

1           The State Board of Elections (“the Board”) meeting was held on Tuesday,  
2 August 16, 2022, in Senate Room A of the Pocahontas Building in Richmond,  
3 Virginia. The meeting also offered public participation through electronic  
4 communication so the remote public could view and hear the meeting. In  
5 attendance: Robert Brink, Chairman; John O’Bannon, Vice Chairman; Georgia  
6 Alvis-Long, Secretary, Angela Chiang, and Delegate Donald Merricks, members;  
7 represented the State Board of Elections (“the Board”). Susan J. Beals,  
8 Commissioner, represented the Department of Elections (“ELECT”), and Joshua  
9 Lief represented the Office of the Attorney General (“OAG”). Chairman Brink  
10 called the meeting to order at 1:00 P.M.

11           The first item of business was the approval of the minutes, presented by  
12 Secretary Alvis-Long. Vice Chair O’Bannon moved *that the Board approve the*  
13 *minutes from the July 5, 2022 Board Meeting*. Ms. Chiang seconded the motion  
14 and the motion passed unanimously. A roll call vote was taken:

15           Chairman Brink – Aye  
16           Vice Chair O’Bannon – Aye  
17           Secretary Alvis-Long – Aye  
18           Ms. Chiang – Aye  
19           Delegate Merricks – Aye

20           The second item of business was the Commissioner’s Report, presented by  
21 Commissioner Beals. Commissioner Beals informed the Board that ELECT has  
22 been making updates to the General Registrar and Electoral Board (“GREB”)  
23 Handbook to reflect new legislative requirements. The Commissioner informed the  
24 Board that ELECT has conducted an all-day training across the Commonwealth for  
25 General Registrars and Electoral Board Members. Commissioner Beals advised the  
26 Board that ELECT receives weekly reports of deaths from the Department of Vital  
27 Statistics, to provide to local registrars to remove from the voting roll. The  
28 Commissioner informed the Board that early voting starts September 23, 2022, the  
29 last day to registrar to vote is October 17, 2022, and Election Day is November 8,  
30 2022.

31           The third item of business was the Political Party Abbreviations for General  
32 and Special Election presented by Paul Saunders, Elections and Registration  
33 Services Supervisor. *This memo is in the Working Papers for the August 16, 2022*  
34 *Meeting.* Vice Chair O’Bannon moved *that the Board approve the party*  
35 *abbreviations as presented by staff for general and special elections being held*  
36 *through April 30, 2023.* Ms. Chiang seconded the motion and the motion passed  
37 unanimously. A roll call vote was taken:

38           Chairman Brink – Aye

39 Vice Chair O'Bannon – Aye

40 Secretary Alvis-Long – Aye

41 Ms. Chiang – Aye

42 Delegate Merricks – Aye

43 The fourth item of business was the Revision of SBE Ballot Standards,  
44 presented by Paul Saunders, Elections and Registration Services Supervisor. *This*  
45 *report is in the Working Papers for the August 16, 2022 Meeting.* Chairman Brink  
46 opened the floor to public comment. Thomas Kasperek addressed the Board.  
47 Delegate Merricks moved *that the Board adopt the revised State Board of*  
48 *Elections Ballot Standards and make them effective as of August 16, 2022.* Ms.  
49 Chiang seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously. A roll call vote  
50 was taken:

51 Chairman Brink – Aye

52 Vice Chair O'Bannon – Aye

53 Secretary Alvis-Long – Aye

54 Ms. Chiang – Aye

55 Delegate Merricks – Aye

56 The fifth item of business was Stand by Your Ad hearings, presented by  
57 Tammy Alexander, Campaign Finance Compliance and Training Specialist. The

58 first complaint was against Jackson for Roanoke. Mrs. Alexander informed the  
59 Board that one complaint was submitted for two undisclosed yard signs. She  
60 advised the Board that this is a first time violation, not within 14 days of an  
61 Election. Mr. Jackson addressed the Board.

