

LANCASTER COUNTY ELECTION BOARD MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 22, 2016

The Board of Elections met today for an Election Board Meeting.

Present at today's meeting were:

Joshua G. Parsons, Chairman
Dennis P. Stuckey, Vice Chairman
Craig E. Lehman
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Robert T. Still
CHIEF CLERK

Lisa Johnson
ASSISTANT CHIEF CLERK

Others present were:

Randall Wenger, Chief Clerk/Registrar
BOARD OF ELECTIONS AND REGISTRATION COMMISSION

Commissioner Parsons called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m.

Commissioner Parsons announced the approval of March 23, 2016 Election Board Minutes, March 30, 2016 Election Board Minutes, April 6, 2016 Election Board Minutes and April 22, 2016 Election Board Minutes.

ELECTION BOARD RESOLUTION NO. 9 OF 2016

On motion of Commissioner Stuckey, seconded by Commissioner Lehman;

WHEREAS, Section 412.2 of the Pennsylvania Election Code, Act of June 3, 1937, as amended, (hereinafter "Election Code") governs the compensation of district election officers; and

WHEREAS, The County Board of Elections in each county is responsible for fixing the compensation of judges of elections, inspectors of elections and clerks and machine operators; and

WHEREAS The Lancaster County Board of Elections, being responsible for fixing the compensation of the various election district officers, believes that it is appropriate to adjust the current compensation of judges of elections and inspectors of elections.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LANCASTER COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS as follows:

1. The total compensation for judges of elections for each election is fixed at One Hundred Forty Dollars (\$140.00).
2. The compensation for each majority and minority inspector of elections for each election is fixed at One Hundred Ten Dollars (\$110.00).
3. Pursuant to Section 412.2(g) of the Election Code, the total compensation for constables and deputy constables performing duties on Election Day, as provided for in the Election Code, is fixed at One Hundred Ten Dollars (\$110.00) for each election.
4. The compensation for each clerk and machine inspector is fixed for each election at One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00). For any clerk or machine inspector who performs duties for one-half of an election day, as authorized by Section 412.2(b) of the Election Code, and if authorized by this Board, the compensation shall be fixed at one-half of the daily rate of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00).
5. Each district election officer attending the training class provided by the Board shall receive Ten Dollars (\$10.00).
6. The compensation amounts identified in this Resolution shall become effective on January 1, 2018.

Mr. Wenger said that local election board and related officials have been working at the same rate of pay for the past ten years. He thought that it was appropriate to make a modest increase to help compensate the workers for the time and effort that they put into serving the local communities.

Commissioner Stuckey thanked Mr. Wenger for raising the issue and commented that this is the first pay increase in a while and according to law they have to set the compensation before they run for election.

Commissioner Lehman commented that it is appropriate to look at an increase in compensation for the workers because they are dedicated to the election process and what it means for our community and our country. He said that yesterday at Work Session, Mr. Wenger indicated that this may not help recruit people but it may help retain some workers and he thought that is something that we need to be mindful of to have a smoothly run election day.

Commissioner Parsons said that he appreciates the workers, who are so critical to the election in every precinct. He agrees that after ten years it is reasonable to look at the compensation and make sure that we are adequately compensating the workers for the job that they do and that we are helping to retain those people for the election.

Motion passed unanimously.

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On motion of Commissioner Stuckey, seconded by Commissioner Lehman, the meeting adjourned at 10:10 a.m.

Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Heather McDevitt, Executive Assistant
Commissioners' Office