



STATE OF HAWAII ELECTIONS COMMISSION

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ELECTIONS COMMISSION CHAIR

WRITTEN SUMMARY FOR VIDEO RECORD

REGULAR MEETING OF THE ELECTIONS COMMISSION

April 16, 2024 @ 1:30 p.m.

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PROCEEDINGS

The time reference below indicates the point in the video when the stated action begins.

I. Call to Order [1:30 p.m.]

The regular meeting of the Elections Commission was called to order by Chair Curtis.

II. Roll Call and Determination of a Quorum [1:30 p.m.]

All members of the Elections Commission were present at the meeting with the exception of Commissioner Kiguchi.

III. Approval of Minutes for the March 19, 2024, meeting [1:31 p.m.]

Commissioner Cushnie made a motion to amend the minutes of the meeting of March 19, 2024, which was seconded by Commissioner Papalimu. The motion carried noting the excused absence of Commissioner Kiguchi.

Commissioner Andrion made a motion to approve the amended minutes of the meeting of March 19, 2024, which was seconded by Commissioner Aquino. The motion carried noting the excused absence of Commissioner Kiguchi.

IV. Public Testimony [1:33 p.m.]

Public testimony was provided by Andy Crossland, Jamie Detwiler, Rosemarie Jauch, Cynthia Jo, Doug Pasnik, Thomas Stanton, AnnMarie Hamilton, Hui Hoola Aina, Wendell Elento, and April Lee

V. Communications & Correspondence [2:11 p.m.]

Commissioner Cushnie made a motion to request ballot box chain of custody procedures and documentation from the county elections divisions, which was seconded by Commissioner Andrion. The motion passed noting the excused absence of Commissioner Kiguchi. [2:14 p.m.]

YES: Andrion, Aquino, Cushnie, McAdam, Papalimu, and Curtis

NO: Kuwada and Takenaka

Commissioner Cushnie made a motion to advise the Chief Election Officer to use voter verifiable paper audit trail to conduct all audits, which was seconded by Commissioner Aquino. The motion passed noting the excused absence of Commissioner Kiguchi. [2:21 p.m.]

YES: Andrion, Aquino, Cushnie, Papalimu, and Curtis

NO: Kuwada, McAdam, and Takenaka

Commissioner Cushnie made a motion to have the State Chief Information Officer review pre-election audit and safety procedures and report to the Elections Commission the effectiveness of the procedures to identify hacking or mistakes in the voting system, which was seconded by Commissioner Papalimu. The motion passed noting the excused absence of Commissioner Kiguchi. [2:27 p.m.]

YES: Andrion, Aquino, Cushnie, Papalimu, and Curtis

NO: Kuwada, McAdam, and Takenaka

The Commission called for a recess at 2:33 p.m.

The Commission reconvened the meeting at 2:40 p.m.

Commissioner Cushnie made a motion to investigate if there are any HAVA violations being committed by the Office of Elections, which was seconded by Commissioner Andrion. The motion failed noting the excused absence of Commissioner Kiguchi. [2:43 p.m.]

YES: Andrion, Aquino, Cushnie, and Papalimu

NO: Kuwada, McAdam, Takenaka, and Curtis

Commissioner Cushnie made a motion to amend his original motion of eliminating early counting and moved to allow processing and counting of ballots to occur up to 3 days prior to election day, which was seconded by Commissioner Andrion. The motion failed noting the excused absence of Commissioner Kiguchi. [2:54 p.m.]

YES: Andrion, Aquino, Cushnie, and Papalimu

NO: Kuwada, McAdam, Takenaka, and Curtis

The original motion moved by Commissioner Cushnie and seconded by Commissioner Aquino, to eliminate early counting was brought back to the Commission for a vote. The motion failed noting the excused absence of Commissioner Kiguchi. [3:00 p.m.]

YES: Andrion, Aquino, Cushnie, and Papalimu

NO: Kuwada, McAdam, Takenaka, and Curtis

Commissioner Cushnie made a motion to request log of signature sensitivity settings from the counties who are using signature machines, which was seconded by Commissioner Papalimu. The motion passed. [3:03 p.m.]

YES: Andrion, Aquino, Cushnie, Papalimu, and Curtis

NO: Kuwada, McAdam, and Takenaka

Commissioner Andrion requested the question be asked. Therefore, stopping discussion and voting immediately on Commissioner Cushnie's motion to randomly audit one precinct in House District 37 in accordance with HRS 16-42 b(3) using the voter verifiable paper audit trail counting all races on the ballots in accordance with Jamie Detwiler's request, which was seconded by Commissioner Andrion. The request failed as 2/3 votes is needed, noting the excused absence of Commissioner Kiguchi. [3:18 p.m.]

YES: Andrion, Kuwada, McAdams, Takenaka, and Curtis

NO: Aquino, Cushnie, and Papalimu

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YES: Andrion, Aquino, Cushnie, Papalimu, and Curtis

NO: Kuwada, McAdam, and Takenaka

VI. Documented Ballot Security [3:29 p.m.]

VII. Executive Session [3:36 p.m.]

A. Pursuant to section 92-5(a)(4), HRS, the Commission anticipates going into executive session to consult with the Commission's attorney on questions or issues regarding the Commission's powers, duties, privileges, immunities, and liabilities.

Commissioner Cushnie made a motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss the duties and privileges of the Commission, which was seconded by Commissioner Aquino. The motion failed noting the excused absence of Commissioner Kiguchi. [3:41 p.m.]

YES: Cushnie and Papalimu

NO: Andrion, Aquino, Kuwada, McAdam, Takenaka, and Curtis

VIII. Adjournment [3:43 p.m.]

Commissioner Kuwada made a motion to adjourn the meeting, which was seconded by Commissioner McAdam. The motion failed noting the excused absence of Commissioner Kiguchi. [3:37 p.m.]

YES: Kuwada, McAdams, Takenaka, and Curtis

NO: Andrion, Aquino, Cushnie, and Papalimu

Commissioner Kuwada made a motion to adjourn the meeting, which was seconded by Commissioner McAdam. The motion carried unanimously.