

The Union County Board of Elections met on February 9, 2023. Those in attendance were Chairman William Steele; Board Members Gary Lee, Dean Cook, and Rebecca Pokorski; Director Michelle Forrider; Deputy Director Brandon Clay; Election Specialist Gretchen Kinney; SOS Liaison Susie O'Brien via phone

Chairman Steele called the meeting to order at 1:00pm.

Approve minutes from December 6, 2022 meeting

Board Member Lee moved to approve the minutes with Board Member Pokorski seconding.

- The motion passed unanimously.

Approve Bills

Director Forrider presented bills for approval.

1. Verizon
2. Quill
3. Pitney Bowes
4. Visa
5. Richwood Bank
6. BallotSync
7. Staff travel expenses

Board Member Pokorski motioned to approve bills with Board Member Cook seconding the motion.

- The motion passed unanimously.

Approve Campaign Finance

Director Forrider presented Campaign Finance for approval.

1. Union County Republican Party – General Fund Annual
2. Union County Republican Party – Restricted Fund Annual
3. Union County Democratic Party – Scholarship Fund Annual
4. Union County Democratic Party – Restricted Fund Annual
5. Union County Democratic Party – General Fund Annual
6. Union County 911 Committee – Semiannual
7. Union County 911 Committee – Annual
8. Citizens to Re-Elect David Phillips Prosecutor – Annual
9. Residents for Jerome Township – Annual
10. Citizens Committee For People with Developmental Disabilities – Annual
11. Friends of Tony Eufinger – Annual
12. Woodring, Bochkor, and Yoder for School Board – Annual
13. Citizen for Schools Committee – Annual
14. The Friends of the Union County Health Department Levy Committee – Annual
15. Lori Lacella for Allen Township Fiscal Officer Committee – Annual
16. Friends to Elect Keith Conroy – Annual
17. Committee to Elect Kim Zacharias County Commissioner – Annual
18. North Union Levy Committee – Annual
19. Sullivan for Union County Clerk of Courts – Annual
20. Committee to Elect Andrea L Weaver – Post General
21. Committee to Elect Andrea L Weaver - Annual
22. Smarra for Treasurer – Annual

23. Citizens for Senior Services, Better Roads and Safer Bridges – Post General
24. Safer Jerome – Annual
25. Committee to Elect Robert W Parrott for Municipal Court Judge – Annual
26. Stauch for County Engineer – Annual
27. Friends of Jamie Patton for Sheriff – Annual
28. Scott Hunter for Marysville – Semiannual
29. Scott Hunter for Marysville – Post General
30. Scott Hunter for Marysville - DOT
31. Scott Hunter for Marysville – Annual
32. Support Your Library Levy Committee – Annual
33. Shaw for Trustee – Post General/Termination
34. Supporters of the Richwood-North Union Public Library – Annual/Termination

Board Member Lee motioned to approve the Campaign Finance with Board Member Pokorski seconding.

- The motion passed unanimously.

2023 YTD budget summary

Director Forrider presented the YTD budget. There were no questions or concerns.

2022 Chargebacks

Director Forrider presented a draft of the 2022 Chargebacks assembled by B Fink Consulting, Inc. Director Forrider and Deputy Director Clay asked the Board to consider contracting with B Fink Consulting, Inc to manage chargebacks. Board Member Cook made the motion to contract with B Fink Consulting, Inc to manage chargebacks with Board Member Pokorski seconding.

- The motion passed unanimously.

Municipal Court Judge

Director Forrider stated Robert Parrott is running unopposed for Municipal Court Judge in the May Primary 2023. This requires a motion declaring Robert Parrott's nomination; Board Member Lee motioned to approve the nomination with Board Member Pokorski seconding. A motion from the Board is also required to certify Robert Parrott to be on the November General Ballot; Board Member Cook motioned to certify Robert Parrot with Chairman Steele seconding.

*Both motions passed unanimously.

Questions and Issues

- Marysville Exempted Village School District

Director Forrider presented MEVSD for the May Primary Ballot. Board Member Pokorski moved to approve with Board Member Lee seconding.

