CLARK COUNTY ELECTION BOARD MINUTES OF MEETING FEBRUARY 28, 2024

A meeting of the Clark County Election Board was held at the Clark County Courthouse, Voter Registration Office, 501 East Court Avenue, Jeffersonville, Indiana, on February 28, 2024.

The following Board Members were present: Democrat Chairman, Andrew Steele, Republican Representative and Vice Chairman, Tony Singleton, and Clark County Clerk, Ryan Lynch. Also present were Haylee Hall, Voter Registration employee, and JoAnn Geoghegan, Secretary of Minutes. Members of the public present for this meeting are Kaitlin Blessitt, Alice Butler, Nancy McDevitt, James McClure, Kelly Khuri, Kevin Khuri, Christina Kelty, Jennifer Gatti, and Bonnie Ehrhardt. Andrew Steele called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

The first matter before the Board is the challenge to Kaitlin Blessitt that was tabled at the last meeting. The Board is advised that an email was received from Mr. Grooms withdrawing the complaint as to Ms. Blessitt. Kaitlin Blessitt makes a presentation to the Board requesting that the other candidates be allowed to also remain on the ballot. Andrew Steele advises that notice was given by telephone to the other candidates. Mr. Steele takes due process under advisement about making sure candidates are notified when a challenge has been filed. This issue must be certified to the State by February 29, 2024 at 12:00 noon. Alice Butler requests that the Board allow the other challenged candidates to be on the ballot. Tony Singleton advises that everyone has the right to challenge a candidate. Kelly Khuri and Jennifer Gatti also address the Board regarding this issue. Mr. Steele also advises that the Court of Appeals has denied the Rust case, which deals with the issue of the right to be a candidate on a ballot.

There being nothing further before the Board, Andrew Steele makes a motion to adjourn until the next meeting on March 18, 2024. Seconded by Ryan Lynch. Carried 3-0. Meeting adjourned at 4:58 p.m.

ANDREW STEELE, Democrat Chairman

TONY SINGLETON, Republican Appointee

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RYAN LYNCH, Clark County Clerk