Meeting of the Board of State Canvassers
February 8, 2016
Lansing Center, 333 E. Michigan Ave.
Lansing, Michigan

Called to order: 2:19 p.m.

Members present: Jeannette Bradshaw – Chairperson
Norman Shinkle – Vice-Chairperson
Julie Matuzak
Colleen Pero

Members absent: None.

Agenda item: Consideration of meeting minutes for approval.

Board action on agenda item: Motion to approve the minutes of the January 28, 2016 meeting as submitted. Moved by Matuzak; supported by Shinkle. Ayes: Bradshaw, Shinkle, Matuzak, Pero. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Agenda item: Consideration of whether the recall petition submitted on January 22, 2016 by Benjamin Lazarus states factually and clearly each reason for the recall of Governor Rick Snyder. The reasons for recall printed in the heading of the petition are as follows (verbatim):

Governor Rick Snyder signed Executive Order No. 2015-9, filed with the Secretary of State, on March 12, 2015, creating the State School Reform/Redesign Office within the Department of Technology, Management, and Budget, under Section II of the Order.

Board action on agenda item: The Board moved to determine that the above referenced recall petition submitted by Benjamin Lazarus on January 22, 2016 states factually and clearly each reason for the recall of Governor Rick Snyder. Moved by Shinkle; supported by Matuzak. Ayes: Bradshaw, Shinkle, Matuzak, Pero. Nays: None. Motion carried.
Consideration of whether the recall petition submitted on January 25, 2016 by Benjamin Lazarus states factually and clearly each reason for the recall of Governor Rick Snyder. The reasons for recall printed in the heading of the petition are as follows (verbatim):

Governor Snyder appointed Darnell Early to serve as Emergency Manager of Detroit Public Schools, on January 13, 2015.

Board action on agenda item: The Board moved to determine that the above referenced recall petition submitted by Benjamin Lazarus on January 25, 2016 does not state factually and clearly each reason for the recall of Governor Rick Snyder. Moved by Shinkle; supported by Matuzak. Ayes: Bradshaw, Shinkle, Matuzak, Pero. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Consideration of whether the recall petition submitted on January 25, 2016 by Benjamin Lazarus states factually and clearly each reason for the recall of Governor Rick Snyder. The reasons for recall printed in the heading of the petition are as follows (verbatim):

The Governor approved Public Act No. 82 of 2015, which amended the Natural Resources and Environmental Quality Act (Public Act No. 451 of 1994).

Board action on agenda item: The Board moved to determine that the above referenced recall petition submitted by Benjamin Lazarus on January 25, 2016 does not state factually and clearly each reason for the recall of Governor Rick Snyder. Moved by Pero; supported by Matuzak. Ayes: Bradshaw, Shinkle, Matuzak, Pero. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Consideration of whether the recall petition submitted on January 25, 2016 by Benjamin Lazarus states factually and clearly each reason for the recall of Governor Rick Snyder. The reasons for recall printed in the heading of the petition are as follows (verbatim):

Governor Rick Snyder approved P.A. No. 82 of 2015, which amended Section 3104.3 of the Natural Resources and Environmental Quality Act (P.A. No. 451 of 1994). The section authorized Department of Environmental Quality recommendations to the governor on the designation of areawide water quality planning regions and organizations relative to the governor’s responsibilities under the federal water pollution control act.

Board action on agenda item: The Board moved to determine that the above referenced recall petition submitted by Benjamin Lazarus on January 25, 2016 does not state factually and clearly each reason for the recall of Governor Rick Snyder. Moved by Matuzak; supported by Shinkle. Ayes: Bradshaw, Shinkle, Matuzak, Pero. Nays: None. Motion carried.
Agenda item: Consideration of whether the recall petition submitted on January 28, 2016 by David Bullock states factually and clearly each reason for the recall of Governor Rick Snyder. The reasons for recall printed in the heading of the petition are as follows (verbatim):

Governor Snyder declared a state of emergency in the County of Genesee and the City of Flint pursuant to the provisions of Act No. 390 of the Public Acts of 1976, filed with the Secretary of State, on January 5, 2016, and ending on February 1, 2016.

