

**Lorain County Board of Elections
Spanish Language Advisory Committee**

**Meeting Minutes
December 11, 2014**

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by David Arredondo at 6:00pm.

Roll Call: Members in attendance: David Arredondo, Rigoberto Reveron, Richard Turner, Mildred Narvaez, and Nellie Caraballo. Staff in Attendance: Paul R. Adams, James D. Kramer and Barbara Aldridge

Review and Approval of Minutes: A motion was made by Mildred Narvaez to accept the minutes as read, the motion was seconded by Richard Turner. Motion carried 5-0.

Old Business: Post Election Discussion: Adams reported that the Department of Justice notified us regarding sending observers for the November 4, 2014 General Election. As of yet we have not heard from the DOJ regarding the election. The precinct election officials that had contact with the DOJ observer felt that the observer was polite, courteous and professional.

Mr. Kramer stated that there was a power outage at the Ridgefield Recreation Center in North Ridgeville, none of the TSX voting machines were effected.

New Business: Mr. Arredondo shared that Richard Turner had concerns about the Spanish ballot language because the changes recommended by committee did not appear on the ballot as approved. Specifically the "lo cual-vs-la cual" continues to appear. Mr. Kramer recommended that a final ballot text report be mailed to committee members before uploading.

Mr. Arredondo gave a heartfelt congratulations to the entire staff for running an uneventful election. "Election day in not just one day, it is actually 30 days. Job well done!" Adams thanked Arredondo for the recognition and will Adams will share it with the staff.

Adams stated that for the 2015 Primary Election we will implement a new way to process voters called "Any Line, Any Time." With the advanced capabilities of the Electronic Poll Books and the need to maximize the efficiency and accuracy at the polls, we are excited to be able to make this change to how voters are processed in.

Kramer stated that in the past there were a few incidences when poll workers had issued the wrong ballot. A way to resolve this problem is the implementation of the electronic poll books which will eliminate human error. A pamphlet describing the ExpressPoll Books was passed around and discussion ensued. Mr. Kramer stated that the cost of electronic poll books has decreased tremendously since they were first introduced.

Adjournment: Motion made to adjourn at 6:29pm by Rigo Reveron, seconded by Millie Narvaez, motion carried 5-0.

ATTEST:



David Arredondo, Chairman

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Rigoberto Reveron, Secretary