

State Board of Elections
FINAL Minutes
Friday, February 22, 2019

1 The State Board of Elections (the Board) meeting was held on Friday, February 22, 2019,
2 in the Martha Brissette Conference Room of the Washington Building in Richmond, Virginia. In
3 attendance: James Alcorn, Chairman and Clara Belle Wheeler, Vice Chair. Christopher E.
4 “Chris” Piper, Commissioner represented the Department of Elections (“ELECT”). Heather Hays
5 Lockerman represented the Office of the Attorney General (“OAG”). Singleton McAllister,
6 Secretary, attended the meeting electronically, but did not participate.

7 Chairman Alcorn called the meeting to order at 2:01 p.m.

8 The first order of business was for the Board to approve the minutes from the January
9 23, 2019 meeting. Commissioner Piper explained the process of review and finalization of
10 minutes, including that Secretary McAllister reviews the draft minutes before being provided to
11 the Board for final approval. Commissioner Piper informed the Board that at this meeting
12 Secretary McAllister would not be able to vote on the approval of the minutes electronically, as
13 the meeting notice did not inform the public that the Secretary would be participating
14 electronically. The January 23, 2019 Board meeting minutes were presented by Chairman
15 Alcorn. *The Chairman moved that the Board approve the minutes from the January 23, 2019*
16 *Board meeting.* Vice Chair Wheeler seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

17 The next order of business was the Commissioner’s Report. Commissioner Piper
18 informed the Board that the court issued a final order requiring redistricting last Thursday, so
19 staff is working with localities to implement the new maps in VERIS. Vice Chair Wheeler
20 asked what steps the Department was taking to assist localities in implementing the redistricting
21 currently underway, given the short timeframe until May and June elections. She also inquired
22 about the pending appeal to the Court’s decision. Commissioner Piper explained that the Final
23 Order required “immediate implementation” and reiterated that ELECT will support the


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24 localities. Chairman Alcorn asked whether the Department and localities had the resources they
25 need for implementation. Commissioner Piper assured the Board that ELECT is prepared for
26 possible appellate action but is currently on the path of implementing the Court's Final Order per
27 the court's instruction for immediate implementation.

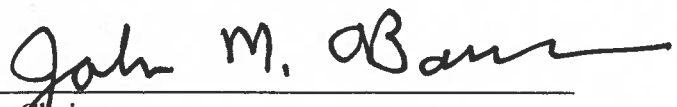
28 The next order of business was for the Board to certify the February 19th Special
29 Election. Matt Abell, Elections Administrator, presented the abstract from the February election
30 for the 86th House of Delegate showing Ibraheem S. Samirah as the winner. Mr. Abell presented
31 the Board certificates of election for approval and signature. Chairman Alcorn asked Mr. Abell if
32 he had any concerns with certifying the election. Mr. Abell replied that there were no concerns
33 regarding this election. After the Board signed the abstract and certificates, Chairman Alcorn
34 moved for the Board to certify the Delegate Ibraheem S. Samirah as the winner of the 2/19/19
35 special election. Vice Chair Wheeler seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

36 Chairman Alcorn then moved to adjourn the meeting. Vice Chair Wheeler seconded the
37 motion, and the motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 2:28 PM.

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