MINUTES

OF THE STATE ELECTION BOARD

June 25, 2024

The State Election Board met in a **Regular** meeting on **Tuesday**, **June 25**, **2024**, **at 5:00 P.M**. at the State Capitol Building, Room G-3, 2300 N. Lincoln Blvd, Oklahoma City, OK 73105. Advance notice of the meeting was performed by filing a written notice with the Secretary of State on December 8, 2023, at 11:02 A.M.

Meeting was called to order by Heather Cline

ROLL CALL: Heather Cline- Present

Tim Mauldin- Present

Mignon Lambley- Present

Also present were Secretary Paul Ziriax, Assistant Secretary Rusty Clark, In-House Counsel Rachel Rogers, Assistant Attorney General Bailey Warren, and Board Clerk, Garris Dennis.

BUSINESS CONDUCTED AT THE MEETING:

- 1. Call to Order: Roll call and the announcement of a quorum.
- 2. Announcements and introductions of members and quests.
- 3. BUSINESS CONDUCTED: Discussion and possible action regarding the minutes of the meeting held on March 12, 2024. ACTION TAKEN: Ms. Lambley moved that the minutes of the meeting held on March 12, 2024 be approved. Dr. Mauldin seconded the motion. ROLL CALL VOTE: Ms. Cline-aye; Dr. Mauldin-aye; Ms. Lambley-aye. Motion passed, 3-0. (Signed Minutes attached)
- 4. BUSINESS CONDUCTED: Discussion and possible action regarding the minutes of the meeting held on March 19, 2024. ACTION TAKEN: Dr. Mauldin moved that the minutes of the meeting held on March 19, 2024 be approved. Ms. Lambley seconded the motion. ROLL CALL VOTE: Ms. Cline-aye; Dr. Mauldin-aye; Ms. Lambley-aye. Motion passed, 3-0. (Signed Minutes attached)
- 5. BUSINESS CONDUCTED: Discussion and possible action regarding the minutes of the meeting held on April 18, 2024. ACTION TAKEN: Ms. Lambley moved that the minutes of the meeting held on April 18, 2024 be approved. Dr. Mauldin seconded the motion. ROLL CALL VOTE: Ms. Cline-aye; Dr. Mauldin-aye; Ms. Lambley-aye. Motion passed, 3-0. (Signed Minutes attached)

- 6. BUSINESS CONDUCTED: Discussion and possible action regarding naming of Christie Bridges, Assistant Secretary of the Jackson County Election Board, as the acting Secretary of the Jackson County Election Board, until such time when a new Secretary may be appointed due to the death of Secretary Jennifer Wilson.

 ACTION TAKEN: Ms. Lambley moved to appoint Christie Bridges as the interim acting Secretary of the Jackson County Election Board until such time when a new Secretary may be appointed. Dr. Mauldin seconded the motion. ROLL CALL VOTE: Ms. Cline-aye; Dr. Mauldin-aye; Ms. Lambley-aye. Motion passed, 3-0.
- 7. BUSINESS CONDUCTED: Discussion and possible action regarding the vacancies created by resignation, death, attendance or change in political affiliation of the following County Election Board Members or Alternates:
 - a. Joyce Welch, Democratic Member of the Beaver County Election Board, effective May 1, 2024.
 - b. Karla R. Nickels, Alternate Democratic Member of the McClain County Election Board, effective upon her appointment as the Democratic Member of the McClain County Election Board.
 - c. Samuel Ward Graefe, Democratic Member of the McClain County Election Board, effective April 22, 2024.
 - d. Dorisann Tillery, Alternate Democratic Member of the Murray County Election Board, effective March 21, 2024.
 - e. Steven R. Jolly, Alternate Republican Member of the Murray County Election Board, effective April 8, 2024.
 - f. Gail Irwin, Democratic Member of the Noble County Election Board, effective May 31, 2024.
 - g. Paul Palmer, Alternate Republican Member of the Pittsburg County Election Board, effective April 3, 2024.
 - h. Ted Kennedy, Republican Member of the Pittsburg County Election Board, effective April 2, 2024.
 - i. Delores Beal, Republican Member of the Haskell County Election Board.
 - j. John Plunkett, Alternate Democratic Member of the Coal County Election Board, effective immediately.
 - k. Jim Moore, Democratic Member of the Harmon County Election Board, effective immediately.
 - 1. Glen D. Wiford, Republican Member of the Ottawa County Election Board, effective immediately.

