

ALABAMA BOARDS OF REGISTRARS LEGISLATION TASK FORCE

Meeting Minutes

February 9, 2016

I. Call to order

Secretary Merrill called to order the first meeting of the Alabama Boards of Registrars Legislative Task force at 10:00 am on February 9, 2016 in the Milo Howard Auditorium of the Alabama Department of Archives and History.

II. Roll call

Secretary Merrill initiated a roll call by introducing himself, and then asking each member of the task force to introduce themselves in a clockwise sequence around the room. Members present were Alan Baker, Albert Lipscomb, Chris Priest, Don Davis, Eugenia Stone, Lynda Hairston, 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.

III. New Business

Secretary Merrill discussed the purpose of the task force for the 2016 year and then discussed two individual handouts that were given to each member at the beginning of the meeting. Secretary Merrill opened the floor for discussion. Topics initiated by the group were: possible surveys to request feedback by Probate Judges and Boards of Registrars, possible training for registrars at Auburn University, rural versus urban approaches to registrar daily duties, comparison among southern states on how to administratively oversee voter registration at the state and local level, removal of registrars for cause, and a timeline for future meetings.

IV. Next Meeting/Adjournment

After a comparison of calendars by the group members, Secretary Merrill set the next meeting for 2:00 pm on Thursday, March 10, 2016. With no other business before the group, Secretary Merrill adjourned the meeting at approximately 11:25 am.

Submitted by: Clay Helms

