

MEETING OF THE
COMMISSIONERS OF ELECTIONS
HELD ON TUESDAY, APRIL 10, 2012
AT 1:30 P.M.
42 BROADWAY, 6th FLOOR, EVS CONFERENCE ROOM
NEW YORK, NY 10004

PRESENT: President Maria R. Guastella
Secretary Frederic M. Umane

Commissioners Araujo, Dent, Polanco, Schacher, Sipp, Stupp

Dawn Sandow, Deputy Executive Director
Pamela Perkins, Administrative Manager
John Ward, Finance Officer
Dorothy Delayo, Director, Personnel
Valerie Vazquez, Director, Communications and Public Affairs
Joel Bermejo, Temporary Contract Attorney, OGC
Giacomo Kmet, Temporary Contract Attorney, OGC
Charles S. Webb, III, Counsel to the Commissioners
Steven B. Denkberg, Counsel to the Commissioners

GUEST: A.B. Britton, KLC – GOP
Stewart Armstrong, Campaign Finance Board
Monica Bartley, CIDNY
Kate Doran, LWV
Marjorie Shea, Women's City Club
John D. Smith
Liz Brown, for Council Member Gale Brewer
Cathy Gray
Mazeda A. Uddin
Alex Camarda, Citizens Union
Stella Ma, AALDEF
Alan Flacks, Member of NY Democratic County Committee

President Guastella called the meeting to order at 1:35 P.M.

Commissioner Polanco requested to discuss a Bronx personnel matter in Executive Session.

Commissioner Araujo moved to table the minutes of the April 3, 2012 meeting. Commissioner Sipp seconded the motion, which was unanimously adopted.

Mr. Ward presented the Vacancy Report dated April 10, 2012. A copy of the report is the agenda.

President Guastella moved to convene an Executive Session to discuss litigation matters, which was unanimously adopted.

Following the Executive Session, the open public meeting resumed.

Secretary Umame moved to adopt the recommendations of the Language Assistance Group which consists of Board Staff, the Office of the Corporation Counsel, and the Department of City Planning, to have Bengali

as the designated written language for the South Asian-Indian language pursuant to the order of 28 CFR 55.12, and to adopt Bengali and Hindi languages to be used orally. When possible, the Board will try to find Interpreters who are able to speak both Hindi and Punjabi languages. Commissioner Sipp seconded the motion, with Commissioner Dent opposing. The motion was adopted. Commissioner Dent explained that she opposed the motion because the Community Boards have to be informed of the decisions that were made today.

President Guastella reported on the action that was taken in Executive Session.:

- I. The Commissioners unanimously voted to reduce an Associate Staff Analyst line to an Administrative Associate line and to place Marvin Renderos, a Spanish Interpreter in the General Office, to the position of Administrative Associate with an annual salary of \$50,723. The Administrative Assistant line is now vacated and Marianne Noce, a Financial Clerk in the General Office, will be placed to the position of Administrative Assistant with an annual salary of \$42,659.

Commissioner Sipp moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Polanco seconded the motion, which was unanimously adopted.

The next stated meeting of the Commissioners is scheduled for Tuesday, April 17, 2012 at 1:30 P.M.