

**STATE ELECTION COMMISSION  
MEETING MINUTES  
January 19, 2022  
3:00 p.m.**

1122 Lady Street, 5th Floor  
Columbia, SC 29201

**Present:** Mr. John Wells, Chairman; Ms. JoAnne Day, Mr. Scott Moseley, Ms. Linda McCall, and Mr. Cliff Edler (via teleconference)

**Others Present:** Howard Knapp, Interim Executive Director; Thomas W. Nicholson, General Counsel; Barbara Pittelli, Administrative Coordinator and three members of the public.

Chairman Wells called the meeting to order. Mr. Knapp advised all notices of the meeting had been posted as required by the Freedom of Information Act.

**COMMISSIONERS**

JOHN WELLS  
Chairperson

JOANNE DAY

CLIFFORD J. EDLER

LINDA MCCALL

SCOTT MOSELEY

**Approval of Minutes**

The first item of business was the approval of minutes for the meeting of December 15, 2021 (SEC). A motion to approve the minutes was made by Ms. Day, seconded by Ms. McCall. The motion was approved by unanimous vote.

**New Business**

Statements of Economic Interests was the first item under new business. Mr. Knapp advised the reports are due by noon on March 30, 2022

The next item under new business was the agency goals for 2022. Mr. Knapp stated the agency has the following six goals:

- Implement statewide asset management system
- Implement statewide ballot chain of custody system
- Publish elections security document
- Develop and launch new agency website
- Implement audit process for the statewide elections
- Successfully execute redistricting plans

**Old Business**

Voter list maintenance confirmation card mailing update was the first item under old business. Mr. Knapp advised 272,500 cards were mailed, the majority of which will be returned as undeliverable. He further advised, to date 9,243 were returned and processed, which he added, is significantly less

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than previous years. As a result, Mr. Knapp stated the agency has reached out to the United States Post Office to find out what the issue may be.

The second item under old business was the redistricting/reapportionment update. Mr. Knapp stated the House passed their congressional map and the Senate has introduced their map for consideration. Mr. Knapp advised once a congressional plan is signed by the Governor, then the redistricting process will begin.

The House and Senate Legislative Oversight Committee(s) (HLOC) and (SLOC) reviews were the next item under old business. Mr. Knapp stated there was nothing new to report on either the HLOC review or the SLOC review.

The next item under old business was the FY2022/23 budget request update. Mr. Knapp advised there was nothing new to report as the budget hearing was cancelled.

The election infrastructure security update was the next item of old business. Mr. Knapp advised the agency continues to work with their state and federal security partners.

The last two items of old business were:

(1) the legal update of S.C. NAACP, et al v. Governor Henry McMaster, et al; Scharr, et al v. Whitmire, et al; and Osborne, et al v. S.C. State Election Commission, et al.

(2) the executive director vacancy.

Chairman Wells asked for a motion to go into executive session for both items, (1) to receive and discuss legal advice, and (2) to discuss a personnel matter. Ms. Day made said motion, seconded by Mr. Moseley. The motion passed by unanimous vote and the board went into executive session. No votes were taken during executive session.

Upon returning to open session, Chairman Wells reminded the Commission members the next meeting will be held on February 16, 2022.

With no further business to discuss, Ms. Day made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Ms. McCall. The motion was passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Pittelli