

City of Takoma Park, Maryland
Board of Elections

Monday, March 12, 2018
7:30 pm – Third Floor Council Conference Room
Takoma Park Community Center – Sam Abbott Citizens' Center

AGENDA

- 1 Call to order
- 2 Agenda approval
- 3 Board business
 - a) Approval of minutes (February 12)
 - b) Vacancy
- 4 Status of 2017 election report
- 5 Status of report on ranked-choice-voting patterns
- 6 2020 election
 - a) Status of memorandum of understanding with county board of election
 - b) County practice on using county staff as election workers
 - c) Availability of and cost of purchase of a poll book (for training)
 - d) 2016 turnout by ward-and-precinct combinations
- 7 Start of charter and code review
 - a) Give those qualified to register with the county the option of registering with the city?
 - b) Eliminate provisions for voting by released felons? (Superceded by changes at state level?)
 - c) Consolidate separate registration lists for different types of Takoma-Park-only voters?
 - d) Define "in line at poll closing time" for side-by-side elections (where there are two lines)?
 - e) Yard sign authority requirement?
 - f) Electioneering (poll watcher garb, advocacy for non-city candidates)?
 - g) Harmonization with county (for side-by-side elections)?
 - h) Clear guidance on "distinguishing marks" on ballots?
 - i) Consistent use of "Elections Board" or "Board of Elections" in code and charter (both are currently used)?
 - j) Other?
- 8 Other business
- 9 Adjourn

From: **McLaughlin, Alysoun N** <Alysoun.McLaughlin@montgomerycountymd.gov>

Date: Tue, Feb 13, 2018 at 9:31 AM

Subject: RE: County Staff as Election Judges

To: Jessie Carpenter <jessiec@takomaparkmd.gov>

Cc: "Jurgensen, Margaret" <Margaret.Jurgensen@montgomerycountymd.gov>

Hi, Jessie! Good to hear from you.

The State of Maryland does offer administrative leave to state employees to work at the polls on Election Day. See the bottom of the page at http://www.elections.state.md.us/get_involved/election_judges.html.

In Montgomery County, the answer is "sort of". We used to do the same, but there was a concern a few years ago that paying both administrative leave and an Election Judge stipend amounted to double dipping. Now county employees may either take administrative leave or earn a stipend for their standard 8-hour day on Election Day, but not both. If they opt to take the administrative leave, they only get a prorated stipend for the hours worked in addition to their standard 8-hour day. It's a challenge for our recruiters to handle because employees' regular scheduled shifts vary. In most cases, though, employees just go ahead and take the full day of leave to earn the full stipend.

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Attention: State of Maryland Employees

State of Maryland employees who are scheduled to work on election day can use administrative leave to serve as an election judge and keep the election judge pay. **Note:** Only State employees scheduled to work on election day can use administrative leave.

If you are a State employee and want to serve as an election judge, follow your normal procedures for requesting leave and contact your [local board of elections](#) to sign up as an election judge. The [local boards of elections](#) have the paperwork you may need to provide to your supervisor.

Takoma Park Voting by Precinct – 2012 & 2014 Elections

Montgomery County combined Precincts 13-67 and 13-68 for the 2016 elections. The tables below show the actual voting by precinct and the voting by precinct with Precincts 13-67 and 13-68 combined.

2012 - Presidential General Election - Actual Precincts

Precinct	Ward 1	Ward 2	Ward 3	Ward 4	Ward 5	Ward 6	Total by Precinct
13-04 Takoma Park Elementary School	1184						1184
13-06 Piney Branch Elementary School	571	682	673				1926
13-21 Takoma Park Middle School	64	118	350	998	967		2497
13-67 Grace Memorial Church		441	753			81	1275
13-68 Takoma Park Recreation Center		450				970	1420
Total by Ward	1819	1691	1776	998	967	1051	8302

2012 - Presidential General Election - Precincts 13-67 & 13-68 Combined

Precinct	Ward 1	Ward 2	Ward 3	Ward 4	Ward 5	Ward 6	Total by Precinct
13-04 Takoma Park Elementary School	1184						1184
13-06 Piney Branch Elementary School	571	682	673				1926
13-21 Takoma Park Middle School	64	118	350	998	967		2497
13-67/13-68 Combined		891	753			1051	2695
Total by Ward	1819	1691	1776	998	967	1051	8302

2014 - Gubernatorial/Congressional General Election - Actual Precincts

Precinct	Ward 1	Ward 2	Ward 3	Ward 4	Ward 5	Ward 6	Total by Precinct
13-04 Takoma Park Elementary School	836						836
13-06 Piney Branch Elementary School	438	462	468				1368
13-21 Takoma Park Middle School	54	71	226	553	444		1348
13-67 Grace Memorial Church		302	464			40	806
13-68 Takoma Park Recreation Center		327				627	954
Total by Ward	1328	1162	1158	553	444	667	5312

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