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MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS

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March 16, 2022

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COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

LISA DEELEY, CHAIRWOMAN
NICK CUSTODIO, DEPUTY COMMISSIONER
SETH BLUESTEIN, COMMISSIONER
MICHELLE MONTALVO, DEPUTY COMMISSIONER
OMAR SABIR, COMMISSIONER
DEVIN UQDAH, DEPUTY COMMISSIONER

PRESENT:

JOE LYNCH, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

HELD AT:

McVeigh Recreation Center
400-64 East Ontario Street
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19134

REPORTED BY: Michelle Tormey
Strehlow & Associates, Inc.
(215) 504-4622

1 COMMISSIONER DEELEY: Good morning.
2 I call the meeting of the Philadelphia
3 Board of Elections to the Commissioners
4 to order. Today is Wednesday, March
5 16th. First, I will preserve the order
6 and decorum of these meetings. Everyone
7 in attendance should be on notice that
8 shouting out or interrupting proceedings
9 will not be tolerated. Those who
10 violate this will be asked to leave.
11 The Sunshine Act permits anyone
12 attending a public meeting to object to
13 a perceived violation at any time during
14 the meeting. If you choose to do so,
15 please succinctly state your objection.
16 Objecting is not an opportunity for
17 speechmaking.

18 We will now move to public comment.
19 Commenter shall state where they live or
20 if they are not a resident of
21 Philadelphia, they are a Philadelphia
22 taxpayer. Public comment is not an
23 opportunity for dialogue or Q and A; it
24 is public comment, the chance for you to

1 tell us what you think. Each speaker
2 shall have two minutes; however, I may
3 extend this time at my discretion. Al
4 public comments must be relevant or
5 germane to Board business.

6 Finally, it is my responsibility to
7 preserve the order and decorum of these
8 meetings. As such, profane, slanderous,
9 discriminatory or personal attacks will
10 not be tolerated.

11 Is there anyone here for public
12 comment?

13 (No response.)

14 COMMISSIONER DEELEY: Seeing none,
15 we will now move to Commissioner
16 Bluestein for emailed public comment.

17 COMMISSIONER BLUESTEIN: There were
18 no emailed public comment as of 9:45
19 a.m.

20 COMMISSIONER DEELEY: Thank you,
21 Commissioner. We will now proceed to
22 old business and I will call on Joe
23 Lynch to read the report from the
24 Executive Director.

1 MR. LYNCH: Good morning,
2 Commissioners.

3 COMMISSIONER DEELEY: Good morning,
4 Joe.

5 MR. LYNCH: Today's Sunshine
6 report, the County Board of Elections
7 report, the deadline to file objections
8 to nomination petitions for Member of
9 the Ward Executive Committee is March
10 22nd, which are filed in the Office of
11 Judicial Records in City Hall, Room 262.
12 The drawing for ballot positions will be
13 held on March 23rd at 1:00 p.m. in City
14 Hall, Room 676.

15 As of yesterday, they have
16 processed all paper applications
17 received through Friday, and electronic
18 ballot applications received through
19 Sunday. They have approved 61,289
20 vote-by-mail applications for the
21 Primary, which is 7,617 added from last
22 week's total. Of those applications
23 processed so far, 37,365 are paper
24 applications, and 23,924 are electronic

1 applications.

2 The Voter Registration Unit for the
3 election cycle to date, they have
4 processed 72,637 registration
5 applications, of which 4,250 were paper.
6 They have sent out 42,389 ID cards.
7 Correspondence, Data and Imaging units
8 are working primarily on the returned
9 undeliverable mail-in apps. They are
10 also processing registration apps and
11 what mail-in apps come in. Documents
12 are making street list districts, full
13 ward sets, and working on the mail.
14 With yesterday's filing deadline, we are
15 expecting petitioners. Weeknight and
16 weekend hours at the Delaware and Spring
17 Garden office for petition lookups will
18 be Monday through Thursday starting --
19 actually, today -- Monday through
20 Thursday, 8:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m., and
21 from 8:00 a.m to 3:00 p.m. Saturday and
22 Sunday. Operators will be available by
23 appointment. Anyone wishing to do
24 lookups can call 215-686-1590.

1 The Polling Place Unit to date, out
2 of 713 polling sites, 599 have been
3 secured for the upcoming Primary, which
4 coverings 1,481 divisions out of 1,703.
5 The Unit is continuing inspection of all
6 polling sites to make sure there have
7 been no changes to the location from the
8 last election.

9 The Election Board Unit, online
10 training, 370 poll workers did online
11 training. Confirmed poll workers to
12 date is 3,739. No shows, meaning, poll
13 workers who are not going to work is
14 260. The class that went to Mariana
15 Bracetti, there was 125 people that came
16 out for that. Masterman, 3/14 -- which
17 was Monday -- was 66. And total
18 scheduled for in-person training is
19 1,264. That's all I have.

20 COMMISSIONER DEELEY: Thank you,
21 Joe.

22 We will now proceed to new
23 business.

24 (No response.)

1 COMMISSIONER DEELEY: Hearing none,
2 we will move to see -- Commissioner
3 Bluestein, do you have any items to be
4 added to the agenda?

5 COMMISSIONER BLUESTEIN: I have
6 none.

7 COMMISSIONER DEELEY: Commissioner
8 Sabir, do you have any items to be added
9 to the agenda?

10 COMMISSIONER SABIR: No, I do not.

11 COMMISSIONER DEELEY: With no items
12 remaining on the agenda, this meeting is
13 adjourned to the call of the Chair.
14 Thank you.

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16 (Whereupon, the hearing
17 concluded at 11:06 a.m.)

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