PUBLIC NOTICE OF THE MEETING
Public notice of the Board meeting was provided by posting the meeting information on the wall outside of the Cecil County Board of Election's office located in the Cecil County Administration complex and also on the Election agency website and Facebook page. A copy of the agenda was also made available.

MINUTES of the Meeting of the Cecil County Board of Elections meeting which was held on April 10, 2019 in the North East Conference Room in the Cecil County Administration building located at 200 Chesapeake Boulevard in Elkton, Maryland.

ATTENDEES:  
Brenda K. Ross  
James G. Crouse  
Nancy R. Simpers  
Robert W. Laird  
Margaret M. Gagnon  
Ruie Marie Lavoie  
Lora L. Walters  
Bruce Robinson  
Carol Byrd  
Diane Letts  
President  
Vice President  
Secretary  
Board Member  
Board Member  
Director  
Deputy Director  
Visitor  
Visitor  
Visitor

ABSENT:  
H. Norman Wilson  
Board Attorney

DECLARATION OF QUORUM
Quorum was established and the meeting was called to order by President Brenda Ross at 3:12 pm.

PRESIDENT’S REMARKS
Brenda Ross welcomed everyone and thanked the guests for attending. The new Director, Ruie Lavoie was formally introduced.

AGENDA
The agenda was reviewed and additions or changes requested. Robert Laird requested that a discussion of Board terms and appointments be added under New Business. There were no other additions or changes.
APPROVAL OF MINUTES
The Minutes of the March 13, 2019 Board meeting were reviewed. Receiving no edits, the Minutes were unanimously approved.

MOTION: Nancy Simpers motioned to approve the Minutes of the March 13, 2019 Board Meeting as submitted.
SECOND: Margaret Gagnon
ACTION: Motion unanimously passed

DIRECTOR’S REPORT
Ruie Lavoie provided a verbal Director’s Report. Each month, she will provide the Board with a written report and the draft minutes prior to the meeting to allow time for review. She provided information regarding the new legislation that will be effective during the 2020 Election cycle. Same Day Registration (SDR) and automatic voter registration were discussed. The green and Libertarian partied are no longer recognized parties in Maryland. The bread and Roses party is now a recognized party. Preparations for the 2020 election have started and a more detailed report, including equipment needs will be provided in the next few months. The Maryland Association of Election Officials (MAEO) conference was discussed and a copy of the agenda was provided. Ruie Lavoie will be attending the Maryland Association of Counties (MACo) conference in August to represent both MAEO and Cecil County. The cost for this conference will not be incurred by Cecil County. Ms. Lavoie thanked the board for the opportunity she has been given as the Director of Elections in Cecil County.

NEW BUSINESS
Board Member Terms
At this time, appointment from the Governor have not been made. Ruie Lavoie and Robert Laird will continue to contact the Appointment Secretary as the Board terms expire soon. Mr. Laird indicated he was scheduled to attend the Republican Central Committee meeting and may be able to get some information. Hopefully more information will be available prior to the next meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND DISCLOSURES
There were no announcements or disclosures.

MEETING INFORMATION
The next meeting will be held on May 8, 2019 at 3:00 pm in the North East Conference Room of the Cecil County Administration Building located at 200 Chesapeake Boulevard in Elkton, Maryland. The June, 2019 meeting date is to be determined.

ADJOURNMENT
There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:45 pm
Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Ross, President

James Crouse, Vice President

Nancy Simpers, Secretary

Margaret M. Gagnon, Board Member

Robert W. Laird, Board Member

Approved this 8th day of May, 2019