

Wisconsin Elections Commission

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Special Teleconference Meeting 212 E. Washington Avenue, Third Floor Madison, Wisconsin 5:00 p.m. April 5, 2021

Open Session Minutes

Present: Commissioner Ann Jacobs, Commissioner Marge Bostelmann, Commissioner Julie Glancey,

Commissioner Dean Knudson, Commissioner Robert Spindell Jr., and Commissioner Mark

Thomsen, all by teleconference.

Staff present: Meagan Wolfe, Richard Rydecki, Sharrie Hauge, Robert Kehoe, Jim Witecha, Nathan Judnic,

and Reid Magney, all by teleconference

A. Call to Order

Commission Chair Ann Jacobs called the meeting to order at 5:00 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 proper notice was given for the meeting.

C. Consideration of Next Steps in Special Voting Deputy Emergency Rule Process

Administrator Wolfe made a presentation based on a WEC staff memorandum concerning the promulgation of an administrative rule for situations when Special Voting Deputies are not allowed into care facilities or nursing homes.

Commissioners asked questions of Administrator Wolfe.

MOTION: The Wisconsin Elections Commission directs staff to allow the Statement of Scope (SS 031-21) for the emergency administrative rule on SVD voting for the April 6, 2021 election to expire.

Moved by Commissioner Spindell. Seconded by Commissioner Knudson.

Roll call vote: Bostelmann: Aye Glancey: Aye

Jacobs: Aye Spindell: Aye Knudson: Aye Thomsen: Aye

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Ann Jacobs, chair | Marge Bostelmann | Julie M. Glancey | Dean Knudson | Robert Spindell | Mark L. Thomsen

Motion carried 6-0.

MOTION: The Wisconsin Elections Commission directs the staff to study, via committee or otherwise, including the viewpoints of both the major political parties, including a review during the study of other states' procedures with the Special Voting Deputies, and procedures in general, in terms of when the Special Voting Deputies are not granted access to a care facility to administer voting, and to present a report at a future meeting. This motion specifically prohibits the staff from recommending promulgations of a permanent administrative rule in this regard.

Moved by Commissioner Spindell.

Motion fails for failure of a second.

Discussion.

MOTION: The Wisconsin Elections Commission directs staff to study the issues addressing nursing home, care facility, and Special Voting Deputy procedures when SVD's are not granted access to a care facility to administer voting. Staff is further directed to present a report at a future meeting with their suggestions for dealing with that issue.

Moved by Commissioner Knudson. Seconded by Commissioner Spindell.

Discussion.

Roll call vote: Bostelmann: Aye Glancey: Aye

Jacobs: Aye Spindell: Aye Knudson: Aye Thomsen: Aye

Motion carried 6-0.

Discussion.

D. Adjourn

MOTION: To adjourn.

Moved by Commissioner Bostelmann. Seconded by Commissioner Glancey.

Roll call vote: Bostelmann: Ave Glancey: Ave

Jacobs: Aye Spindell: Aye Knudson: Aye Thomsen: Aye

Motion carried 6-0.

The meeting adjourned at 5:33 p.m.

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Jacob Walters, Operations Program Associate

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April 5, 2021 Wisconsin Election Commission meeting minutes certified by:

Marge Bostelmann, Commission Secretary

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