Electoral Board Meeting Minutes (draft) April 1, 2019

The Electoral Board of Arlington County met at 1:30 p.m. on Monday, April 1, 2019, in the Office of Elections, 2100 Clarendon Blvd., Suite 320 The meeting was called to order by Charlene Bickford, Chairman, and present were David Bell, Vice Chairman; W. Scott McGeary, Secretary; and Linda Lindberg, Director of Elections. Several visitors were also present.

The minutes from the previous meeting, having been previously distributed, were approved.

The specific purpose of the meeting was to determine ballot order for the office of Commonwealth's Attorney for the June 11, 2019 Democratic Primary ballot. The certification of nominees by the party chair indicated both candidates filed for office at the same time. In this situation, the local electoral board must hold a drawing to determine ballot order.

Linda Lindberg presented two identical-sized pieces of paper, one printed with candidate Parisa Dehghani-Tafti's name and the other printed with candidate Theophani K. "Theo" Stamos' name. She folded both pieces of paper and placed them in a shallow basket, shuffling the two pieces. She then invited staff member Bill Sands to join the meeting and select one of the pieces of paper.

Mr. Sands make his selection, opening the paper to display Ms. Stamos' name. Ms. Lindberg opened the other paper to display Ms. Dehghani-Tafti's name. Ms. Stamos will appear first on the ballot as a result of the drawing.

Announcements and upcoming events:

- Linda Lindberg informed the Board that PollPad was selected as the new electronic pollbook vendor. Contract negotiations are currently underway.
- Logic and accuracy testing for the equipment used in the primary is scheduled for April 24. Linda Lindberg will send out a notice to parties and candidates on behalf of the Board.
- The June 11 primary elections will be Democratic primaries for 31st Senate, 49th House, and Commonwealth's Attorney. Final ballot information should be determined by the end of the week, after which Arlington's ballot layouts will be submitted to the Virginia Department of Elections for review.
- The potential dates for state training are now expected to be June 21 for electoral boards and June 22 for registrars and staff, subject to confirmation.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:35 p.m.

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David A. Bell, Vice Chairman