

August 9, 2024

Williamson County Election Commission

The WCEC held a short meeting **today**.

- Several citizens made comments.
 - Frank Limpus with Tennessee Voters for Election Integrity asked the WCEC for answers to 18 questions concerning missing machine seals, tab numbers that didn't correspond with the seal numbers on the technicians' report that documents numbers when they set up the machines for the March 5th election, protected counts that changed without explanations, sixty-six votes that somehow made it into the election but not on the documentation, a number of examples of poor math that were approved by a number of poll officials, and one tabulator whose post-election serial number dramatically changed from the serial number on the tabulator that was set up pre-election by the technicians. If interested, [here is the report that was presented to the WCEC](#) Chairman and Election Administrator on June 7th documenting these issues. Not wanting to address the questions that had been presented to him nine weeks ago, Chairman Jonathan Duda flippantly said all of the issues were human error. Frank wonders how many human errors are allowed per election?
 - Two citizens discussed a situation from the August 1st election where a citizen was turned away from voting by a poll official because she was wearing a shirt that said: "Loves Jesus and America too." The poll official claimed it was "political campaigning." Both citizens commented that Jesus wasn't running for anything and asked why this occurred and what sort of training is given that would make this poll official turn the voter away. Chairman Duda admitted the WCEC made a mistake and that he called the voter to apologize that this occurred. He said they would do a better job training workers on this. (The voter did turn her shirt inside out and came back to vote the first day of early voting.)
- Commission Chairman Jonathan Duda reminded citizens of the county's "textmygov" text channel that can be accessed for voting updates and notifications.
- He also said that the WCEC had approximately 1,000 new voter registrations.
- The only other agenda item had to do with Senator Marsha Blackburn renting a ballroom at the Cool Spring Conference Center for the November 5th election near where the WCEC has a vote center. However, the issue was since handled as the Senator moved her ballroom to another location. So, the issue was moot.

Next Friday the 16th is the next meeting and here is their [agenda](#). The meeting is at the Election Commission 405 Downs Blvd and starts at 3:00 pm.

Williamson County School Board

The policy committee met on **Monday** [agenda audio](#). They discussed the pressure put on kids when they take the standardized test that must be passed in order to get promoted out of the third grade. Also, I am told that the AI policy is worth checking out.

Next Thursday is the monthly work session. [Agenda video](#). There is no video yet, but if you click on video, it will take you to the page where you can access it at 6:00pm on Thursday to watch live or any succeeding day to watch a recording.

School Board Work Sessions are held on the Thursday prior to the Board meeting at 6:00 PM in the Professional Development Center unless otherwise noted. The PD Center building is located at 1761 West Main Street, Franklin, TN 37064.

Monday the 21st is the school board meeting and if you want to comment, you have from Thursday the 15th at noon until Monday the 19th at noon and here's how you do it:

If you would like to speak at the August 19, 2024, meeting, sign up will begin at 12 pm on Thursday, August 15, 2024 through Monday, August 19, 2024 at 12 pm.

After the district receives your email request to speak and the items listed below, you will receive a confirmation email. That email must be brought with you to the meeting.

To be considered to speak we will need the following items:

Your First and Last Name
Complete Address
Your Topic of Comment
Any Organization You Represent

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The Planning Commission met on **Thursday** [agenda and packet video](#). Very short meeting, about 10 mins long.

Monday the 12th is a special session of the county board ([agenda here](#)) at which time they will be voting on replacing school representative Eliot Mitchel of district 3 who has resigned. Dr. Dennis Driggers, who won the recent school board race for district 3, will be appointed and will take a seat at the school board work session on the 15th.

Board of Mayor and Aldermen (BOMA)

There wasn't much this week, but next week is pretty loaded. Go [here](#). Just scroll up or down and click on the rectangular green button and it will take you to a screen for that meeting with an agenda, packet and video.

Williamson County Republican Party

By now, I'm sure that you all know that I am running for the Republican nomination for commissioner of District 10. There is going to be a convention on **Tuesday, August 12th**. If you live in District 10, please come and, hopefully, vote for me. [Here](#) is **my website** that explains everything.

**If not me, who?
If not now, when?**

“Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen (Heb. 11:1)