

Wisconsin Elections Commission

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Special Teleconference Meeting 201 W. Washington Avenue, Second Floor Madison, Wisconsin 6:00 p.m. August 8, 2024

Open Session Minutes

- Present: Commissioner Marge Bostelmann, Commissioner Ann Jacobs, Commissioner Don M. Millis, Commissioner Carrie Riepl, Commissioner Robert Spindell Jr., and Commissioner Mark Thomsen, all by teleconference.
- Staff present: Sharrie Hauge, Brandon Hunzicker, Robert Kehoe, Anna Langdon, Angela Sharpe, Riley Vetterkind, Riley Willman, Jim Witecha, and Meagan Wolfe, all by teleconference.

A. Call to Order

Commission Chair Jacobs called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and called the roll. All Commissioners were present.

B. Administrator's Report of Appropriate Meeting Notice

Administrator Meagan Wolfe informed the Commission that the meeting was noticed in accordance with Wisconsin's open meetings laws.

C. Discussion and Approval of Discretionary Rebuttal Filing for Ballot Access Challenges to Independent Presidential Candidates

Staff Attorney Angela Sharpe reviewed the timeline for challenging ballot access to independent presidential candidates. She noted that the process up for approval by the Commission was based on the ballot access challenge process laid out in the emergency rule language struck down by the Legislature.

Discussion.

MOTION: Any filing submitted in rebuttal to a response for the August 27, 2024 ballot access meeting shall be provided to the Commission no later than Wednesday, August 14, 2024 at 4:30 p.m. Staff are directed to immediately forward any submitted documents to the Commissioners. If someone offers to provide factual testimony with a limit of three minutes during the August 27 meeting, Chair Jacobs will swear that person in under oath. Parties filing a rebuttal shall explain to the Commission the steps they took to serve a copy of the rebuttal on the candidate. A challenger shall serve the rebuttal on a candidate electronically, and if unable to do so, shall explain to the Commission why they could not do so.

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Ann S. Jacobs, chair | Marge Bostelmann | Don M. Millis | Carrie Riepl | Robert Spindell | Mark L. Thomsen

Commission staff are instructed to communicate with candidates the instructions listed in this motion. Staff will notify and provide a copy of any rebuttal to the candidate. Staff will notify the challenger that any rebuttal must rebut those facts or law raised in the response to the challenge by the candidate.

Moved by Commissioner Millis. Seconded by Commissioner Thomsen.

Discussion.

Roll call vote: Bostelmann:	Aye	Riepl:	Aye
Jacobs:	Aye	Spindell:	No
Millis:	Aye	Thomsen:	Aye

Motion carried 5-1.

D. Adjourn

MOTION: To adjourn.

Moved by Commissioner Thomsen. Seconded by Commissioner Bostelmann.

Roll call vote: Bostelmann:	Aye	Riepl:	Aye
Jacobs:	Aye	Spindell:	Aye
Millis:	Aye	Thomsen:	Aye

Motion carried 6-0.

The Commission adjourned at 6:18 p.m.

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August 8, 2024, Wisconsin Election Commission meeting minutes prepared by:

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Anna Langdon, Help Desk Staff

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August 8, 2024, Wisconsin Election Commission meeting minutes certified by:

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Marge Bostelmann, Commission Secretary

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