## TALBOT COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS & REGISTRATION BOARD MEETING JANUARY 9, 2024

- A. Call to Order/Moment of Reflection: Mrs. Trice called the meeting to order at 4:41 p.m. Present were Sharita Trice, Dewayne Meacham, and Pamela Bulloch. Dewayne Meacham did our Moment of Reflection on, "Choose your Steps Wisely."
- **B.** Approval of Agenda: Pam Bulloch made a motion to approve the agenda. Dewayne Meacham seconded and all approved.
- **C. Approval of Minutes from November 14, 2023 Meeting:** Dewayne Meacham made a motion to approve the minutes. Pam Bulloch seconded and all approved.
- **D. County Elector Reports:** Reports were presented. Mr. Meacham reported that GARViS does not have a felon report at this time. Will continue to check for any updates.
- **E. S.O.S., Firefly, GARVIS & Legislative Updates:** Updates were done this past weekend in GARVIS. Please continue to review all updates.
- **F. GARVIS:** GARVIS is offering enhancement options. The board voted unanimously not to purchase these enhancements. The vote was 3:3.
- **G. Upcoming Events:** There are two webinars scheduled for January 11<sup>th</sup> and January 16<sup>th</sup>. There is a Poll Worker Orientation scheduled for January 13, 2024 from 10:00 a.m. till 12 noon. The last date to accept absentee ballot request applications is March 1, 2024 by 4:30 p.m. for the March 12, 2024 Presidential Preference Primary. There is a GAVREO Day at the Capitol on February 7, 2024. We will decide if we feel the need to attend this.
- **H. GAVREO Conference Feedback:** Dewayne Meacham and Pam Bulloch gave highlights of the GAVREO Conference held from December 10, 2023 through December 13, 2023 in Athens, Georgia.
- I. Voter Registration Deadline: February 12, 2024 is the last day to register to be able to vote in the March 12, 2024 PPP. No changes can be made after this date.
- J. Reminder: Check Email Daily and Voicemail! Practice on Voter ID! Mrs. Trice was proud of the great job we are doing on checking the voicemail. She wants us to continue practicing using the Voter ID.
- **K.** Cybersecurity Hygiene Best Practices: Be careful checking emails, do not keep passwords visible and use unique passwords for work accounts.
- **L. Poll Worker Recruitment/Advance Voting:** Dewayne will send out letters to all previous poll workers.
- M. Precinct Change: Precinct cards have been sent to all voters concerning the precinct change in Geneva. Voting has moved from the Geneva City Hall to the Geneva Volunteer Fire Station. Signs will be posted in Geneva and Box Springs for this precinct change. The notice will also be put in the Talbotton New Era.
- N. Election Staff: There is a full-time and a part-time opening in the election office. If anyone is interested, please let Sharita know. Mrs. Trice announced that Edsel Dewayne Meacham is the new election assistant.

- **O. Qualifying Fees:** The Talbot County Board of Commissioners has approved the qualifying fees for the candidates. The qualifying notice will run in the Talbotton New Era. Qualifying will be held March 4<sup>th</sup>- 8<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Elections office. Qualifying ends on March 8<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 Noon.
- **P. Roundtable Discussion:** Mrs. Trice mentioned that our office will be closed on January 15<sup>th</sup> for Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday. L & A Testing will be conducted at 1761 Geneva Highway, Talbotton, Georgia 31827 February 6, 2024 until completed.
- **Q. Adjournment:** Our next board meeting will be March 19, 2024. With no further business to discuss, Pam Bulloch made a motion to adjourn, Dewayne Meacham seconded and all voted to adjourn at 5:55 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

O. Bullock

Pamela O. Bulloch
Recording Secretary