

Legislative Committee Meeting

41 West Street, Cromwell, Ct.

November 17, 2015

- Attending: Lauren Olson, Tim DeCarlo, Melissa Russell, Mike Wyman, Sue Larsen, Bonnie Anderson, Rick Marcone, Bill Giesing, Pam Lucashu, Lisbeth Becker, Pete Gostin, Tim Beeble, Elisabeth Santancelo.
- Meeting called to order by Chairwomen Sue Larsen at 10:03 a.m.
- Minutes presented and accepted.
- Lobbyist Jessica Stram commented on survey. Increased participation was noted. News letters to Legislators have started. Expect more feed back once session starts up again. Continue good working relationship with G.A.E. leadership and ROVAC.
- Discussion of survey produced the following "Action Items" for the committee to pursue this year: A) further clarification on EDR, 8pm cutoff, change ending time? WHEN is voter considered registered? Eliminate phone calling? Clarify usage of online registration for EDR. B) Simplify the Cross endorsement/ Unkown reporting. Allow voter to redo ballot or put in Aux bin. Registrars should be counting ballots not assigning votes to minor partys. C) Address the asterisk problem by making requirements for municipal and state/fed. Elections consistent. D) Further address and clarify acceptable signatures for Primary petitions. When lists are generated after endorsements, should new registrants in those districts be accepted if they sign the petition?
- There was also a discussion to standardize the cutoff date for registration. Make time frame the same for both Primaries and General Elections.
- There is a push to have a statewide P.S.A. to advise and encourage voters to keep their registrations current, such as name change, address change, etc.
- A new IVS Prototype will be on display in New Britain and Norwalk. No specific dates given.
- Next meeting scheduled for December 22 in Cromwell.
- Meeting adjourned at 11:50.

Respectfully submitted by Rick Marcone