

State Election Commission
Thursday, April 7, 2016 – 10:00 a.m.
Secretary of State Conference Room
Minutes

Members Attending:

The Honorable Natalie E. Tennant, Secretary of State – Acting Chair
Gary Collias (By Teleconference)
Taylor Downs (By Teleconference)
Vince Cardi (By Teleconference)

Others Attending:

Tim Leach, Assistant Legal Counsel
Ashley Summitt, General Counsel
Layna Valentine Brown, Director of Elections
Missi Kinder, Campaign Finance Specialist
Mac Beason, Election Software & Systems

The State Election Commission met on Thursday, April 7, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. in the Secretary of State Conference Room. Secretary Tennant called the meeting to order at 10:10 a.m., and a quorum was established by roll call.

Mr. Collias made a motion to approve the minutes from the February 3, 2016, February 4, 2016, February 5, 2016 and February 10, 2016 meetings with Mr. Cardi seconding the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Valentine-Brown addressed the SEC about a request to authorize the state computer experts to evaluate a tabulation patch. The Secretary of State's office was notified by Election Systems & Software (ES&S) that the certified and deployed release for the Unity 3011 and EVS 5200 has a limitation of 200 candidates per contest. The race for Republican Delegate to National Convention – at Large on the Primary Ballot has 220 candidates in that contest.

This limitation only affects the software programs that burn the Election Day media and the back end results module that helps tabulate election night results. This module works from tables that are set to only accept 200 entries. This issue does not affect firmware or any ballots that have already been sent out.

The solution is to increase the size limit of these tables. The Unity 3011 will be increased to 225 candidates, and the EVS 5200 will be increased to 295 candidates.

ES&S has already begun testing both releases in voluntary voting system test labs, and it is anticipated that these reports will be available to our computer experts early next week.

Mr. Collias made a motion to authorize the State Computer Experts to evaluate the patches, with Mr. Downs seconding the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Collias made a motion to allow ES&S to pay the State Computer Experts \$250 each with Mr. Downs seconding the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Secretary Tennant congratulated Professor Cardi for being chosen to be a part of the American Law Institute.

Mr. Collis made a motion to adjourn at 10:20 a.m. with Mr. Downs seconding the motion. Motion passed unanimously.