

MINUTES

Board of Governors' Meeting March 29, 2022

Pursuant to Executive Order 2020-07 (as amended by Executive Order 2020-44) and amendments to the Open Meetings Act as contained in Public Act 101-0640,

Chairman Goetten called the meeting to order at 10:00 A.M. and said the teleconference meeting was pursuant to Executive Order 2020-07 (as amended by Executive Order 2020-44) and amendments to the Open Meetings Act as contained in Public Act 101-0640, in response to COVID-19. He thanked all for joining the teleconference and requested that Secretary Noll call the roll. Secretary Noll did so, and Chairman Goetten noted the presence of a quorum.

ROLL CALL

Board Members Present:

Ben Goetten, Chairman
Brandon J. Zanotti, Vice-Chairman
Gray Herndon Noll, Secretary
Robert Berlin
Eric Weis

Board Members Absent:

Denton Aud
Kimberly M. Foxx
Colby Hathaway
Stewart J. Umholtz

Staff:

Patrick J. Delfino, Director
David J. Robinson, Chief Deputy Director
Matthew Jones, Associate Director
Megan Kelly, Administrative Assistant

Chairman Goetten made a motion to approve the minutes of the previous Board of Governors' Meeting of December 1, 2021, and Secretary Noll seconded the motion.

Chairman Goetten asked for discussion. Hearing none, he called for a vote.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 1, 2021, BOARD OF GOVERNORS' MEETING MADE BY CHAIRMAN GOETTEN AND SECONDED BY SECRETARY NOLL. MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS ROLL CALL VOTE.

Chairman's Remarks

Chairman Goetten opened the meeting by thanking all Board Members for taking time from their busy schedules to participate in the teleconference. He stated that he would proceed with the meeting in a very timely manner.

Chairman Goetten stated his thanks to Director Delfino and Agency personnel for continuing to provide outstanding service to Illinois State's Attorneys.

Chairman Goetten again expressed his appreciation to all participants and requested that Director Delfino make his report.

Director's Report

Director Delfino thanked Chairman Goetten and stated that FY22 county contributions were at the 91% level and that he expected to reach 100% in the near future.

Director Delfino then gave a comprehensive overview on all Agency FY22 budgetary items. He again expressed his appreciation to Chief Fiscal Officer Gloria Mundy for her accomplishments and expertise in dealing with budgetary issues.

He further stated that the FY23 Budget Request was included in the packet material and that this request is basically identical to the FY22 Budget. He next said he would answer any questions and asked for Board approval.

Chairman Goetten made a motion to approve the FY23 Budget Request as submitted, and Board Member Weis seconded the motion.

Chairman Goetten asked for discussion. Hearing none, he called for a vote.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE FY23 BUDGET REQUEST AS SUBMITTED MADE BY CHAIRMAN GOETTEN AND SECONDED BY BOARD MEMBER WEIS. MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS ROLL CALL VOTE.

Director Delfino then stated that all activity reports, brief production, special prosecution cases, CLE programs, and tax objection statistical results are listed in the Board packet. He said he would answer any questions on this material. He then thanked Chief Deputy Director Robinson, all Deputy Directors, and Associate Director Jones for their administrative and legal skills.

He next reviewed the Agency's Contractual and Personnel Update and said we would need a roll call vote.

Chairman Goetten made a motion to approve the proposed Agency's Contractual and Personnel List as submitted, and Vice-Chairman Zanotti seconded the motion.

Chairman Goetten asked for discussion. Hearing none, Chairman Goetten called for a vote.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE PROPOSED AGENCY'S CONTRACTUAL AND PERSONNEL LIST AS SUBMITTED MADE BY CHAIRMAN GOETTEN AND SECONDED BY VICE-CHAIRMAN ZANOTTI. MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS ROLL CALL VOTE.

Director Delfino next asked for Board approval on the proposed FY21 Annual Report which was sent in the Board material.

Chairman Goetten made a motion to approve the proposed FY21 Annual Report as submitted, and Board Member Weis seconded the motion.

Chairman Goetten asked for discussion. Hearing none, he called for a vote.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE PROPOSED FY21 ANNUAL REPORT AS SUBMITTED MADE BY CHAIRMAN GOETTEN AND SECONDED BY BOARD MEMBER WEIS. MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS ROLL CALL VOTE.

Director Delfino then said that no action was taken on the Cannabis Expungement Fund because no material was received from the Prisoner Review Board or the Attorney General's Office.

He stated that both agencies had experienced massive security problems with IT issues so they were unable to compile the necessary material. He further stated he would keep the Board fully informed and that this concluded his report.

Chairman Goetten expressed appreciation to Director Delfino for his presentation.

Public Comments

Chairman Goetten asked for any comments from the public. There were no members of the public who wished to comment.

Old Business

Chairman Goetten next asked if there was any old business. The Board had no old business to discuss.

New Business

Chairman Goetten said that the new business would be to appoint an At-Large Board Member and to approve and certify the appointment of the At-Large Board Member to the Secretary of State.

Chairman Goetten made a motion to appoint St. Clair County State's Attorney James Gomric as the At-Large Board Member, and Vice-Chairman Brandon Zanotti seconded the motion.

Chairman Goetten next asked for any other nominations. Hearing none, he asked for discussion. There being no discussion, he called for a vote.

MOTION TO APPROVE ST. CLAIR COUNTY STATE'S ATTORNEY JAMES GOMRIC AS THE NEW AT-LARGE BOARD MEMBER MADE BY CHAIRMAN GOETTEN AND SECONDED BY VICE-CHAIRMAN ZANOTTI. MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS ROLL CALL VOTE.

Chairman Goetten then moved to approve and certify the appointment of St. Clair County State's Attorney James Gomric as the new At-Large Board Member to the Secretary of State, and Secretary Noll seconded the motion.

MOTION TO APPROVE AND CERTIFY THE APPOINTMENT OF ST. CLAIR COUNTY STATE'S ATTORNEY JAMES GOMRIC AS THE NEW AT-LARGE BOARD MEMBER TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE MADE BY CHAIRMAN GOETTEN AND SECONDED BY SECRETARY NOLL. MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS ROLL CALL VOTE.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Chairman Goetten again thanked all Board Members for their participation in the teleconference and made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Secretary Noll seconded the motion. Chairman Goetten called for a vote.

MOTION TO ADJOURN THE MARCH 29, 2022, BOARD OF GOVERNORS' MEETING MADE BY CHAIRMAN GOETTEN AND SECONDED BY SECRETARY NOLL. MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS ROLL CALL VOTE.

Meeting adjourned at 10:10 A.M.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED for future approval by the Board of Governors.

MINUTES APPROVED by the Board of Governors, June 22, 2022.