ACTION TAKEN: Dr. Mauldin moved to acknowledge the resignations of the individuals listed on Agenda items 7a-7h, effective the dates set forth on the Agenda. Ms. Lambley seconded the motion.

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ROLL CALL VOTE: Ms. Cline-aye; Dr. Mauldin-aye; Ms. Lambley-aye. Motion passed, 3-0.

ACTION TAKEN: Ms. Lambley moved to acknowledge the vacancies of the individuals listed on Agenda items 7i and 7j, effective the dates set forth on the Agenda. Dr. Mauldin seconded the motion. ROLL CALL VOTE: Ms. Cline-aye; Dr. Mauldin-aye; Ms. Lambley-aye. Motion passed, 3-0.

ACTION TAKEN: Dr. Mauldin moved to acknowledge the vacancies created by Jim Moore and Glen D. Wiford missing five consecutive County Election Board Meetings as set forth by law. Ms. Lambley seconded the motion. ROLL CALL VOTE: Ms. Cline-aye; Dr. Mauldin-aye; Ms. Lambley-aye. Motion passed, 3-0.

- 8. BUSINESS CONDUCTED: Discussion and possible action regarding the appointment of the following County Election Board Members and Alternates:
 - a. Valerie Sonderegger as the Alternate Democratic Member of the McClain County Election Board, effective immediately.
 - b. Karla Nickels as the Democratic Member of the McClain County Election Board, effective immediately.
 - c. Sabrina Duck as the Alternate Democratic Member of the Murray County Election Board, effective immediately.
 - d. Greg Steidley as the Alternate Republican member of the Pittsburg County Election Board, effective immediately.
 - e. Paul Benson as the Republican Member of the Pittsburg County Election Board, effective immediately.

ACTION TAKEN: Ms. Lambley moved to appoint the individuals listed in Agenda items 8a-8e to their respective County Election Boards. Dr. Mauldin seconded the motion. ROLL CALL VOTE: Ms. Cline-aye; Dr. Mauldin-aye; Ms. Lambley-aye. Motion passed, 3-0.

- 9. BUSINESS CONDUCTED: Report by the Secretary and/or State Election Board staff, discussion, and possible action regarding the certification of the results in the Primary Election held on June 18, 2024. ACTION TAKEN: Dr. Mauldin moved to certify the results of the Primary Election held on June 18, 2024, except for certification of the State Senate District 37 Republican Primary Election. Ms. Lambley seconded the motion. ROLL CALL VOTE: Ms. Cline-aye; Dr. Mauldin-aye; Ms. Lambley-aye. Motion passed, 3-0.
- 10. BUSINESS CONDUCTED: Discussion regarding the scheduling of future meetings and requests for items to be placed on future agendas. Secretary Ziriax reminded the Board that there will be

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a Special Meeting of the State Election Board Thursday, June 27, 2024 at 1:00 P.M. to certify the results of the Republican Primary Election for State Senate District 37. The next Regular Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 3, 2024 to certify the results of the Runoff Primary Election, but there may be the need for a Special Meeting prior to September 3, 2024 to appoint a new Secretary of the Jackson County Election Board. ACTION TAKEN: No action taken.

11. BUSINESS CONDUCTED: Motion to adjourn. ACTION TAKEN: Ms. Lambley moved to adjourn until the next meeting. Dr. Mauldin seconded the Motion. ROLL CALL VOTE: Ms. Cline-aye; Dr. Mauldin-aye; Ms. Lambley-aye. Motion passed, 3-0.

FOR THE STATE ELECTION BOARD

Ms. Heather Cline, Chairman

Dr. Tim Mauldin, Vice-Chairman

Ms. Mignon Lambley, Member

Mr. Jerry Buchanan, Alternate Member

Ms. Debra Thompson, Alternate Member