



# City of Madison

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## Meeting Minutes - Draft MADISON ELECTION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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Tuesday, May 12, 2009

4:30 PM

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

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### CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

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

**Present:** 6 -

Paul R. Malischke; Sybil R. Better; Rosa J. Garner; Marilyn E. Williams;  
Valerie A. Brown and Maribeth Witzel-Behl

**Excused:** 1 -

Marlena G. Deutsch

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Williams, seconded by Malischke, to Approve the Minutes of March 10, 2009. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

### PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

### DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. [14716](#) Online Voter Registration presentation by Paul Malischke.

Malischke gave the attached presentation to the committee.

A motion was made by Garner, seconded by Williams, to direct staff to draft a Resolution to have the Mayor and Common Council support enabling legislation for online voter registration in the State of Wisconsin. The motion passed by acclamation.

2. [12418](#) Facilitating the Voting Process for Non-Felons in Dane County Jail.

Adam Gallagher of the City Clerk's Office reported that the Sheriff's Department is still gathering data, but has indicated that the Dane County Jail has more inmates in the summer than in the winter.

Williams said one solution would be for the state to pass legislation that would allow eligible voters who are suddenly in jail on election day to appoint an agent like voters who are hospitalized or part of a sequestered jury.

Better asked Williams to put her suggestions on paper before the next MEAC meeting.

3. [12845](#) Government Accountability Board Early Voting Proposal.  
  
**Malischke reported that the Government Accountability Board will conduct a listening tour, including a July 7 listening session in Fitchburg.**  
  
**Williams said she likes the idea of people going to the polls to vote.**
  
4. [13178](#) School Alliance Update.  
  
**Witzel-Behl said she would inquire about getting the Board of Education - Common Council Liaison Committee to consider an agenda item regarding the scheduling of inservice days to correspond with election days.**
  
5. [13890](#) Assembly Joint Resolution 2 RE: elimination of the spring election  
  
**This item was referred to the next committee meeting.**
  
6. [14717](#) Debriefing on the April 7 Election  
  
**Witzel-Behl distributed the attached report.**  
  
**The committee recommended that Dane County actively pursue ballot certification for its print shop.**
  
7. [14719](#) Repair of Voting Booths  
  
**This item was referred to the next meeting.**
  
8. [04353](#) Suggestions for future agenda items.  
  
**Committee members agreed to place the following items on the next agenda:**
  - **Facilitating the Voting Process for Non-Felons in Dane County Jail**
  - **Board of Education - Common Council Liaison Committee Update (Scheduling Inservice on Election Days)**
  - **Assembly Joint Resolution 2**
  - **Repair of Voting Booths**
  - **Assembly Bill 39**
  - **Legislative Update**
  - **GAB Early Voting Proposal**
  - **Redistricting**
  
9. [05160](#) Confirmation of next MEAC meeting.  
  
**The Madison Election Advisory Committee will meet at 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, June 9.**

**ADJOURNMENT**

**A motion was made by Garner, seconded by Williams, to Adjourn at 6 p.m. The motion passed by voice vote/other.**