James City County Electoral Board

Meeting of Tuesday, March 21, 2017 Conference Room Office of the General Registrar, 5300 Palmer Lane

Tom Gee, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m. Others attending were Kay Cheves, Vice Chairman; Jack Edwards, Secretary; and Dianna Moorman, General Registrar and Director of Elections.

- 1. The minutes for Tuesday, February 14, 2017 were approved.
- 2. <u>In-person absentee voting in new facility</u> For the June primary, when in-person absentee voting is not expected to be heavy, voters will come in the main door, and will leave through the same door after voting. For the general election in November, the flow will be changed: voters will be directed to enter through the side door, complete the stops necessary for in-person voting, and exit through the front door.
- 3. <u>Plans for the dual primary in June</u> Voters do not register by party under Virginia law. When a *dual* primary is held, there may occasionally be an objection from a voter who (a) wants to vote in both primaries, or (b) doesn't want anyone to know which party primary was selected by the voter. OEs are trained in how to deal with these objections; procedures are determined by state law, and the County has no authority to change them. Board members suggested ways to make the information more palatable.
- 4. <u>Staffing update for Office of General Registrar</u> Dianna Moorman described her plans for replacing Lauren Williams, and more generally, staff roles within the office. A far-ranging discussion ensued.
- 5. The Board adjourned at 11:50 a.m.

Jack Edwards, Secretary