

# **RI STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS**

## **MINUTES OF MEETING**

**NOVEMBER 1, 2004**

The Rhode Island State Board of Elections met at 2:00 p.m. A quorum included Chair Roger Begin, Vice Chair Thomas Iannitti, Commissioners Judith Bailey, John Daluz, Florence Johnson, Frank Rego and Raymond Xavier. Acting Executive Director George Bowen, III was in attendance, also.

**First Order of Business: To continue the certification of mail ballots for ballots cast in the November 2, 2004 General Election.**

At 2:30 p.m. and in accordance with RIGL 42-46-5(2), the Board voted unanimously to convene in executive session to conduct a telephone conference with the Board's Counselor, Raymond Marcaccio, and to address a lawsuit that was filed, today, in Superior Court. Vice Chair Iannitti made the motion, seconded by Commissioner Rego.

At 3:05 p.m., Vice Chair Iannitti made a motion to close the executive session, to seal the minutes and to go back into executive session. The motion, seconded by Commissioner Daluz, carried without opposition.

In open session, Vice Chair Iannitti made the following motion: that is, that those persons who have performed a mail-in registration and

have provided less than the required ID be allowed to vote on November 2, 2004 by means of a provisional ballot; and the ballot shall count in full, if the registration is otherwise found to be in order. The motion seconded by Commissioner Johnson, carried unanimously.

At 3:10 p.m., the Board resumed the process of certifying mail ballots. The Members certified 4,025 mail ballots at today's session.

**Next Order of Business:** The Members agreed to meet on Thursday, November 4, 2004 at 4:00 p.m. for the purpose of tabulating provisional ballots cast on November 2, 2004.

At 4:00 p.m., a motion was made to adjourn for the day and to reconvene the certification process of mail ballots on election day, November 2, 2004 at 3:00 p.m.. The motion, made by Vice Chair Iannitti and seconded by Commissioner Xavier, carried without opposition.

**ATTEST:**

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