapter and (ii)*  
126 *only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting*  
127 *was convened were heard or discussed by the State Board of Elections.* Mr. Weinstein seconded  
128 the motion and the motion passed unanimously. A roll call vote was taken:

129 Chairman O'Bannon – Aye

130 Vice Chair Dance – Aye

131 Secretary Alvis-Long – Aye

132 Mr. Weinstein – Aye

133 Delegate Merricks – Aye

134 The meeting adjourned at 2:08 P.M.

135 John M. O'Bannon

136 Chairman

137 Don Galt

138 Vice-Chair

139 Georgia Alvis-Long

140 Secretary

141 Smallwin Mitchell

142 Board Member

143 [Signature]

144 Board Member