

CITIZENS' ELECTIONS OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE (CEOC)

Voter Participation Workgroup

June 4, 2024 | 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. | Virtual Meeting

Members Present: Chair: Jude Ahmed, Stanley Tsao, Hanna Floss, and Christopher Hays

Absent: N/A

Special Guests: Janice Case and Jerelyn Hampton

Council Staff: Tania Mondaca and Ternia Wilson

MINUTES

1. Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 3:00 PM.

2. May 1, 2024 Meeting Minutes

Motion carried unanimously to approve the May 1st meeting minutes.

3. King County Elections Presentation

KCE staff provided a presentation on the various ways ballots are submitted, which includes via fax, drop boxes, email, vote centers, and student engagement hubs.

Chair Ahmed asked what is required to register to vote at the vote center locations. Janice Case responded that identification is required.

Member Floss asked if people can register to vote by themselves at home. Case responded yes, there is an 8-day cut off to register at home and after that you must come in.

Chair Ahmed asked what KCE would want to focus on expanding. Case responded that they would like to focus on legislative priorities that help with providing resources to help incarcerated voters, voters with disabilities and accessible voting by mail.

4. Workgroup Overview of 2024 Presentations and Discussions

Pierce County Library System is revamping their Point of Assistance (PA) program and asked for CEOC staff to touch base with them next year about doing a presentation on PA.

Chair Ahmed commented that King County is preparing for the primary election and proposed to table the jail voting discussion. KCE will present on the topic in the fall.

Staffer Mondaca shared the 2024 workplan highlights for the workgroup to review and plan for the rest of the year.

Chair Ahmed asked when recommendations can be submitted. Staffer Mondaca responded that Chair Juarez will likely ask for recommendations at the end of October. Chair Ahmed suggested that July or August is the best time to think about recommendations and asked members to come to the July meeting with ideas that can be synthesized into recommendations.

Chair Ahmed asked if there is a document containing the workgroup's focus topics. Staffer Mondaca said she will create a document and share with the workgroup.

Member Floss found a slide deck containing information about jail voting and will share it with workgroup members.

5. Staff Updates

Staffer Mondaca asked members to continue to check their emails regularly. Also, reminded members that there will be an elections observation training session in July, but there is no exact date or time yet.

6. Adjournment

Chair Ahmed adjourned the meeting at about 3:44 PM.