

State Election Commission

May 8, 2025, at 9:00 AM

Secretary of State's Office

PUBLIC Call-in Information:

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Members:

Matthew Chapman – Chair
Kris Warner, WV Secretary of State
Caleb David
Bradley Dunkle
Benjamin Sullivan

Agenda:

- 1) Call to Order at 9:00 am.
- 2) Approval of Minutes from 1.10.25.
 - Mr. David motions to approve.
 - Mr. Sullivan seconds.
 - Motion passed
- 3) Consideration for certification of EVS 6.5.0.0. (*Vote required*)
 - Ms. Westfall sums up how the examiners recommended the approval of certification of EVS 6.5.0.0.
 - Mr. Caleb motions to approve EVS. 6.5.0.0. for certification.
 - Mr. Sullivan seconds.
 - Motion passed.
- 4) Consideration of requests for relief from civil penalties owed by political committees for filing delinquent campaign finance reports; (*no vote required, discussion is public; SEC guidance is sought by SOS pursuant to W. Va. Code 3-1A-5*).
 - Representatives from the Brook-Hancock Labor Council, former Candidate Samuel Paul Hess, and former candidate Louis Bloom provide explanations for the late filings.

5) Election Investigation Matters (*motion for executive session would be in order pursuant to W. Va. Code 3-8-8(i) and SCR 153-21-5.8 which prohibit public disclosure of election investigations*)

- At 9:27 am, Mr. Sullivan motions to go into Executive Session.
- Mr. David seconds.
- Motion passed.
 - Mr. Dunkle motions to leave Executive Session at 9:55 am (Mr. Dunkle left the meeting).
 - Mr. David seconds.
 - Motion passed.
- Mr. Chapman summarizes how the SEC has recommended that all three hardships are granted. Due to technical issues, it's recommended that Mr. Hess and Mr. Bloom's hardship be relieved to owing \$0. The SEC recommends to the Secretary of State that the Brooke-Hancock Labor Council pay the lowered amount of \$1,000.
 - At 10:01 am, Mr. David motions the SEC to go into Executive Session
 - Mr. Sullivan seconds.
 - Motion passed.
 - At 10:30 am, Mr. Sullivan motions to leave Executive Session
 - Mr. David seconds.
 - Motion passed.

6) Other Business

- Mr. Kersey discusses the use of \$6,000 to recreate the "Voter ID Rack Card" because of the recent law change.
 - Mr. Sullivan motions to approve this expenditure.
 - Mr. David seconds.
 - Motion passed.

7) Adjournment

- Mr. David motions to adjourn at 10:33 am.
- Mr. Sullivan seconds.
- Motion passed.