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Meeting Minutes - Draft MADISON ELECTION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Tuesday, July 14, 2009

4:30 PM

210 Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd.
Room 103 (City-County Building)

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Present: 6 -

Paul R. Malischke; Sybil R. Better; Rosa J. Garner; Marlena G. Deutsch;
Valerie A. Brown and Maribeth Witzel-Behl

Excused: 1 -

Marilyn E. Williams

Janet Piraino was present to represent the Mayor's Office.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Garner, seconded by Deutsch, to Approve the Minutes of June 9, 2009. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

NEW BUSINESS

1. [15328](#) Election of Committee Chair and Vice Chair for 2009-2010.

A motion was made by Deutsch, seconded by Malischke, to elect Garner as Committee Chair. The motion passed by acclamation.

The election of Vice Chair was referred to the August meeting.

REPORTS

2. [15327](#) Annual Report to the Common Council, Mayor, and City Clerk.

This item was referred to the August meeting.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

3. [13178](#) Board of Education - Common Council Liaison Committee Update (Scheduling Inservice on Election Days)

Steve Hartley, Chief of Staff for the Superintendent of the Madison Metropolitan School District, distributed the attached list of 28 schools that are

used as polling locations, and the attached schedule for the 2009-2010 school year. He reported that the school calendar is part of a collective bargaining agreement and is established three years in advance. There is some flexibility in scheduling one full inservice day, he said.

The committee requested that the school district keep presidential elections in mind when scheduling inservice days in the future. Malischke suggested listing election days on the school calendar.

4. [15024](#) Combining Wards into Reporting Units.

This item was referred to the August meeting, with the understanding that a representative of the Government Accountability Board would be invited to the meeting.

5. [15329](#) Printing Ballots In-House.

Piraino reported that the County has expressed a willingness to pursue this proposal, but needs to determine whether its print shop has the capacity to print ballots.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

6. [12845](#) Government Accountability Board Early Voting Proposal.

Malischke reported that he attended the Government Accountability Board listening session in Fitchburg, where he heard a wide variety of comments and questions from the public.

NEXT MEETING

7. [04353](#) Suggestions for future agenda items.

Committee members agreed to place the following items on the next agenda:

- Status of Online Voter Registration Resolution
- Assembly Bill 330 (absentee ballot requests)
- Annual Report
- Printing Ballots In-House
- Election of Vice Chair
- Legislative Update
- Combining Wards into Reporting Units
- Common Council Schedule for 2010

8. [05160](#) Confirmation of next MEAC meeting.

The next MEAC meeting will be held at 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, August 11.

RESOLUTION

9. [15215](#) Urging passage of enabling legislation for online voter registration.

A motion was made by Deutsch, seconded by Garner, to RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL TO ADOPT - REPORT OF OFFICER with additional language proposed. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Brown, seconded by Deutsch, to Adjourn at 5:43 p.m. The motion passed by voice vote/other.