

Union County Board of Elections met on April 17, 2020. Those in attendance were Robert Parrott, Chairman; Dean Cook, Board Member; William Steele, Board Member; Rebecca Pokorski, Board Member; Brandon Clay, Director; Tina LaRoche, Deputy Director; Michelle Forrider, Election Specialist and Theresa Hook, Election Specialist.

Chairman Parrott called the meeting to order at 9:09am.

Remote meeting resolution

A discussion was had on the attached resolution. Board Member Pokorski motioned to accept resolution as it is. Board Member Cook seconded the motion.

- The motion was passes unanimously.

Election updates

Director Clay and Deputy Laroche gives the board on updates on how the Election is going so far. Deputy LaRoche updated the website on how to hand write your own absentee request form.

Director Clay and Deputy LaRoche thought that opening the day with a Zoom meeting was fine. They asked the Board to be on call on Election day.

It was agreed upon to have the Official canvas meeting on May 12, at 9 am.

Budget Review

- Deputy LaRoche goes over the budget. She gives the board an overview on where she can make Budget cuts. A motion to accept budget cuts was made by Board Member Cook and seconded by Board Member Pokorski.
- The motion was passes unanimously.

Adjournment

- A motion to adjourn was made by Board Member Cook and seconded by Board Member Pokorski.
- The motion by unanimously

Chairman Parrott closes the meeting at 10:31 am.

Attest:  Chairman: 

Michelle Forrider, Election Specialist

Robert Parrott, Chairman

**BOARD OF ELECTIONS
UNION COUNTY, OHIO
RESOLUTION No. 2020 - 01**

The Board of Elections (the "Board"), Union County, Ohio (the "County") met in regular session on April 17, 2020, at the Union County Freedom Center, 835 East Fifth Street, Suite A, Marysville, Ohio 43040, with these members present: Robert W. Parrott, William C. Steele, Dean E. Cook, and Rebecca R. Pokorski.

Rebecca R. Pokorski introduced this resolution and moved its passage:

A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING POLICIES AND PROCEDURES FOR REMOTE
PARTICIPATION IN MEETINGS AND HEARINGS DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC
EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, Am.Sub.H.B. 197 was signed by Governor DeWine on Friday, March 27, 2020;
and

WHEREAS, the Board is mindful of the need to observe the guidance from Dr. Amy Acton, Director of the Ohio Department of Public Health and Governor Mike DeWine, and the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to reduce the spread of the COVID-19 virus by practicing physical distancing and avoiding nonfamily gatherings while concurrently fulfilling the duties of county commissioners ; and

WHEREAS, Section 12 of Am.Sub.H.B No. 197 provides for limited relief from the "in person" requirements of R.C. §121.22(C) if the public body meets certain terms and conditions; and

WHEREAS the Board determines that it is in the public interest for the Board of Elections, Union County, Ohio, to implement the provisions of Section 12 in Am.Sub.H.B. No. 197;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF ELECTIONS, UNION COUNTY, OHIO,
THAT:

Section 1. During the remaining period of the Emergency declared in Executive Order 2020-01D, dated March 9, 2020, any member of the Board may participate in any meeting or hearing conducted by the Board by means of remote participation through the then currently designated electronic technology.

Section 2. From the date of this Resolution the electronic technology designated for meetings and hearings before this Board is Zoom Communications Platform (Zoom), by Zoom Video Communications, Inc., until changed by resolution of this Board.

Section 3. From the date of this Resolution until the earliest of the end of the Emergency Period under Executive Order 2020-01D, further resolution of this Board, or December 1, 2020, all meetings of the Board be conducted using Zoom on the regular monthly schedule (first Tuesday) and at the regular time (1.00 p.m., Eastern Time) and any special meetings called according to the adopted written policy of the Board for special meetings; the Director or Deputy Director shall give notice that the Board will use Remote Participation for its meetings and hearings. Such notice shall include posting on the Board's webpage at the Union County website (<https://www.co.union.oh.us/board-of-elections>); and posting on the front door of the Board office at 835 East Fifth Street, Marysville.

Section 4. The Director or Deputy Director shall post on the Board's webpage at the Union County website (<https://www.co.union.oh.us/board-of-elections>) and on the front door of the Board office at 835 East Fifth Street, Marysville, the information for joining each meeting or hearing by video or audio not less than 24 hours before the beginning of each session of this Board.

Section 5. During the time the Board is using Remote Participation, any person who has materials to submit or show to the Board as part of any presentation to or discussion with the Board is encouraged to submit those materials in pdf format to the Director or Deputy Director not less than 24 hours before the scheduled start of a board meeting, and if not submitted prior to the board meeting must be able to submit such materials in pdf format to the Director or Deputy Director as an email attachment.

Section 6. During the time the Board is using Remote Participation, an affirmative vote by a Board Member on any matter submitted to the Board for a vote includes that member's consent and authorization for the Director or Deputy Director of the Board to affix the member's electronic signature to the resolution or other matter if it is adopted by the Board.

Section 7. There shall not be more than one board member participating remotely from the same location.

Section 8. The Board finds and determines that all of its formal actions concerning and relating to adopting this Resolution occurred in an open meeting of this Board, and that all deliberations of this Board that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public and in compliance with all legal requirements including Revised Code §121.22.

Dean E. Cook seconded the motion and after discussion, the chair called a roll call vote, and the results were:

Robert W. Parrott	Yes
William C. Steele	Yes
Dean E. Cook	Yes
Rebecca R. Pokorski	Yes

Passed: April 17, 2020

UNION COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS
UNION COUNTY, OHIO

ATTEST:




Michelle Forrider



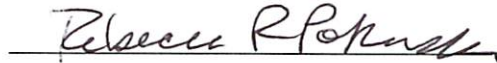
Robert W. Parrott



William C. Steele



Dean E. Cook



Rebecca R. Pokorski

Approved as to Form:



Thayne D. Gray
Assistant Prosecuting Attorney

CERTIFICATION

I certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of Board Resolution 2020 -01_ adopted on April 17, 2020.

Name: Brandon Clay
Position: Director