62 Vice Chair O'Bannon moved *subject to the Board's authority under the*  
63 *Code of Virginia §24.2-955.3, to find Jamaal Jackson in violation of §24.32-956*  
64 *Stand By Your Ad print media disclosure requirements with regard to two yard*  
65 *signs, and assess a \$25 civil penalty.* Ms. Chiang seconded the motion and the  
66 motion passed unanimously. A roll call vote was taken:

67 Chairman Brink – Aye

68 Vice Chair O'Bannon – Aye

69 Secretary Alvis-Long – Aye

70 Ms. Chiang – Aye

71 Delegate Merricks – Aye

72 The next complaint was against Volosin for Roanoke. Mrs. Alexander  
73 informed the Board that numerous complaints were submitted for five undisclosed  
74 sample ballots. She advised the Board that this is a first time violation, within the  
75 14 days prior to an Election. Ms. Chiang moved *subject to the Board's authority*  
76 *under the Code of Virginia §24.2-955.3, to find Peter Volosin in violation of*

77 §24.32-956 *Stand By Your Ad* print media disclosure requirements with regard to  
78 *five print media advertisements, and assess a \$50 civil penalty.* Delegate Merricks  
79 seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously. A roll call vote was  
80 taken:

81 Chairman Brink – Aye

82 Vice Chair O’Bannon – Aye

83 Secretary Alvis-Long – Aye

84 Ms. Chiang – Aye

85 Delegate Merricks – Aye

86 The sixth item of business was Ballots on Demand System Certification  
87 Standards 2022, presented by Karen Hoyt-Stewart, Locality Security (Voting  
88 Tech) Program Manager. *This report is in the Working Papers for the August 16,*  
89 *2022 Meeting.* Chairman Brink opened the floor to public comment. Ned Jones,  
90 Thomas Kasperek, James Manship and Jill Mobley addressed the Board. Vice  
91 Chair O’Bannon moved *that the Board approve the adoption of the proposed*  
92 *Ballot on Demand Systems Certification Standards, effective immediately. Vendors*  
93 *for Ballot on Demand systems for use in Virginia must comply with these*  
94 *standards.* Ms. Chiang seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.  
95 A roll call vote was taken:

96 Chairman Brink – Aye

97 Vice Chair O’Bannon – Aye

98 Secretary Alvis-Long – Aye

99 Ms. Chiang – Aye

100 Delegate Merricks – Aye

101 The seventh item of business was Split Precinct Waiver Request, presented  
102 by Steven Koski, ELECT Policy Analyst. Northumberland County requested the  
103 first precinct waiver. *These documents are in the Working Papers for the August*  
104 *16, 2022 Meeting.* Delegate Merricks moved *that the Board approve the Waiver to*  
105 *Administer a Split Precinct as requested by Northumberland County.* Ms. Chiang  
106 seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously. A roll call vote was  
107 taken:

108 Chairman Brink – Aye

109 Vice Chair O’Bannon – Aye

110 Secretary Alvis-Long – Aye

111 Ms. Chiang – Aye

112 Delegate Merricks – Aye

113 The second split precinct request was from City of Virginia Beach.  
114 *These documents are in the Working Papers for the August 16, 2022 Meeting.*

115 Delegate Merricks moved *that the Board approve the Waiver to Administer a Split*  
116 *Precinct as requested by City of Virginia Beach*. Ms. Chiang seconded the motion  
117 and the motion passed unanimously. A roll call vote was taken:

118 Chairman Brink – Aye

119 Vice Chair O’Bannon – Aye

120 Secretary Alvis-Long – Aye

121 Ms. Chiang – Aye

122 Delegate Merricks – Aye

123 The third split precinct request was from Fluvanna County. *These documents*  
124 *are in the Working Papers for the August 16, 2022 Meeting*. Delegate Merricks  
125 moved *that the Board approve the Waiver to Administer a Split Precinct as*  
126 *requested by Fluvanna County*. Ms. Chiang seconded the motion and the motion  
127 passed unanimously. A roll call vote was taken:

