

# BENTON COUNTY ELECTION COMMISSION

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## MINUTES OF THE BENTON COUNTY ELECTION COMMISSION

September 24, 2012

Commission members present: John Brown, Jr., Russell Anzalone, and Robbyn Tumey

Others present: Sharon Rose

Media: Tom Sissom, Benton County Daily Record

Chairman Brown called the meeting to order at 1:15 P.M. and welcomed everyone.

### **New Business:**

- A. Order to Appoint Election Officials to Process, Count, and Canvass Absentee Ballots for the Annual School Run-Off Election to be held October 9, 2012: Chairman Brown stated that the Election Commission has reviewed and approved Kim Dennison and Sharon Rose as the election officials to process, count, and canvass absentee ballots for the Annual School Run-Off Election to be held October 9, 2012. Chairman Brown asked for comments. There being none, the commissioners approved and signed the order.
- B. Order to Appoint Election Officials to Conduct the Annual School Run-Off Election to be held October 9, 2012: Chairman Brown made a motion to accept the election officials to conduct the Annual School Run-Off Election to be held October 9, 2012. There being no discussion, the commissioners approved and signed the order.
- C. Order Establishing the Early Voting Locations for the Annual School Run-Off Election to be held October 9, 2012: Chairman Brown stated that the Benton County Clerk's Office was the only early voting location for the Annual School Run-Off Election. Chairman Brown stated that early voting would begin October 2 – October 8, 2012 with voting hours from 8:00 A.M. to 4:30 P.M. The Election Commission approved and signed the early voting location for the Annual School Run-Off Election.
- D. Order Establishing the Polling Location for the Annual School Run-Off Election to be held October 9, 2012: Chairman Brown stated that Bentonville Church of Christ, Precinct 34, was the only precinct opened for the Annual School Run-Off Election. Chairman Brown asked for discussion. There being no discussion, the commissioners approved and signed the order.

- E. Review and Approval of the Annual School Run-Off Election Ballots: Chairman Brown stated the ballot for the Annual School Run-Off Election was between Grant Lightle and Kim Mertes, Zone 3. Chairman Brown asked for comments. There being no comments, the commissioners approved the ballot for the Annual School Run-Off Election to be held October 9, 2012.
- F. Review and Approval of the Annual School Run-Off Election Ivotronic Ballot: Chairman Brown stated the Ivotronic ballot was between Grant Lightle and Kim Mertes, Zone 3. Chairman Brown asked for comments. There being no comments, the commissioners approved the Ivotronic ballot for the Annual School Run-Off Election to be held October 9, 2012.
- G. Review and Approval of the General Election Ivotronic Ballot: Chairman Brown stated he had reviewed the Ivotronic ballot and was satisfied. He asked Commissioners Anzalone and Tumey to review the Ivotronic ballot. Commissioner Tumey had concerns that the lengthy ballot would cause delays in voting on Election Day. She said that the commission staff should do a simulation of the time needed to read through the ballot and vote once the voting machines are programmed for the General Election. Sharon Rose stated that the commission staff was printing extra copies of the sample ballots for the voters to refer to as they were waiting to vote. Commissioner Anzalone stated that voters need to read the issues carefully that are on the ballot. There being no further comments, the commissioners approved the General Election Ivotronic Ballot to be held November 6, 2012.

**Old Business:**

None

**Public Comment:**

None

**Announcements:**

None

**Adjournment:**

Chairman Brown made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Tumey. The meeting was adjourned at 1:40 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Russell J. Anzalone, Secretary  
Prepared by Sharon Rose  
Benton County Election Commission