

MINUTES OF THE GR/EB WORKGROUP

MEETING

OCTOBER 2ND, 2019

MCGUIREWOODS CONFERENCE ROOM

CANAL PLAZA, RICHMOND, VIRGINIA

The GR/EB Workgroup convened at 10:00AM on Wednesday, October 2nd, 2019 in the McGuireWoods conference room, Richmond, Virginia.

Present: John Hager, Kate Hanley, Al Ablowich, Renee Andrews, Lisa Jeffers, Robin Lind, Barbara Gunter and Clara Belle Wheeler.

Attending from the public: A representative of the League of Women Voters, Deb Wake.

Co-Chair Hanley began the meeting with the approval of the minutes from August 22nd, 2019. Minutes were approved unanimously.

Robin Lind drafted and presented the group with an appreciation to Tracy Dean Howard, GR-Radford City for his participation in the inception of this workgroup. Robin had the Co-Chairs to sign and he will present this to Tracy.

Lisa Jeffers reported on the membership of the GR/EB Workgroup. With the resignation of Tracy Howard, there was discussion of replacing his position. At this time, the group is well attended with equal representation from VEBA and VRAV. Therefore, no additions will be needed to the workgroup.

Robin Lind gave the group an update of the VERIS replace/rebuild project. To our dismay, the project manager, Dan Burns is no longer with the project. Gary Finch has taken the position. ELECT had surveyed the Elections Community for input into the VERIS project. Discussion ensued about the project and the Department has a December 1st, 2019 deadline to submit their report. Robin will continue to keep us updated.

Michele White, Director of Elections, Prince William County has completed the survey on "What Do Elections Cost?" This is a comprehensive capture of election expenses from all localities. Motion was made to have Michele send this out to the election community ASAP with a few word changes to her revised draft, motion passed unanimously. Michele has also collected data from the Director of Elections about who got the entire 6% in salary increase. No update at this meeting; still gathering responses

Bill Bell has worked on another survey involving USPS and hopefully capturing the returning of mail as our offices would with absentee ballots. This has only resulted in 2 participants so far.

The next meeting will be Monday, November 18th, 2019 at 10:00AM at the McGuire Woods office Building.

Meeting was adjourned at 12:00.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Jeffers,

Temporary Permanent Recording Secretary

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