

Marion County Election Board Meeting Minutes

August 19, 2009

10 a.m. Room 107

Members Present: Chairman Mark Sullivan; Vice Chairman Patrick Dietrick; Secretary Elizabeth "Beth" White

Others Present: Laurel Judkins, Director of Elections; A. Scott Chinn, Election Board Counsel; Tenley Drescher-Rhodes, Election Board Counsel; Drew Carlson, Election Board Counsel; Myla Eldridge, Deputy Director of Elections; Cindy Mowery, Terry Burns, Angie Nussmeyer, Michael Weiseman, Jenny Troutman, Will French, D. Michael Wallman, Andy Mallon, Adam Kirsch, Jim Shella, Bob Harris, Todd Mullen, Jeff Qualkinbush, Janet Buchanan, Dan McGinnis, Greg Muyer, Ed Tracey, Rose Houff, Lori Wright.

- I. **Call to Order:** Chairman Sullivan called the meeting to order
- II. **Ratification of Meeting Minutes:** Vice Chairman Dietrick motioned to approve last meetings minutes. Madame Clerk seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.
- III. **Ratification of New Hire – William French:** Laurel Judkins stated the Marion County Election Board is approved and funded for seven full time positions. Since the beginning of the year, the MCEB has had one full time position open. Laurel Judkins added that a technology specialist was needed in the MCEB and Will French was the best suited candidate for this position. Madame Clerk moved to ratify the hiring of William French. Vice Chairman Dietrick seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.
 - a. Addendum to Professional Services Agreement: Madame Clerk moved to approve the addendum to Will French's professional service agreement. The addendum ended the professional services agreement. Vice Chairman Dietrick seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.
- IV. **Ratification of Memoranda of Understanding**
 - a. **Ratification of Memorandum of Understanding by and between Marion County and Health and Hospital Corporation of Marion County:** Laurel Judkins stated that Health and Hospital is responsible for paying a percentage of the cost of this election. The estimated cost for this Special Election is 1.135 million dollars. Heath and Hospital Corp. will pay 92 percent of the cost. Where Perry School Corp. pays 5 percent of the cost. Franklin School Corp. pays 2 percent of the cost and Beech Grove School Corp. will pay 1 percent of the cost. Laurel Judkins mentioned the cost is based on a per precinct basis. Health and Hospital Corp. agrees with this ratification of memorandum. Madame Clerk motioned to approve the ratification of memorandum of understanding between

Marion County and Health and Hospital Corporation of Marion County. Vice Chairman Dietrick seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

- b. **Ratification of Memorandum of Understanding by and between Marion County and the Metropolitan School District of Perry Township:** Laurel Judkins mentioned that Perry Township School District wishes to go through ratification of memorandum of understanding to cover their portion of the cost of the election. Laurel Judkins stated by Indiana law, Perry Township is required to cover their cost of the election. Madame Clerk motioned to approve the ratification of memorandum of understanding between Marion County and the Metropolitan School District of Perry Township. Vice Chairman Dietrick seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

V. Professional Service Agreements: Laurel Judkins stated that during Election time, the MCEB requires the assistance of professional consultants and temporary workers. The professional consultants listed below have all previously assisted in the election process with the MCEB.

- a. Satellite Coordinator – Drewry Simmons Vornehm, LP:
Mr. Andrew Mallon, representative with Drewry Simmons Vornehm, LP, will be involved with every aspect dealing with the Satellite locations. The term of the contract is from August 19 to December 31, 2009. The contract is not to exceed the amount of \$21,000. Vice Chairman Dietrick motioned to approve the contract of Drewry Simmons Vornehm, LP. Madame Clerk seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.
- b. Hot Line Consultant – Allison Gritton: Ms. Gritton will be involved with every aspect of the election day Hot Line program. The term of Allison Gritton's contract is from September 21 to November 4, 2009. The price of her contract is a flat fee of \$6,000. Madame Clerk motioned to approve the contract of Allison Gritton. Vice Chairman Dietrick seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.
- c. Polling Site Coordination – Wright Business Solutions Group:
Lori Wright, representative of Wright Business Solutions Group, will assist the Election Board with polling site coordination. The term of Lori Wright's contract is from September 17 to November 5 and price is a flat fee of \$2,500. Madame Clerk motioned to approve the contract of Lori Wright. Vice Chairman Dietrick seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.
- d. Baker & Daniels Addendum: The term of the contract is not to exceed the amount of \$120,000. Madame Clerk motioned to

approve the addendum of Baker & Daniels. Vice Chairman Dietrick seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

VI. 2009 Special Election Resolution: Laurel Judkins stated that there are five separate public questions that have been certified to the Election Board. All jurisdictions, except Franklin Township, have one question. Franklin Township has two public questions. The Special Election will be held on November 3, 2009 from 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. The Election Board will be using paper ballots, which will be hand counted. Laurel Judkins stated that the once the voter has voted, they will fold the ballot and place it in a secure ballot box. Ivotronic machines (touch screen voting) will also be available at each precinct. The precinct election boards will consist of 3 members, Inspector, Clerk, and Judge. There will be 150 or so precincts that are combined. In person voting will take place in the Clerk's office from October 5 to November 1. The resolution provides for the central counting of absentee ballots, establishes satellite voting will be utilized, and one (1) absentee ballot courier may be designated to transport ballots from satellite sites to the City-County Building. The resolution also allows 16 and 17 year olds to work the polls. Madame White motioned to approve this resolution. Vice Chairman Dietrick seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

VII. Adjournment: Chairman Sullivan motioned to adjourn the meeting.

Signed: 9/16/2009

Chairman, Mark K. Sullivan

Vice Chairman, Patrick Dietrick

Secretary, Elizabeth L. White