# Butler County Board of Elections
## Board Meeting Minutes
## November 16, 2020

The Butler County Board of Elections met on Monday, November 16, 2020, at 9:00 a.m., for a regular meeting. Roll call was taken and present were Chairman Frank Cloud, Member Mariann Penska, Member Chris Wunnenberg, Director Diane Noonan, Deputy Director Eric Corbin, Election Service Manager Mickey Smith, Early Voting Administrator Nicole Unzinger, and Poll Worker Administrator/Executive Assistant Melissa Trotta.

Director Noonan presented Document 1, the minutes of the September 21, 2020, meeting. Member Penska moved to approve the September 21, 2020, meeting minutes on Document 1; seconded by Member Wunnenberg. Roll Call:

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| Chairman Cloud | yea |
| Member Penska | yea |
| Member Hall | absent |
| Member Wunnenberg | yea |

All in favor; motion carried.

Director Noonan presented Document 2, the minutes of the October 12, 2020, meeting. Member Penska moved to approve the October 12, 2020, meeting minutes on Document 2; seconded by Member Wunnenberg. Roll Call:

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| Chairman Cloud | yea |
| Member Penska | yea |
| Member Hall | absent |
| Member Wunnenberg | yea |

All in favor; motion carried.

Director Noonan presented Document 3, the minutes of the November 3, 2020, meeting. Member Penska moved to approve the November 3, 2020, meeting minutes on Document 3; seconded by Member Wunnenberg. Roll Call:

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| Chairman Cloud | yea |
| Member Penska | yea |
| Member Hall | absent |
| Member Wunnenberg | yea |

All in favor; motion carried.

Director Noonan acknowledged receipt of the following directives:
2020-23 Expedited Canvass and Certification of the November 3, 2020, General Election

Election Services Manager Mickey Smith presented Document 4, Provisional Ballots Cast in the November 3, 2020, General Election. Election Services Manager Mickey Smith stated there are total of 5,541 provisional ballots from the November 3, 2020, General Election that need to be approved. She presented four ballot envelopes where two voters completed two provisional envelopes each. Election Services Manager Mickey Smith explained ballot 1A was issued at 11:44 and 1B was issued at 5:42, but the signatures do not match on the second envelope. Election Service Manager Mickey Smith recommended counting ballot 1A due to the signature matching the Statewide Voter Registration Database. She presented ballots 2A and 2B, where both signatures match the Statewide Voter Registration Database. She explained both ballots were processed within a minute. She suggested to open up both envelopes to verify if one ballot was soiled and defaced. Members of the board witnessed both envelopes opened and one ballot was not voted.

Member Penska moved to accept provisional ballot 1A due to the signature matching the Statewide Voter Registration Database and to accept provisional ballot 2A due to 2B not being voted, which changed the total of valid from 4,472 to 4,474 and the total of invalid from 1,065 to 1,067; seconded by Member Wunnenberg. Roll Call:

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| Chairman Cloud | yea |
| Member Hall | absent |
| Member Penska | yea |
| Member Wunnenberg | yea |

All in favor; motion carries.

Early Voting Administrator Nicole Unzicker presented the following Invalid/Challenged Absentee Ballots. She stated the following ballots are invalid, 29 ballots because their identification does not compare, 15 ballots because the voter did not sign the identification envelope, 29 ballotsbecause the voter's signature did not match, 8 ballots because the voter returned the ballot tp their polling locations, 12 ballots because there was not a postmark, and 69 ballots because the ballot was postmarked November 3, 2020, or after.

Member Penska asked if the post office has been contacted. Early Voting Administrator Nicole Unzicker stated yes through the ElectionMail.org website. Member Penska asked if a response has been received. Deputy Director Corbin said no the post office is currently investigating.

Chairman Cloud moved to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel according to O.R.C. 121.22(G)(1) at 10:11 a.m.; seconded by Member Wunnenberg. Roll call:

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| Chairman Cloud | yea |
| Member Penska | yea |
| Member Hall | absent |
| Member Wunnenberg | yea |

All in favor; motion carried.

At 9:37 Chairman Cloud stated the Board is back in session.

Member Penska moved to approve $1,000 of hazard pay for full-time staff members. Chairman Cloud amended the motion stating the $1,000 will be from the Center for Tech and Civil Life grant ; seconded by Member Wunnenberg. Roll Call:

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| Chairman Cloud | yea |
| Member Penska | yea |
| Member Hall | absent |
| Member Wunnenberg | yea |

All in favor; motion carried.

With no further business, Chairman Cloud moved to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Member Penska. Roll call:

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| Chairman Cloud | yea |
| Member Penska | yea |
| Member Hall | absent |
| Member Wunnenberg | yea |

All in favor; motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 9:41 a.m.


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Frank Cloud, Chairman                              Diane Noonan, Director



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Todd Hall, Member                                    Chris Wunnenberg III, Member



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Mariann Penska, Member