



# COLUMBIANA COUNTY

## BOARD OF ELECTIONS

Kim Fusco, Director  
Bryce A. Miner, Deputy Director

Board Members:  
David W. Johnson, Chair  
Patricia Colian, Vice Chair  
Larry Bowersock  
Victor W. Maroscher

### **Board Meeting Minutes – December 5, 2023, 1:30 p.m.**

#### I. ROUTINE ITEMS:

1. Approve Agenda
2. Acceptance of Minutes

#### II. ACTION ITEMS:

3. Certify the Post-Election Audit Results
4. Security Directive Hardware Purchase

#### III. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

1. January OAEO Conference and REO Classes
2. Election Administration Plan
3. Filing Deadline for Partisan Candidates, Local Questions and Issues in the March 19<sup>th</sup>, 2024, Primary Election: December 20<sup>th</sup>
4. Write-In Deadline for the March 19<sup>th</sup>, 2024, Primary Election: January 8<sup>th</sup>

The Columbiana County Board of Elections met in special session at the Board Office located at 7989 Dickey Dr., Suite 3, Lisbon, Ohio on December 5, 2023 at 1:30 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Ms. Colian at 1:30 p.m.

Members present as shown by roll call:

Mr. Bowersock	<u>Yes</u>
Ms. Colian	<u>Yes</u>
Mr. Johnson	<u>Excused</u>
Mr. Maroscher	<u>Yes</u>

Pledge of Allegiance

Moment of Reflection

### 1. Approve Agenda

Moved by Mr. Bowersock and seconded by Mr. Maroscher to approve the agenda as submitted.

Roll Call:

Mr. Bowersock,	<u>yes;</u>	Ms. Colian,	<u>yes;</u>
Mr. Johnson,	<u>—;</u>	Mr. Maroscher,	<u>yes;</u>

Motion carried.

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### 2. Acceptance of Minutes

Moved by Mr. Maroscher and seconded by Mr. Bowersock to accept the minutes of the special meeting which was held November 28, 2023, as submitted.

Roll Call:

Mr. Bowersock,	<u>yes;</u>	Ms. Colian,	<u>yes;</u>
Mr. Johnson,	<u>—;</u>	Mr. Maroscher,	<u>yes;</u>

Motion carried.

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### 3. Certify the Post-Election Audit Results

Moved by Mr. Maroscher and seconded by Mr. Bowersock to certify the results of the audit performed on the State Issue 1, State Issue 2, and Columbiana County Member of Governing Board of ESC contests as presented in the submitted report.

Roll Call:

Mr. Bowersock,	<u>yes;</u>	Ms. Colian,	<u>yes;</u>
Mr. Johnson,	<u>—;</u>	Mr. Maroscher,	<u>yes;</u>

Motion carried.

NOTES: All staff hand counted 1,642 ballots and matched 100% accuracy. Director Fusco shared the post-election audit paperwork with the Board and shared that 5% of the total ballots cast were audited and in each category of ballots the audit matched 100% to the election day totals. The Board signed the audit report to send to the Secretary of State and everyone thanked the staff for completing the audit in an hour and a half.

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### 4. Security Directive Hardware Purchase

Moved by Mr. Bowersock and seconded by Mr. Maroscher to accept the quote from Salem Computer Center and approve the purchase of workstation computers/laptops for the Columbiana County Board of Elections with Security Directive 2023-16 HAVA grant funds.

Roll Call:

Mr. Bowersock,	<u>yes;</u>	Ms. Colian,	<u>yes;</u>
Mr. Johnson,	<u>—;</u>	Mr. Maroscher,	<u>yes;</u>

Motion carried.

NOTES: The Board evaluated three quotes from Salem Computer Center, CDW, and Selectus Consulting. Deputy Director Miner stated to the Board that \$10,000 is available to the county through Security Directive 2023-16 funds since the current office computers are out of warranty and there is currently no plan to replace the workstations with county funds. After reviewing all three quotes with the Board both Directors and county IT recommended to the Board Salem Computer Center because the per unit cost was less than the other two companies. The purchase included 8 workstations, 8 monitors, 1 laptop, and 5 year warranty on all the devices for \$10,873, costing the county only \$873. The Board was pleased to keep the purchase local in Columbiana County.

#### **Director's Report:**

Director Fusco mentioned to the Board that the OAEO Conference is coming up January 10-12<sup>th</sup> and asked the Board to let the Directors know if they plan to attend. Deputy Director Miner discussed options for the Board to take online classes if they are not able to attend conference in person. Director Fusco noted that Deputy Director Miner is working on the EAP to be decided on in

the next meeting and reviewed the upcoming filing deadlines necessitating the Board to meet prior to January 2<sup>nd</sup>. Deputy Director Miner mentioned that both Directors and county IT will be completing a tabletop exercise with the SOS for Security Directive 2023-16 on December 6<sup>th</sup>.

***Items From The Board:***

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Next Meeting: Prior to January 2<sup>nd</sup>

Moved by Mr. Maroscher and seconded by Mr. Bowersock to adjourn the meeting.

Roll Call:

Mr. Bowersock, yes;  
Mr. Johnson, —;

Ms. Colian, yes;  
Mr. Maroscher, yes;

Motion carried.