

**STATE ELECTION COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
June 16, 2021
10:00 a.m.**

1122 Lady Street, 5th Floor
Columbia, SC 29201

Present: Mr. John Wells, Chairman; Ms. Joanne Day (via teleconference); Mr. Clifford J. Edler (via teleconference); Ms. Linda McCall (via teleconference); and Mr. Scott Moseley (via teleconference)

Others Present: Marci Andino, Executive Director; Howard Knapp, Director of Voter Services; Harrison Brant, General Counsel; Barbara Pittelli, Administrative Coordinator, and two members of the public

Chairman Wells called the meeting to order. Ms. Andino advised all notices of the meeting had been posted as required by the Freedom of Information Act.

COMMISSIONERS

JOHN WELLS
Chairperson

JOANNE DAY

CLIFFORD J. EDLER

LINDA MCCALL

SCOTT MOSELEY

Approval of Minutes

The first item of business was the approval of minutes for the meeting of May 19, 2021 (SEC). A motion to approve the minutes was made by Mr. Moseley, seconded by Mr. Edler. The motion was approved by unanimous vote.

New Business

MARCI ANDINO
Executive Director

The first item of new business was the Office of State Auditor. Ms. Andino stated this is a routine annual financial audit of agreed upon procedures. She advised that the entrance conference with three members of the State Auditor's office is scheduled for July.

The second item of new business was the Agency Head Evaluation. Ms. Andino stated the evaluation survey was sent to the Commission members to be completed and returned to Chairman Wells by August 1, 2021.

The last item of new business was the Process to Fill Executive Director Vacancy. Ms. Andino explained that, according to the SC Department of Human Resources (SCDHR), the vacancy can be posted on the state jobs website as well as national search websites, or the Commission can contract with an executive search firm. Ms. Andino advised a job posting based on the position description would be developed and posted for a month, applications would be reviewed, and a short list of candidates would be interviewed.

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Ms. Andino advised approval from SCDHR will be required to hire above the salary minimum. Chairman Wells suggested deferring this item to the July agenda.

Old Business

The Legislative Oversight Committees (LOC) was the first item under old business. Ms. Andino stated testimony was given at three Senate (LOC) meetings and all requested documents and materials were provided. She informed the House (LOC) will hold a public meeting on June 30, 2021 at which testimony will be given concerning voter registration list maintenance as it concerns the removal of deceased voters.

Reapportionment was the second item. Ms. Andino stated there is no change in this item as the U.S. Census data is expected at the end of September.

An update on agency goals for 2021 was the next item of old business. Ms. Andino informed the voting system upgrades are continuing at the counties, and the county compliance audits are also ongoing.

The Legislative and Budget update was the next item of old business. Ms. Andino advised House bill H3444 remains on the calendar and won't be considered until January 2022. Ms. Andino stated the budget included \$1.3 million nonrecurring funds for federal grant matching and \$930,000 recurring funds to support the statewide voting system.

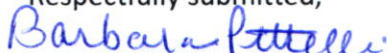
The next order of old business was the Election Infrastructure Security Update. Ms. Andino stated the Department of Homeland Security is conducting physical security assessments in each county.

The last order of old business was the legal updates. Mr. Brant stated there was nothing under that item.

Chairman Wells reminded the Commission members the next meeting will be held on July 21, 2021.

With no further business, Ms. Day made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Ms. McCall. The motion was passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,


Barbara Pittelli