

**STATE OFFICERS ELECTORAL BOARD
Special Board Meeting Via Videoconference
Tuesday, July 6, 2010**

MINUTES

PRESENT:

Bryan A. Schneider, Chairman
Wanda L. Rednour, Vice Chairman
Patrick A. Brady, Member
John R. Keith, Member
William M. McGuffage, Member
Albert S. Porter, Member
Jesse R. Smart, Member
Robert J. Walters, Member

ALSO PRESENT:

Daniel W. White, Executive Director
Rupert Borgsmiller, Assistant Executive Director
Steve Sandvoss, General Counsel
Amy Calvin, Administrative Specialist II

The special meeting of the State Officers Electoral Board was called to order via videoconference means at 2:17 p.m. with all Members present. Chairman Schneider and Members Brady, McGuffage and Porter were present in Chicago, Member Smart was present in Springfield and Member Walters was present in Godfrey. Vice Chairman Rednour and Member Keith were present via telephone.

The first item on the agenda was to call cases and accept appearances for objections to new party and independent candidate petitions for the November 2, 2010 General Election. The General Counsel called the following cases:

- a. *Birkner v. Falconer*, 10SOEBGE104 – Alexandra Birkner was present on behalf of the objector and no one appeared for the candidate;
- b. *Milleville v. McKerrow*, 10SOEBGE105 – John Fogarty was present on behalf of the objector and no one appeared for the candidate;
- c. *Slover v. Carter*, 10SOEBGE106 – Michael Kasper was present on behalf of the objector and candidate Bradley Carter appeared pro se;
- d. *Webb v. Rice*, 10SOEBGE107 – John Fogarty and Brien Sheahan were present on behalf of the objector and candidate Jason Rice appeared pro se;
- e. *Sercye v. Walls III & Scanlan*, 10SOEBGE501 – Burt Odelson was present on behalf of the objector and Andrew Spiegel was present on behalf of the candidates;
- f. *Seryce v. Moore*, 10SOEBGE502 – Burt Odelson was present on behalf of the objector and candidate Gregg Moore was present pro se;
- g. *Tegeler Jr./Gauntt v. Marks*, 10SOEBGE503 – Andrew Raucci was present on behalf of the objectors and no one appeared for the candidate;
- h. *Dunaway/White v. Pedersen*, 10SOEBGE504 – Michael Dorf and Paul Lehner were present on behalf of the objectors and no one appeared for the candidate;
- i. *Dunaway/White v. Horton*, 10SOEBGE505 - Michael Dorf and Paul Lehner were present on behalf of the objectors and candidate Shon-tiyon “Santiago” Horton was present

- pro se;
- j. *Dunaway/White v. Boyd, Jr.*, 10SOEBGE506 - Michael Dorf and Paul Lehner were present on behalf of the objectors and Randy Crumpton was present on behalf of the candidate;
 - k. *Dunaway/White v. Dabney*, 10SOEBGE507 - Michael Dorf and Paul Lehner were present on behalf of the objectors and Dan Johnson-Weinberger was present on behalf of the candidate;
 - l. *Dunaway/White v. Officer*, 10SOEBGE508 - Michael Dorf and Paul Lehner were present on behalf of the objectors and candidate Carl Officer was present pro se;
 - m. *Slover v. Carter*, 10SOEBGE509 – Michael Kasper was present on behalf of the objector and candidate Bradley Carter was present pro se;
 - n. *McLain v. Hendrickson*, 10SOEBGE510 – John Countryman was present on behalf of the objector and no one appeared for the candidate;
 - o. *Atsaves v. Clark*, 10SOEBGE511 – John Countryman was present on behalf of the objector and James Nally was present on behalf of the candidate;
 - p. *Heffernan v. Estill*, 10SOEBGE512 - John Fogarty and Brien Sheahan were present on behalf of the objector and candidate Stephen Estill was present pro se;
 - q. *Heffernan v. Martin*, 10SOEBGE513 - John Fogarty and Brien Sheahan were present on behalf of the objector and no one appeared for the candidate;
 - r. *Heffernan v. Pedersen*, 10SOEBGE514 and 515 - John Fogarty and Brien Sheahan were present on behalf of the objectors in both cases and no one appeared for the candidate;
 - s. *Heffernan v. Officer*, 10SOEBGE516 - John Fogarty and Brien Sheahan were present on behalf of the objector and candidate Carl Officer was present pro se;
 - t. *Heffernan v. Horton*, 10SOEBGE517 - John Fogarty and Brien Sheahan were present on behalf of the objector and candidate Shon-tiyon “Santiago” Horton was present pro se;
 - u. *Heffernan v. Moore*, 10SOEBGE518 - John Fogarty and Brien Sheahan were present on behalf of the objector and candidate Gregg Moore appeared pro se;
 - v. *Heffernan v. Pedersen*, 10SOEBGE519, 520, 521 and 522 - John Fogarty and Brien Sheahan were present on behalf of the objector in all cases and no one appeared for the candidate;
 - w. *Meroni v. Cohen*, 10SOEBGE523 – objector Sharon Meroni was present pro se and James Nally was present on behalf of the candidate;
Meroni v. Trexler, 10SOEBGE524 - objector Sharon Meroni was present pro se and Doug Ibendahl was present on behalf of the candidate;
Meroni v. Moore, 10SOEBGE525 - objector Sharon Meroni was present pro se and