- Local Option Petition

Director Forrider presented the Local Option Petition for the May Primary Ballot. Board Member Pokorski moved to approve with Board Member Lee seconding.

- Both motions passed unanimously.

May Election

- Polling Locations

Director Forrider stated that with the 2 Issues on the May Ballot only 6 of the 10 polling locations will need to be open. Director Forrider and Deputy Director Clay requested that

Millcreek precinct be moved to the National Guard and send those voters an acknowledgement letter of precinct change along with an absentee request if the voter chooses to vote absentee. Board Member Cook motioned to move Millcreek precinct to National Guard for the May 2023 Primary along with sending those precinct voters an acknowledgement letter and absentee request. Board Member Lee seconded the motion.

- **PEO**

Director Forrider requested, with the May 2023 Primary being a small election, only 2 poll workers per precinct. Director Forrider explained that the SOS guideline minimum is 2 poll workers per precinct in multi-precinct polling locations. Board Member Lee motioned to have 2 poll workers per precinct in the multi-precinct polling locations for the May 2023 Primary. Board Member Pokorski seconded the motion.

*Both motions passed unanimously.

Marysville Referendum

Director Forrider stated that the signatures for the Marysville Referendum were all checked by the bipartisan BOE staff and returned to the City of Marysville. Director Forrider mentioned that the Referendum will need certified to be placed on the November General Election. The Board Members tabled this discussion until the April 4th Board meeting.

Precinct splits

Director Forrider and Deputy Director Clay explained the addition of precincts due to the increasing number of voters. Marysville 3 split adding Marysville 16, Marysville 11 split adding Marysville 17, Marysville 12 split adding Marysville 18; Jerome 1 split adding Jerome 7; and Dublin City 1 split adding Dublin City 3 with a total of 50 precincts. Board Member Cook motioned to approve the added precincts as proposed with Board Member Pokorski seconding.

- The motion passed unanimously.

Reorganization/March meeting

Director Forrider stated that the Reorganization needs to be completed by 3/2/2023-3/6/2023 which requires the March Board Meeting to be rescheduled. Chairman Steele motioned that the Board Meeting be rescheduled for Thursday March 2, 2023 at 1:00pm with Board Member Lee seconding.

- The motion passed unanimously.

Misc

- **Outreach**

Director Forrider mentioned exploring ways to increase the Union County BOE outreach. Possibilities include advertising on the Union County Chamber of Commerce website as well as placing paperwork in the reality welcome packets.

- **Voting Education**

Director Forrider stated that herself and Deputy Director Clay will be going to the Early College High School on March 3rd, 2023 and the Marysville High School on March 31st to provide voting education.

- **Outages**

Director Forrider made the Board aware of four power outages over the last two months, which included no internet or phone service. Director Forrider did explain that our Triad system was still working.

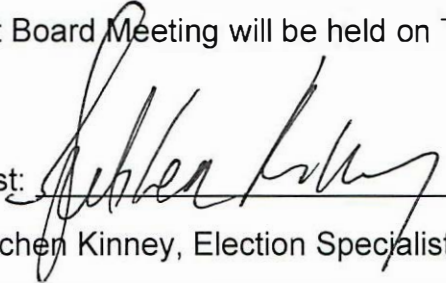
- **Ballot Box Surveillance Directive**

Director Forrider explained this directive mandates the need for a ballot box camera. Director Forrider and Deputy Director Clay mentioned they are awaiting further direction on the directive from the SOS as well as the current state of the county cameras on site.

Board Member Pokorski moved to adjourn the meeting with Board Member Lee seconding.

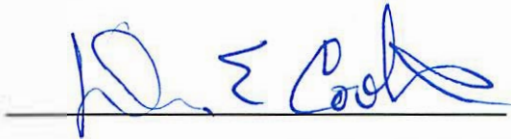
Next Board Meeting will be held on Thursday March 2nd at 1:00pm.

Attest:



Gretchen Kinney, Election Specialist

Chairman:



Dean E. Cook, Chairman