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The Charles County Board of Elections held its regular monthly board meeting on Thursday, July 16, 2020 at 201 East Charles Street La Plata, Maryland, 20646 at 9:00 a.m.

- I. Declaration of Quorum Present:** Katherine O'Malley-Simpson; conference call  
Fern Brown; conference call  
Dorothy Duffield; conference call  
Norman Saunders; conference call

Louis Jenkins, Board Attorney; conference call

Absent: Craig Renner

Staff: Tracy A. Dickerson  
Shelby E. Trice

- II. Approval of Post Certification Minutes:** Mr. Craig Renner made a motion to accept the Post Certification Minutes, seconded by Ms. Fern Brown. Unanimously approved.

- III. Additions to the Agenda:** N/A

- IV. Election Director's Report:**

- Ms. Tracy Dickerson discussed with the board The Governor's proclamation for the General Election. The proclamation states that Early Voting will be open for all eight days, all polling places will be open on Election Day, and each eligible voter will receive an absentee application in the mail.
- Ms. Dickerson informed the board that the county approved the sub-lease for upstairs. Ms. Dickerson and Ms. Shelby Trice have been working on cleaning the floors and bathroom. Also Mr. Wade Beswick is currently painting the upstairs offices. Ms. Dickerson explained to the board that the county will be running electric and network soon.
- Ms. Dickerson informed the board that judges training will begin on Tuesday, September 1, 2020 and continue thru Friday, October 2, 2020.
- Ms. Dickerson informed the board that Mr. Karl Richardson is currently finishing maintenance on the equipment used during the Primary Election.

- Ms. Dickerson informed the board that Mr. Trice's last day at the Charles County Board of Elections will be Friday, August 14, 2020.
- Ms. Dickerson discussed with the board that Ms. Mary McDougal and Ms. Sharonda Munson have been conducting election judge surveys, and many judges do not want to work due to health concerns. Ms. Dickerson told the board that she would email them with the exact numbers.
- Ms. Dickerson discussed with the board about adding a Voter Registration position to the office. Ms. Dickerson informed the board that this position is up for approval.
- Ms. Katherine O'Malley-Simpson informed the board that there is not a firm answer on if the public schools will be available for the Presidential General Election.
- The board discussed writing a letter to the County Commissioners informing them about the challenges the Election Board faces with the upcoming Presidential General Election, as well as ways to overcome these challenges. This letter will also detail what specific assistance is needed from the County Commissioners.

**V. Board Attorney Report:** N/A

**VI. Old Business:** N/A

**VII. New Business:** Mr. Norman Saunders made a motion to approve the addition of a Voter Registration position, seconded by Ms. Dorothy Duffield. Unanimously approved.

**VIII. Next Board Meeting:** The next Board Meeting will be held on August 20, 2020.

**IX. Motion to Adjourn:** Ms. Fern Brown made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Ms. Dorothy Duffield. Unanimously approved.