

Meeting of the Commissioners - Elections
March 3, 2021

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MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS

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Wednesday, March 3, 2021

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COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

LISA DEELEY, CHAIRWOMAN
AL SCHMIDT, COMMISSIONER
OMAR SABIR, COMMISSIONER
SETH BLUESTEIN, DEPUTY COMMISSIONER
NICK CUSTODIO, DEPUTY COMMISSIONER
TRINA BODNIK

PRESENT:

JOE LYNCH, ELECTION ACTIVITIES ASSISTANT
ADMINISTRATOR

HELD AT:

The Liacouras Center
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

REPORTED BY: Kathryn R. Doyle
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4 CHAIRWOMAN DEELEY: Good morning. I call
5 to order the meeting of the Philadelphia City
6 Commissioners. Today is March the 3rd.

7 We will first hear if there are any public
8 comment. Commenters shall state where they
9 live or if they are not a resident of
10 Philadelphia, that they are a Philadelphia
11 taxpayer.

12 Public comment is not an opportunity for
13 dialogue or Q and A. It is public comment, a
14 chance for you to tell us what you think.

15 Each speaker shall have two minutes,
16 however, I may extend this time at my
17 discretion. All public comments must be
18 relevant or germane to our business.

19 Finally, it is my responsibility to
20 preserve the order and the decorum of the
21 meetings, as such. Scandalous, discriminatory
22 or personal attacks will not be tolerated.

23 Anyone wishing to offer public comment,
24 please step forward.

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2 (No response.)

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4 CHAIRWOMAN DEELEY: Hearing none, we will
5 now move to Commissioner Sabir for a report
6 from the secretary.

7 COMMISSIONER SABIR: Good morning.

8 CHAIRWOMAN DEELEY: Good morning.

9 COMMISSIONER SABIR: There were no public
10 comments e-mailed by 9:45 a.m.

11 CHAIRWOMAN DEELEY: Thank you,
12 Commissioner Sabir.

13 We will now proceed to old business with a
14 report from our executive director, Joe Lynch.

15 MR. LYNCH: Good morning, Commissioners.

16 CHAIRWOMAN DEELEY: Good morning, Joe.

17 MR. LYNCH: To date, the Voter
18 Registration Unit for the election cycle, to
19 date, has processed 80,391 applications, of
20 which 5,650 were paper.

21 Data and Imaging are up-to-date processing
22 registrations.

23 Correspondence is up-to-date with letters.

24 And all the units are working on processing

1 mail-in applications.

2 County Board of Elections, nomination
3 petitions are currently available for the
4 Democratic and Republican nominations for the
5 office of District Attorney, City Controller,
6 Judge of Elections and Inspector of Elections.
7 Information pertaining to the nomination
8 petitions are on the front page of the website
9 at Philadelphivotes.com.

10 Nomination petitions are available both on
11 our website or in City Hall, Room 142.

12 The south gates of City Hall across from
13 the Ritz-Carlton Hotel are open Monday to
14 Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. for returning the
15 completed petitions for access to City Hall.

16 Nomination petitions must be filed at City
17 Hall, Room 142 by March 9 at 5:00 p.m.

18 For candidates running under the green,
19 libertarian or workers-only parties, nomination
20 papers will be available March 10 on our
21 website or in City Hall, Room 142.

22 For candidates running under the third
23 parties political body, nominations papers will
24 also be available March 10 or on our website or

1 in City Hall, Room 142.

2 Nomination papers can be circulated
3 between March 10 and August 2. Further
4 information will be available on our website.
5 Access to City Hall can be made by appointment,
6 by e-mailing Phillyelection@Phila.gov or
7 calling (215) 686-3469.

8 We are currently accepting absentee or
9 mail-in ballot applications online at
10 VotesPA.com or by paper application.

11 To date, we have received 20,800
12 applications and processed 8,741 paper
13 applications.

14 The Election Board, all seminar class
15 locations are confirmed. And the first classes
16 will start this upcoming Monday. The first
17 classes will be held at the Carpenter's
18 Training Hall located at 10051 Decatur Road.

19 They are also sending out notices along
20 with making phone calls to the Board workers.

21 The Election Activity Unit and Polling
22 Place Units are working on opening and sorting
23 and prepping the incoming mail that we're
24 receiving.

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1 That's all I have today.

2 CHAIRWOMAN DEELEY: Thank you, Joe.

3 Commissioners, if anyone has any new
4 business.

5 COMMISSIONER SCHMIDT: I have none.

6 COMMISSIONER SABIR: I have none.

7 CHAIRWOMAN DEELEY: Hearing no new
8 business, I call for a motion to adjourn.

9 COMMISSIONER SCHMIDT: Second.

10 CHAIRWOMAN DEELEY: All in favor?

11 (Ayes.)

12 CHAIRWOMAN DEELEY: This meeting is
13 adjourned to the call of the Chair.

14 Thank you, everybody. Have a great day
15 and enjoy the weather.

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17 (Whereupon the meeting concluded at 11:03 a.m.)

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1 C E R T I F I C A T I O N

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3 I, hereby certify that the
4 proceedings and evidence noted are
5 contained fully and accurately in the
6 stenographic notes taken by me in the
7 foregoing matter, and that this is a
8 correct transcript of the same.

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10 _____
11 Kathryn Doyle
12 Court Reporter - Notary Public

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14 (The foregoing certification of
15 this transcript does not apply to any
16 reproduction of the same by any means,
17 unless under the direct control/or
18 supervision of the certifying reporter.)
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