

R.I. STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS
MINUTES OF MEETING
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2015

The Rhode Island State Board of Elections convened at 4:05 P.M. at the Rhode Island Board of Elections, Acting Chairman William West, Commissioners Stephen Erickson, Richard Pierce, and Frank Rego constituting a quorum. Legal Counsel Raymond Marcaccio and Executive Director Robert Kando were also in attendance.

The meeting was called to order by Acting Chairman William West.

1. A motion was made to approve the minutes of the Board meeting of November 10, 2015. Member Erickson questioned whether the minutes were accurate with respect to the adoption of the affirmative action plan item, since only two of the four members present had voted in favor of the motion. After discussion, a motion was made to postpone adoption of the minutes of the November 10 meeting pending a review of the legal requirements for passage of items by the Board. Voting in favor of the motion were to continue the consideration of the minutes until the next meeting were Acting Chairman West and Commissioners Pierce, Erickson and Rego. Motion passed, 4-0.

2. A motion was made to approve the submission of the Fiscal Year 2017 and Revised Fiscal Year 2016 Budget. The content of the cover letter was discussed at length. The board agreed to make the request for an additional full time position the first matter mentioned in the cover letter. A motion was then made to approve the amended budget and letter for submission to the budget office. Voting in the affirmative were Acting Chairman West and Commissioner Pierce. Commissioner Rego abstained and Commissioner Erickson voted in the negative. There not being a majority of the quorum present voting in favor of the motion, the motion was defeated.

At this time Commissioner Richard Pierce removed himself from the meeting. There no longer being a quorum, meeting ended at 4:45 P.M.