

**Meeting
of the
Board of State Canvassers**

**August 23, 2010
Lansing Center, Rooms 201-202
Lansing, Michigan**

Called to order: 10:09 a.m.

Members present: Norman D. Shinkle – Chairperson
Erane C. Washington-Kendrick – Vice-Chairperson
Jeffrey Timmer
James Waters

Members absent: None

Agenda item: Consideration of meeting minutes for approval.

Board action on agenda item: Motion to approve as submitted. Moved by Washington-Kendrick; supported by Waters. Ayes: Shinkle, Washington-Kendrick, Timmer, Waters. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Agenda item: Canvass and certification of the August 3, 2010 primary.

Board action on agenda item: Motion that the Board certify the results reported for the primary and place the names of the nominated candidates on the November 2, 2010 general election ballot. Moved by Washington-Kendrick; supported by Timmer. Ayes: Shinkle, Washington-Kendrick, Timmer, Waters. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion that Board designate Bureau staff members to act as its representatives at any recounts which must be conducted under the Board's authority. Moved by Washington-Kendrick; supported by Waters. Ayes: Shinkle, Washington-Kendrick, Timmer, Waters. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Agenda item: Canvass and certification of the August 3, 2010 special election conducted in Schoolcraft County to subject Grant Harris, Schoolcraft County Sheriff, to a recall vote.

Board action on agenda item: Motion that the Board certify the results reported for the special recall election and determine that Grant Harris was not recalled from the office of Schoolcraft County Sheriff. Moved by Washington-Kendrick; supported by Waters. Ayes: Shinkle, Washington-Kendrick, Timmer, Waters. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Agenda item: Consideration of initiative petition form submitted for approval by Michigan Is Yours, 672 Woodbridge, Suite 201A, Detroit, Michigan 48226.

Board action on agenda item: Motion to approve the form of the initiative petition submitted by Michigan Is Yours with the understanding that the Board's approval does not extend to the substance of the proposal which appears on the petition; the substance of the summary of the proposal which appears on the signature side of the petition; or the manner in which the proposal language is affixed to the petition. Moved by Timmer; supported by Washington-Kendrick. Ayes: Shinkle, Washington-Kendrick, Timmer, Waters. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Agenda item: Assignment of ballot designations to statewide proposals qualified to appear on the November 2, 2010 general election ballot.

Board action on agenda item: Motion that the Board assign the following designations to the two statewide proposals qualified to appear on the November 2, 2010 general election ballot:

Constitutional Convention: 10-1
Senate Joint Resolution V: 10-2

Moved by Timmer; supported by Waters. Ayes: Shinkle, Washington-Kendrick, Timmer, Waters. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Agenda item: Determination of ballot wording for the two statewide proposals identified below:

Proposal 10-1: After receiving the Secretary's recommendation, a motion was entered to approve the following ballot language:

A PROPOSAL TO CONVENE A CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION FOR THE PURPOSE OF DRAFTING A GENERAL REVISION OF THE STATE CONSTITUTION

Shall a convention of elected delegates be convened in 2011 to draft a general revision of the State Constitution for presentation to the state's voters for their approval or rejection?

YES

NO

Moved by Timmer; supported by Waters. Ayes: Shinkle, Washington-Kendrick, Timmer, Waters. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Proposal 10-2: After receiving the Secretary’s recommendation, a motion was entered to approve the following ballot language:

A PROPOSAL TO AMEND THE STATE CONSTITUTION TO PROHIBIT CERTAIN FELONS FROM HOLDING ELECTIVE OFFICE AND SPECIFIED TYPES OF PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT POSITIONS

The proposed constitutional amendment would:

Make a person ineligible for election or appointment to any state or local elective office or to hold a position in public employment in this state that is policy-making or has discretionary authority over public assets, if:

- within the preceding 20 years, the person was convicted of a felony involving dishonesty, deceit, fraud, or a breach of the public trust; and
- the conviction was related to the person’s official capacity while holding any elective office or position of employment in local, state or federal government.

Require the State Legislature to enact laws to implement the prohibition.

Should this proposal be adopted?

YES

NO

Moved by Timmer; supported by Waters. Ayes: Shinkle, Washington-Kendrick, Timmer, Waters. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Agenda item:

Consideration of “new political party” petition filed on July 14, 2010 by the Tea Party, P.O. Box 23, Richville, Michigan 48757.

Testimony: Testimony was accepted from John D. Pirich; Andrea Hansen; Ruth A. Johnson, Oakland County Clerk; Chris Ward, Deputy Oakland County Clerk; Elizabeth Ziebarth; Michael Hodge; Kellie Bauer; Michael Hansel; Dierck Oostan; Kenneth David; Diane Ruhlandt; Beth Fink; Maribeth Schmidt; and Bill McMaster.

Board action on agenda item: Motion to determine that the petition form is in “substantial compliance” with the requirements of the law and that the number of valid signatures on the petition exceeds the minimum

number of valid signatures required. Moved by Washington-Kendrick; supported by Waters. Ayes: Washington-Kendrick, Waters. Nays: Shinkle, Timmer. Motion failed.

Adjourned: 12:41 p.m.

Chairperson

Vice-Chairperson

Member

Member

Date