

**Union County Board of Elections**  
**Board Meeting**  
**July 10, 2023**

The July meeting of the Union County Board of Elections was called to Order at 10:00 am by Chair Libby Stephens. Linda Hill led the invocation.

A Quorum was established. Board members in attendance: Libby Stephens, Pat Christ, Riccardo Rivas, Jim Fitzgerald and Linda Hill. From the voting public: Marsha Lodes, Lisa Campbell, Julie Hood, Dean Antalik, and David Brookins were in attendance.

The Agenda was distributed and approved as presented. Minutes for the June meeting were approved as presented.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- New Board Member: The group welcomed Pat Christ to the Board. Pat has worked in polling locations and as has participated as a member of Vote Review team. She graduated from Harvard Law School. She is working part-time for the DA's office; is on the board of Quilter's Guild and the GOP Executive Committee.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- A representative of the SOS office is here to perform a random sample of the equipment to ensure that the equipment is on the correct version and nothing has been changed inappropriately.
- Plans for Moving – we expect to be in the new building sometime in October. The equipment/furniture will be moved for us. We will need to do the arranging in the new building. Security will need to be placed on the windows. Every room will have cameras. There are 2 or 3 rooms with only a single door for entrance. These will be for storing the equipment and other things that require extra security. Board members will be participating and providing added security of the move.
- Planning for Election in 2024: Not really able to plan until we get moved into the new building. The March 12 election is up in the air as to if we will have Voting Modules. We may still have to take the equipment out as we have in the past.
- Voting Modules: Meeting on July 18 – 1:00 pm to review/discuss the proposal to purchase the modules. If the modules are purchased and able to be delivered before the end of 2023, the move of equipment will be simplified. The modules adds security.

COMMENTS:

- Discussed use of paper ballots and the rumor of combining precincts. Other County actions were raised – while there seems to be a lot of discussion about not using the machines, Union County will follow the law. Precincts will not be combined. We may have 2 precincts voting in a single location due to lack of proper facilities.
- How did the working board come about for Union County? Libby to look up the law that enabled that for Union County.
- Voter GA – Questioned if the Board is concerned about what Voter GA is presenting to the public. Yes, we are all concerned, but we will follow the law. We have taken extra steps to reconcile all paper ballots that are printed for the county for each election. We also have performed recounts and the affirmative counts to validate that what is reported is what we can reconcile to with all of the paper ballots pre-printed for absentee and those that are printed by the equipment.
- Races on the 2020 Ballot: Libby to pull the information.

The next board meeting is Monday, August 14, 2023 at 10:00 am.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:40 am.

Respectfully submitted by:

Linda Hill  
Secretary