candidate Gregg Moore was present pro se;

Meroni v. Malan, 10SOEBGE526 - objector Sharon Meroni was present pro se and Andrew Spiegel was present on behalf of the candidate;

Meroni v. Pauly, 10SOEBGE527 - objector Sharon Meroni was present pro se and Andrew Spiegel was present on behalf of the candidate;

Meroni v. Hanson, 10SOEBGE528 - objector Sharon Meroni was present pro se and Andrew Spiegel was present on behalf of the candidate;

Meroni v. Fox, 10SOEBGE529 - objector Sharon Meroni was present pro se and Andrew Spiegel was present on behalf of the candidate;

Meroni v. Labno, 10SOEBGE530 - objector Sharon Meroni was present pro se and Andrew Spiegel was present on behalf of the candidate;

Meroni v. Horton, 10SOEBGE531 - objector Sharon Meroni was present pro se and Shon-tiyon "Santiago" Horton was present pro se;

Meroni v. White, 10SOEBGE532 - objector Sharon Meroni was present pro se and Doug Ibendahl was present on behalf of the candidate;

Meroni v. Dunlap, 10SOEBGE533 - objector Sharon Meroni was present pro se and Doug Ibendahl was present on behalf of the candidate;

Meroni v. Cotton, 10SOEBGE534 - objector Sharon Meroni was present pro se and Doug Ibendahl was present on behalf of the candidate;

Meroni v. Becker, 10SOEBGE535 - objector Sharon Meroni was present pro se and Doug Ibendahl was present on behalf of the candidate;

Meroni v. Swilley, 10SOEBGE536 - objector Sharon Meroni was present pro se and Mark Evans and James Nally were present on behalf of the candidate;

Meroni v. Officer, 10SOEBGE537 - objector Sharon Meroni was present pro se and candidate Carl Officer was present pro se;

Meroni v. Walls, III, 10SOEBGE538 - objector Sharon Meroni was present pro se and Andrew Spiegel was present on behalf of the candidate;

Meroni v. Dabney, 10SOEBGE539 - objector Sharon Meroni was present pro se and Dan Johnson-Weinberger was present on behalf of the candidate;

Meroni v. Scanlan, 10SOEBGE540 - objector Sharon Meroni was present pro se and Andrew Spiegel was present on behalf of the candidate;

Meroni v. Czarny, 10SOEBGE541 - objector Sharon Meroni was present pro se and Doug Ibendahl was present on behalf of the candidate;

Meroni v. Pedersen, 10SOEBGE542 - objector Sharon Meroni was present pro se and no one appeared for the candidate;

Meroni v. Rutledge, 10SOEBGE543 - objector Sharon Meroni was present pro se and Andrew Spiegel was present on behalf of the candidate;

