



City of Madison
Meeting Minutes - Draft
MADISON ELECTION ADVISORY
COMMITTEE

City of Madison
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Tuesday, November 13, 2007

4:30 PM

210 Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd.
Room 103-A (City-County Building)

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Janet Piraino was present to represent the Mayor's Office.

Present: 5 -

Paul R. Malischke; Sybil R. Better; Marlena G. Deutsch; Valerie A. Brown
and Maribeth Witzel-Behl

Excused: 3 -

Warren E. Onken; Emanuel Scarbrough and Bob Ohlsen

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Committee members agreed to consider approval of the September minutes at the December MEAC meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

1. **05155** Annual Report to the Common Council, Mayor, and City Clerk.

A motion was made by Malischke, seconded by Brown, to approve the final version of the committee report, and to Recommend to Council to Accept. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

2. **05148** Elimination of Common Council meetings on nights of General Elections.

Ms. Witzel-Behl reported that the 2008 Common Council meeting schedule did not include any election dates.

3. **05141** Establishment of additional polling places.

Ms. Witzel-Behl reported that new polling places have been established for Ward 5 (Door Creek Church), Ward 18 (Oakwood Village East), and Wards 83, 110, 112, 119, 120, and 129 (The Jefferson). This will alleviate over-crowding at Kennedy Elementary School, Fire Station #8, High Point Church, and Alicia Ashman Branch Library. Because of accessibility issues, the polling locations at Gates of Heaven and Elver Park will need to be relocated before the 2008 elections, she said.

4. 06240 Preparations for the 2008 Elections.

Ms. Witzel-Behl reported that the City Clerk's Office sent postcards to approximately 11,000 Madison residents who had not voted for the past four years. Individuals wishing to remain registered could sign an Application for Continuation of Registration and return it to the Clerk's Office. The State Elections Board assisted with the purge so Clerk's Office staff did not have to individually inactivate over 10,000 voters.

Ms. Witzel-Behl told the committee that she has been updating over 4,000 address ranges within the Statewide Voter Registration System (SVRS) so the Clerk's Office can use SVRS to issue absentee ballots. The State Elections Board helped complete this cumbersome project.

5. 06239 Requests for "I Voted" stickers.

This item was referred to the December 11 agenda.

6. 04353 Suggestions for future agenda items.

Committee members agreed that the December 11 agenda should include requests for "I voted" stickers, polling place accessibility, preparations for the 2008 elections, and the 2008 budget.

7. 05160 Confirmation of next MEAC meeting.

The next meeting of the Madison Election Advisory Committee will be Tuesday, December 11, 2007.

8. 07987 Meeting schedule for 2008:

Tuesdays January 29, March 11, April 29, May 13, June 10, July 8, August 12, September 30, October 28, November 11, and December 9.

Mr. Malischke suggested that the committee meet on January 29, March 11 and April 29, 2008, to work around the election and Common Council schedules.

9. 07988 Polling place accessibility.

This item was referred to the December MEAC meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Deutsch, seconded by Malischke, to Adjourn at 5:30 p.m . The motion passed byvoice vote/other.