

ELECTION BOARD MEETING

AUGUST 17, 2016

9:00 A.M.

Those in attendance: James Holland, President, Julie Schuette, Vice-President, Jay Phelps, Secretary, and Shari Lentz, Voter Registration Supervisor

President, Jim Holland called the meeting to order.

The first order of discussion was to discuss the new bill SB61. This bill affects all At-Large races where more than one candidate is to be elected. No longer will a straight party vote cast a vote for At-Large offices. The voter must cast an individual vote for these candidates. President, James Holland suggested that the board would be proactive in placing simple instructions at the check-in and voting booth as well as on the ballot itself. The judges will verbally educate the voter in regard to At-Large races before the voter casts his or her ballot.

Vice-President, Julie Schuette made a recommendation that the board include a colored sheet of paper with the absentee ballot by mail that draws attention to the At-Large Council races in regard to straight party voting. Secretary, Jay Phelps added that voters who are voting by travel board would be educated by the travel board in regard to the change created by SB61.

Julie Schuette asked the Voter Registration staff to investigate the cost of large feather signs that read "Vote Here" that could be used to point voters to the correct entrance at some of the Vote Center locations. Jay Phelps discussed the days and hours for satellite voting. It was decided to operate satellite voting October 31st through November 4th (11:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.) and November 5th (8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.).

President, James Holland adjourned the meeting.