- Meroni v. Green*, 10SOEBGE544 - objector Sharon Meroni was present pro se and Andrew Spiegel was present on behalf of the candidate;
- Meroni v. Pedersen*, 10SOEBGE545, 546, 547 and 548 - objector Sharon Meroni was present pro se and no one appeared for the candidate;
- Meroni v. Martin*, 10SOEBGE549 - objector Sharon Meroni was present pro se and no one appeared for the candidate;
- Meroni v. Estill*, 10SOEBGE550 - objector Sharon Meroni was present pro se and candidate Stephen Estill appeared pro se;
- Meroni v. Pedersen*, 10SOEBGE551 and 552 - objector Sharon Meroni was present pro se and no one appeared for the candidate;
- Meroni v. Boyd, Jr.*, 10SOEBGE553 - objector Sharon Meroni was present pro se and Randy Crumpton appeared on behalf of the candidate;
- x. *Sherman v. Pedersen*, 10SOEBGE554 and 555 – Andrew Finko was present on behalf of the objector in both cases and no one appeared on behalf of the candidate;
- y. *Sherman v. Moore*, 10SOEBGE556 – Andrew Finko was present on behalf of the objector and candidate Gregg Moore appeared pro se;
- z. *Sherman v. Pedersen*, 10SOEBGE557, 558, 559, 560, 561, 562 and 563 – Andrew Finko was present on behalf of the objector in all cases and no one appeared for the candidate;
- aa. *Sherman v. Officer*, 10SOEBGE564 – Andrew Finko was present on behalf of the objector and candidate Carl Officer was present pro se;
- bb. *Sherman v. Martin*, 10SOEBGE565 – Andrew Finko was present on behalf of the objector and no one appeared for the candidate;
- cc. *Sherman v. Estill*, 10SOEBGE566 – Andre Finko was present on behalf of the objector and candidate Stephen Estill was present pro se;
- dd. *Heffernan v. Libertarian slate*, 10SOEBGE567 - John Fogarty and Brien Sheahan were present on behalf of the objector and Andrew Spiegel was present on behalf of the candidates;
- ee. *Heffernan/Nekic v. Boyd, Jr*, 10SOEBGE568 - John Fogarty and Brien Sheahan were present on behalf of the objectors and Randy Crumpton was present on behalf of the candidate;
- ff. *Nekic/Heffernan v. Dabney*, 10SOEBGE569 - John Fogarty and Brien Sheahan were present on behalf of the objector and Dan Johnson-Weinberger on behalf of the candidate;
- gg. *Heffernan/Necik v. Constitution slate*, 10SOEBGE570 - John Fogarty and Brien Sheahan were present on behalf of the objectors and Doug Ibendahl was present on behalf of the candidates.

The next item on the agenda was to approve the Rules of Procedure. Member Smart moved the Rules be approved and seconded by Member Brady. Member Porter had some concerns about the language in Item Number Four where it gives the Chairman of the Board and a Member of the Board designated by the Chairman or hearing examiner the right to preside at such hearings. The General Counsel commented that he did not think a Chairman of the Board in the past had presided over a meeting or designated another person to do so and offered to adjust the language to take into account Member Porter's concerns. After discussion it was agreed to amend that portion of the Rules by striking "The Chairman of the Board, a Member of the Board designated by the Chairman or the" and insert "if a hearing examiner is appointed" and that sentence will read "if a hearing examiner is appointed, the hearing examiner shall preside over all such hearings." Members Smart and Brady agreed to the amendment and the motion passed by roll call vote of 8-0.

Member Keith moved to appoint the hearing officers as recommend by the General Counsel. In the case there is a recusal of any hearing officer, the General Counsel has the authority to appoint a replacement hearing officer from the list of appointed hearing officers. Member Smart seconded the motion which passed by roll call vote of 8-0.

The General Counsel reported on *Kvernes v. Schorfheide*, 10SOEBGE102 and indicated the candidate filed a withdrawal of candidacy which rendered the objection moot. Andrew Finko, attorney for the objector and Michael Kasper, attorney for the candidate both concurred.

With there being no further business before the State Officers Electoral Board Member Brady moved to recess until the call of the Chairman. Member McGuffage seconded the motion which passed unanimously. The meeting recessed at 3:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Amy Calvin, Administrative Specialist II

Daniel W. White, Executive Director