128 Chairman Brink – Aye

129 Vice Chair O’Bannon – Aye

130 Secretary Alvis-Long – Aye

131 Ms. Chiang – Aye

132 Delegate Merricks – Aye

133 The eighth item of business was the Risk Limiting Audit Proposed form

134 SBE 671.2(D) and Regulatory Action 1VAC20-60-80, presented by Rachel  
135 Lawless, Confidential Policy Advisor. *This report is in the Working Papers for the*  
136 *August 16, 2022 Meeting.* Chairman Brink opened the floor to public comment. C.  
137 Carter, Thomas Kasperek, Darrel Bow, and Jill Mobley addressed the Board.  
138 Delegate Merricks moved *that the Board approve the proposed Form SBE*  
139 *671.2(D) and regulatory action 1VAC20-60-80.* Ms. Chiang seconded the motion  
140 and the motion passed unanimously. A roll call vote was taken:

141 Chairman Brink – Aye  
142 Vice Chair O’Bannon – Aye  
143 Secretary Alvis-Long – Aye  
144 Ms. Chiang – Aye  
145 Delegate Merricks – Aye

146 The ninth item of business was the Report from the Office of the Attorney  
147 General on Investigations of Nottoway County presented by Joshua Lief. Mr. Lief  
148 informed the Board that there is currently an active VA State Police investigation  
149 regarding the concerns previously presented to the Board. He stated that a Special  
150 Prosecutor has been appointed to handle the case. Vice Chair O’Bannon moved  
151 *that the State Board of Elections request the Attorney General Office to suspend*  
152 *their investigation of issues related to Nottoway County pending the results of the*



153 *current ongoing VA State Police and Special Prosecutor's investigation. Secretary*

154 *Alvis-Long seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously. A roll call*

155 vote was taken:

156 Chairman Brink – Aye

157 Vice Chair O'Bannon – Aye

158 Secretary Alvis-Long – Aye

159 Ms. Chiang – Aye

160 Delegate Merricks – Aye

161 Chairman Brink opened the floor to public comment. Thomas Kasperek,

162 James Manship, Paul Theil, Dennis Black, Richard Ryan, Susan Hogge, Diana-

163 Lynn Wilson-Mitchell, Darrell Bow, Clara Belle Wheeler, Yolanda Stokes, Dianna

164 Hashemi, Ann Grigorian, Howard Hempenius, Barbara Lee, Ned Jones, Laurie

165 Jones, Karen Mineo, Thomas Reynolds, Christopher Page, Barbara Andes, and

166 Scott Mineo addressed the Board.

167 At 3:00 P.M., Delegate Merricks pursuant to Virginia Code Section 2.2-

168 3711(A)(7), moved *that the Board go into closed session for the purpose of*

169 *discussing pending and threatened litigation. In accordance with Section 2.2-*

170 *3712(F), Susan Beals, Commissioner of Elections; Joshua Lief, Office of the*

171 *Attorney General; and Lyn McDermid, Secretary of Administration will attend the*

172 *closed session because their presence will reasonably aid the Board in its*  
173 *consideration of the subject of the meeting.* Ms. Chiang seconded the motion and  
174 the motion passed unanimously. A roll call vote was taken:

175 Chairman Brink – Aye

176 Vice Chair O’Bannon – Aye

177 Secretary Alvis-Long – Aye

178 Ms. Chiang – Aye

179 Delegate Merricks – Aye

180 At 3:36 P.M., Vice Chair O’Bannon moved *to reconvene the meeting in*  
181 *open session, and take a roll call vote certifying that to the best of each*  
182 *member’s knowledge (i) only such public business matters lawfully exempted*  
183 *from open meeting requirements under this chapter and (ii) only such public*  
184 *business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting*  
185 *was convened were heard or discussed by the State Board of Elections.* Ms.  
186 Chiang seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously. A roll call  
187 vote was taken:

188 Chairman Brink – Aye

189 Vice Chair O’Bannon – Aye

190 Secretary Alvis-Long – Aye

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191 Ms. Chiang – Aye

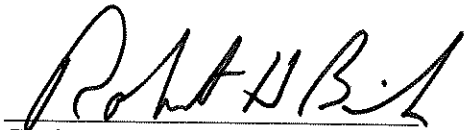
192 Delegate Merricks – Aye

193 Vice Chair O'Bannon moved *to adjourn the meeting*. Ms. Chiang seconded

194 the motion and the motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 3:37

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