Board action on agenda item: The Board moved to determine that the above referenced recall petition submitted by David Bullock on January 28, 2016 does not state factually and clearly each reason for the recall of Governor Rick Snyder. Moved by Matuzak; supported by Pero. Ayes: Bradshaw, Shinkle, Matuzak, Pero. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Agenda item: Consideration of whether the recall petition submitted on January 28, 2016 by David Bullock states factually and clearly each reason for the recall of Governor Rick Snyder. The reasons for recall printed in the heading of the petition are as follows (verbatim):

On Tuesday, January 19, 2016, in Lansing, MI., at 7PM, Governor Richard D. Snyder gave his State of the State speech and said the following: “To begin I would like to address the people of Flint. Your families face a crisis, a crisis which you did not create. I’m sorry. Government failed you. I am sorry most of all that I let you down. The buck stops with me.

Board action on agenda item: The Board moved to determine that the above referenced recall petition submitted by David Bullock on January 28, 2016 does not state factually and clearly each reason for the recall of Governor Rick Snyder. Moved by Matuzak; supported by Shinkle. Ayes: Bradshaw, Shinkle, Matuzak, Pero. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Agenda item: Consideration of whether the recall petition submitted on January 28, 2016 by Julius Austin III states factually and clearly each reason for the recall of Governor Rick Snyder. The reasons for recall printed in the heading of the petition are as follows (verbatim):

On Tuesday, January 20, 2015, in Lansing, MI, at 7PM, Governor Richard D. Snyder gave his State of the State speech and said, “The system is failing folks. What we have done is sliced and diced people into programs. We have moved away from treating them as real. In fact, in some cases we have taken some of their dignity away as a person.”

Board action on agenda item: The Board moved to determine that the above referenced recall petition submitted by Julius Austin III on January 28, 2016 does not state factually and clearly each reason for the recall of Governor Rick Snyder. Moved by Pero; supported by Shinkle. Ayes: Bradshaw, Shinkle, Matuzak, Pero. Nays: None. Motion carried.
Agenda item: Consideration of whether the recall petition submitted on January 28, 2016 by Julius Austin III states factually and clearly each reason for the recall of Governor Rick Snyder. The reasons for recall printed in the heading of the petition are as follows (verbatim):

On January 20, 2016, Governor Richard Snyder released emails he sent and received regarding Flint from January 2014 – December 2015. In an email from September 5, 2015, the Governor asked his aide Harvey Hollins, “But, how did it go over with the residents?” The Governor was referring to a water-filter give away event amid concerns about Flint’s water quality.

Board action on agenda item: The Board moved to determine that the above referenced recall petition submitted by Julius Austin III on January 28, 2016 does not state factually and clearly each reason for the recall of Governor Rick Snyder. Moved by Shinkle; supported by Matuzak. Ayes: Bradshaw, Shinkle, Matuzak, Pero. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Agenda item: Consideration of whether the recall petition submitted on January 29, 2016 by Quincy Murphy states factually and clearly each reason for the recall of Governor Rick Snyder. The reasons for recall printed in the heading of the petition are as follows (verbatim):

Because Governor Richard D. Snyder admitted on January 19, 2016 Michigan State of the State transcript he failed the City of Flint as quoted: “Government failed you, federal, state, and local leaders by breaking the trust you placed in us. I am sorry most of all that I let you down. You deserve better, you deserve accountability, you deserve to know the buck stops here with me.”

Board action on agenda item: The Board moved to determine that the above referenced recall petition submitted by Quincy Murphy on January 29, 2016 states factually and clearly each reason for the recall of Governor Rick Snyder. Moved by Matuzak; supported by Bradshaw. Ayes: Bradshaw, Matuzak. Nays: Shinkle, Pero. Motion failed.

Agenda item: Consideration of whether the recall petition submitted on January 29, 2016 by Quincy Murphy states factually and clearly each reason for the recall of Governor Rick Snyder. The reasons for recall printed in the heading of the petition are as follows (verbatim):

In Richard D. Snyder’s Declaration of State of Emergency for the city of Flint within Genese County stated: “The damaged water infrastructure and leaching of lead into the city’s water caused damage to public and private water infrastructure, and has either caused or threatened to cause elevated blood lead levels, especially in the population of children and pregnant women, and causing a potential immediate threat to public health and safety and disrupting vital community services”.

Board action on agenda item: The Board moved to determine that the above referenced recall petition submitted by Quincy Murphy on January
29, 2016 does not state factually and clearly each reason for the recall of Governor Rick Snyder. Moved by Matuzak; supported by Pero. Ayes: Bradshaw, Shinkle, Matuzak, Pero. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Agenda item: Such other and further business as may be properly presented to the Board.

Board action on agenda item: None.

Adjourned: 5:12 p.m.

Chairperson

Vice-Chairperson

Member

Member

Feb. 22, 2016

Date