## MINUTES OF MEETING WAYNE COUNTY ELECTION COMMISSION FRIDAY, MAY 25, 2018 – 10:00 A.M. COLEMAN A. YOUNG MUNICIPAL BUILDING - ROOM 705 2 WOODWARD AVENUE, DETROIT, MICHIGAN 48226

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 10:03 a.m.

Members present: Honorable Freddie G. Burton, Jr., Chief Judge, Probate Court

Honorable Eric Sabree, Member – Wayne County Treasurer Honorable Cathy M. Garrett, Secretary – Wayne County Clerk

Also present: Janet Anderson-Davis, Assistant Corporation Counsel

Gregory P. Mahar, Director, Wayne County Elections

Jennifer Redmond, Assistant Director

**Andrew Kandrevas** 

Loren Glover

Angela L. Baldwin Melvin Butch Hollowell Lisa Williams-Jackson

Enjoli Conley

Agenda item: Consideration of Agenda approval.

**Board action on agenda item:** Chair Burton requested a motion to adopt the agenda. Member Garrett, duly supported by Member Sabree, moved to adopt the agenda. The motion was adopted

unanimously by a voice vote.

Agenda item: Consideration of request for Name Designation – Denise

**Wellons-Glover for Wayne County Community College District** 

Trustee - District 5

Jennifer Redmond, Assistant Director, informed the Commission that Ms. Denise Wellons-Glover had submitted a request for designation because another candidate for the same office has a similar surname. The Board was advised that yesterday during the canvass of the petitions filed by Loren Glover, it was determined that his filing was insufficient to allow his name to appear on the ballot.

Chair Burton asked if there were any comments regarding the request. Mr. Loren Glover made a statement regarding the petition insufficiency and the request for designation.

The Commission upon unanimous consent agreed that the request for designation was moot and would not be considered.

## Agenda item:

## Acceptance of the August 7, 2018 Primary Election Official Candidate list as presented by the Wayne County Clerk

Chair Burton requested a motion to accept the Official Candidate list as presented by the Wayne County Clerk.

Attorney Melvin Butch Hollowell, attorney for Sylvia Santana candidate for State Senate District #3, Reggie Reg Davis, candidate for County Commission District #6, and John Conyers III, candidate for U.S. Representative in Congress – 13<sup>th</sup> District, requested that each candidate should be certified to the Commission because the County Clerk erred in her determination of their eligibility. Mr. Hollowell addressed each candidate's issue and requested the Commission to certify their names to appear on the August 7, 2018 ballot.

Chair Burton asked Asst. Corporation Counsel Anderson-Davis to respond to the allegations made by Mr. Hollowell. Ms. Anderson-Davis stated that it was the legal opinion of Corporation Counsel that the Santana matter was outside the scope of the Berry case and that the County Clerk nor the Election Commission does not have investigatory powers to determine whether Ms. Santana had outstanding campaign finance fines at the time she filed her affidavit.

In regards to the challenge to Reggie Reg Davis, Ms. Anderson-Davis stated that a facial review of the affidavit of identity filed by Mr. Davis showed that his filing was not sufficient and that the candidate failed to enter his full former name as required by statute and as directed on the instructions found on the reverse side of the affidavit.

In regards to the challenge to John Conyers III, Ms. Anderson-Davis stated that the County Clerk's staff reviewed the petitions more than once and cooperated with Mr. Conyers and his campaign committee and that staff and the County Clerk determined the filing was insufficient.

**Board action on agenda item:** Chair Burton requested a motion to amend the candidate list to certify the names of these three candidates. No motion was offered.

Member Sabree duly supported by Member Garrett, moved to accept the August 7, 2018 Primary Election Official Candidate list

as presented by the Wayne County Clerk. The motion was adopted

unanimously by a voice vote.

Agenda item: New Business. None

Agenda item: Public Comment. None

Agenda item: Adjournment. Chair Burton requested a motion to adjourn the

meeting. Chair Burton, duly supported by Member Garrett, moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was adopted by unanimous

consent.

Meeting adjourned at 10:18 a.m.