

ALABAMA BOARDS OF REGISTRARS LEGISLATION TASK FORCE

Meeting Minutes

March 10, 2016

Call to order

Secretary Merrill called to order the meeting of the Alabama Boards of Registrars Legislative Task force at 2:15 pm on March 10, 2016 in the Jones Room of the Alabama Department of Archives and History.

Roll call and Acknowledgement of Notification of Meeting

Secretary Merrill informed the Task Force that the meeting notice was published online on the Alabama Secretary of State website, and therefore, was properly noticed per the Alabama Open Meetings Act. Secretary Merrill initiated a roll call by asking each member of the task force to introduce themselves in a clockwise sequence around the room. Members present were Alan Baker, Albert Lipscomb, Charles Woodroof, Don Davis, Eugenia Stone, Randy Vest, Ronda Walker, Sammy Glover, Secretary Merrill, Steve McKinnon, and Tiffany B. McCord. Ex officio members present were Clay Helms, Cindy Wright, Ed Packard, Hope Curry and Will Edwards. Guests present were Chase Cobb, Jesse Skaggs, Morgan Arrington and Ray Long.

Review of Agenda and Minutes from previous meeting

Secretary Merrill asked the task force to review the agenda for the present meeting and the minutes for the meeting held on February 9, 2016. Don Davis motioned to approve the minutes and a second was given by Sammy Glover. The Task Force voted all in favor and approved the minutes.

Old Business

There was no old business.

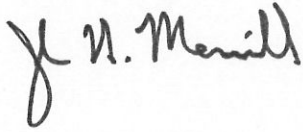
New Business

The Task Force discussed the survey spreadsheet containing responses from Probate Judges, Boards of Registrars, County Commissioners and Circuit Clerks along with apparent trends in the responses. The Task Force discussed the state-by-state comparison of surrounding states, and Secretary Merrill told the members to expect a spreadsheet comparison to be issued sometime within the next week. Other topics discussed were: electronic voter registration and technical capabilities, formalized training and certification options, oversight, rural versus urban operation, opt-in and opt-out provisions, funding for compensation and civil service boards for appointment.

Next Meeting/Adjournment

Secretary Merrill set the next meeting for April 20, 2016 at 10:00 am in the Milo Howard Auditorium of the Alabama Department of Archives and History. With no other business before the group, Secretary Merrill adjourned the meeting at approximately 3:35 pm.

Submitted by: Clay Helms

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "J. N. Merrill". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looped initial "J".