ELECTIONS COMMISSION

City and County of San Francisco

BUDGET AND OVERSIGHT OF PUBLIC ELECTIONS COMMITTEE (BOPEC)

Christopher Jerdonek, Chairperson Dominic Paris Rosabella Safont



John Arntz, Director of Elections

MEETING MINUTES (DRAFT)

Budget and Oversight of Public Elections Committee (BOPEC) of the San Francisco Elections Commission

Wednesday, December 7, 2016 6:00 p.m. City Hall, Room 421 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place San Francisco, California 94102

1. Call to Order & Roll Call

Commissioner Jerdonek called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Present: Commissioners Jerdonek and Safont. Excused absence: Commissioner Paris. Also present: Director of Elections John Arntz.

2. General Public Comment

No public comment.

3. Approval of Minutes for Previous Meeting

Moved by Commissioner Safont and seconded by Commissioner Jerdonek to approve the draft minutes of the September 7, 2016 BOPEC Meeting. No public comment. The vote was UNANIMOUS to approve.

4. Review of the November 8, 2016 Election

Commissioner Jerdonek reported that he was a polling place inspector. He also described two documents that he included in the agenda packet. The first compared the percentages of challenged vote-by-mail ballots and rejected provisional ballots with previous elections. The second included observations and suggestions.

The committee reviewed and discussed the election with Director Arntz. Commissioner Safont described a disagreement that took place at her polling place over provisional voting.

Public comment:

Mr. Brent Turner said that he spoke with a number of people that experienced problems. He also spoke in favor of open source voting and objected to the two million dollars being approved to extend the voting system contract with Dominion.

Mr. David Cary commended the election reporting, especially the RCV reporting, as well as the contents of the certification letter. He said the wait times improved.

Mr. Pedro Hernandez of FairVote California said that his organization spent time educating campaigns and voters about ranked choice voting prior to the election.

Adjourned at 6:23 p.m.