

Provisional Ballots in Wisconsin

Wisconsin Government Accountability Board meeting July 15 & 16, 2008

Board members are listed at

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Day One (July 15) Part One Approximately 25 minutes

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starts @33:30 Paul Malischke speaks against the emergency rule, 25 minutes

Time	Speaker	Comments
33:30	Paul Malischke	Speaking against
37:40	Questions for Paul M	Questions from Kevin Kennedy
38:30	Paul Malischke	joke
43:00	Paul Malischke	Explains that rule would exceed HAVA
45:00	Gordon Myse	Board member asks about affidavits
48:00	Kevin Kennedy	there is no legislative authority for affidavits
52:30	Paul Malischke	how many snagged? secrecy of ballot
53:00	Judge Nichols	how many provisional in past
53:35	Malischke	incorrectly assumes that voters now in database would be subject to HAVA check
56:15		End of public comment on the rule

Day one (July 15) part two Approximately 70 minutes

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GAB trying to explain how the system will work

Time	Speaker	Comments
2:07	Kevin Kennedy	intro to rule
2:10	Nate Judnic	explains rule
2:11	Judnic	HAVA check only done on new registrants
2:14	Judnic	existing types of provisional
2:17	Judnic	How HAVA check works
2:19	Judnic	How non-match is resolved
2:21:45	Judnic	There is no way to tell what is not matching
2:26	Cain	Why are we doing this?
2:27	Judnic	frustration builds
2:27:40	Myse	grills staff
2:30:20	Judnic	compares to Pennsylvania
2:35:30	Myse	looks at his license, says he is a non-match
2:38:10	Manian	How do provisional ballots work?
2:40:20	Manian	preserving secrecy
2:44:50	Judnic	alternatives
2:54	Nichols	moves adoption
2:56:30	Eich & Cain	Judges are a non-match according to their DL
3:00:00	Judnic	registration at clerks office
3:09	Myse	get data first
3:13	Eich	HAVA does not require this
3:14:40		This part of the tape ends. Go to part 3

Day One (July 15) Part 3 Approximately 23 minutes
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 GAB Board members continue to question staff

00:00	Kevin Kennedy	What does HAVA require
1:50	Judnic	criticizes Brennan letter
3:35	Eich	corrects grammar in rule
4:00	Myse	Is affidavit a solution?
5:30	Judge Brennan	SS# and algorithm
8:30	Kennedy	suggestions to improve rule
14:30	Myse	those who register in clerk's office
16:50	Manian	seconds motion to approve
17:00	Nichols	add suggestions to the rule
18:20	Eich	asks about seeing wording
20:00		suggestions to postpone until next day
23:00		agree to take up tomorrow; 10 minute break

Day Two (July 16) Part One approximately 10 minutes
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GAB staff reverse course, and recommend turning on HAVA check, but not marking voters

1:25		Myse has excused absence
1:40	Kevin Kennedy	staff re-drafted the rule
2:30	Kennedy	how many affected, and when will system be tested
3:00	Kennedy	new staff proposal
3:20	Kennedy	fundamental question
4:00	Kennedy	for this year, voters will not be marked on the poll list
4:40	Kennedy	"No impact on voters"
7:30	Kennedy	after Nov., look at similar rule
8:10	Nat Robinson	when Board and public speak, we listen
9:00		withdraw motion to approve
10:30		next agenda item

Day two (July 16) Part Two

Recording will soon be available

Brian Kind, representing Republican Party of Wisconsin, speaks in opposition to the Board delaying implementation of the rule until after November.

41:00	Brian Kind	IT coordinator of the Republican Party of Wis
47:15	Kind	Asks Board to immediately reconsider, or at least take it up in August
48:00	Kind	"middle initial problem is trivial to prevent"
52:00		Discussion ends, meeting goes to next item

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