Electoral Board
Richmond County
August 18, 2023 @1334

Attendees:Halle Cullison, William Clements, Skip Samuels, Hope Mothershead, Chris Jett, Lori Webb

1. Halle was asked by the Professors to come to UVA and speak about local government infrastructure in relation to election and cyber security for the Virginia Cyber Navigator Program with the Commissioner of the Department of Elections and the Registrar from Chesterfield County… asked to come back to speak next year.
   1. Spoke about things we may have to deal with going into 2024
      1. AI is considered a concern
   2. The lifespan on our election equipment is coming to an end (technically it should have been done last year)
      1. Several counties use a different vendor from us (Hart) and the price is significantly less
2. Did not have interns this year over the summer months
3. Additional roles to registrar this year… six standards are now the sole responsibility of the registrar.
   1. Emergency plans for day to day operations… voting days, etc.
   2. state may offer resources for small counties w/o IT staff… will work with Mitch to see current emergency response plans for the County.

3. Will contact some Registrar's we share state resources with… NNE, state police, Dominion. Other counties have contracted out for policy writing in reference to cybersecurity standard/policies, rather than the Registrar taking on these roles.
4. Reconfigured office… knocked down door to make space for early voting
    1. Might not meet size requirements
5. Savannah Shropshire worked as a temporary employee with Halle last year… looking for a replacement for her.
    1. Found a recent Radford graduate… Maddie Davis- will work multiple days per week to accommodate the influx of work the office will experience from August (November General)-March (Presidential Primaries).
6. Need to recruit poll workers… ensuring party parity onsite.
    1. Denise wants poll works to fill out tax paperwork this year.
    2. Poll workers get $220/$190 chief/workers
7. Voting
    1. Dual primaries for presidential election… needing double the poll workers 8/location, currently short 30.
    2. Used students to assist in the past… is that an option now?
        1. Not for primaries
        2. Possible for some districts
    3. Electoral board members could also stay at certain polls all day
    4. Parties get a list of poll workers.
    5. L&A for 2024 will be done by the vendor… due to the nature of the presidential election.
        1. Cost around $1600-1800 dollars
    6. ADA compliance checks
        1. Clay can perform these

4. CLOSED SESSION