**Jim Walsh:** We are currently convening the meeting of our board of canvassers. We'll go through the introductions after we finish this issue. It's just a simple approval of the certification of the election. I will accept a motion to certify the election of David Stroben as State Senator in the 27<sup>th</sup> Senatorial District at the March 20, 2012 special election.

Doug Kellner: So moved

Evelyn Aquila: So moved.

Jim Walsh: Second.

Jim Walsh: Favor?

All: Aye.

Jim Walsh: Opposed. Carried. Thank you. We will now move to the,

**Doug Kellner:** And we've just signed the certificates

Jim Walsh: Certificates are signed.

Evelyn Aquila: My seemed to run out of ink.

**Jim Walsh**: Good afternoon everyone. My name is Jim Walsh. It's my honor to be conducting our meeting today and our fellow commissioners will be introducing themselves right now.

Doug Kellner: I'm Douglas Kellner

Evelyn Aquila: Evelyn Aquila

Gregory Peterson: Gregory Peterson

Jim Walsh: And our staff around the board please

Todd Valentine: Todd Valentine

Kimberly Galvin: Kimberly Galvin

Paul Collins: Paul Collins

Joe Burns: Joe Burns

John Conklin: John Conklin

Tom Connolly: Tom Connolly

Bill McCann: Bill McCann

Liz Hogan: Liz Hogan

Bob Brehm: Bob Brehm

Bob Warren: Bob Warren Election Operations

**Jim Walsh:** Thank you all. First item of business, the minutes of the previous meeting. Can I have a motion?

Doug Kellner: I move that we approve them as drafted.

Gregory Peterson: Second

Jim Walsh: All in favor?

All: Aye.

Jim Walsh: Opposed? Carried. Executive Committee report Bob Brehm?

**Todd Valentine:** It's been, you know we're still processing in regards to move so that continues. We've settled you know parking for the staff, to a large measure I should say. We're still settling in on that and at this point we're getting ready to get the office to make sure that it's properly configured for the petition filing for next month. To that end, you know, we're still having issues with regards to getting enrollments done because there were changes in redistricting in counties making changes, local redistricting which preventing them from getting enrollments done in a fashion in a time we would have like in a reconfigurative manner. I mean we still using April 1<sup>st</sup> enrollment date so we're not adding voters but having them in the right spot has been a problem. Or in the right new districts. But we think we're almost there. And yeah that's currently where we're at. Bob?

**Bob Brehm:** I think the only other you know in addition to all of the political change that's happening this year and calendars, etc. and moving the agency, the state's new fiscal system change has been a challenge for all of us and to some extent maybe to you at some point for travel. You know, we had all of the staff that that would have to submit vouchers under the new system trained here you know it was nice that OGS came over here and did that level of training, but you know it's a new system and every time you know Tom and Colleen from the Admin Office try and do something that we think is the

way we're supposed to do it under the new process, you know there's a lot of questions, and there's a lot of back and forth so, so they're struggling with the new system, when to learn it and get the right instructions as to how to carry things out. We did ask for a slightly higher level of training for them and I know that they're trying to schedule it around all the other activities when, when would work best for them. But ideally, you know it's going to change the way we've been doing business drastically, and getting everything vouchered and the record keeping that goes with it. It's just it does take a little bit longer for the work we used to do just because of the learning curve. And, and frankly the system has been down a little bit for the last couple of weeks you know, when we go to do something we get a message it's down, we're fixing something. So with any new system this big, you know there's, there's a learning curve and, and the staff are really working at keeping it up to date. It's not quite as frustrating as when we didn't know if we had parking until the night before it got fixed which was the day we were getting, we knew the old parking space was not going to be in there. But it was the last part of the restacking, and for the most part, I don't think we're hearing complaints, so it seems to be working. Other than that I think it's just the normal getting ready for the next round of activity that's coming our way.

Jim Walsh: Thank you. Legal Kim Galvin please?

**Kim Galvin:** Thank you commissioner. It seems, our report doesn't seem that detailed but we've been very busy in the unit. I think the only thing that we have to add to the written portion is that we have begun answering oh all the valid access questions for the upcoming September primary. As you are aware, petition circulation began and filing dates are coming sooner than we can recognize and also the June congressional primary, we're having a lot of questions on that. And what we're also trying to do is we ran into some problems with spec checking last time around by our staff, just seemed to be you know it took longer cause every couple of years when you get the specific objections in people have to relearn the process cause it's certainly not something they do in their normal course of their job. So we're taking some time and we're going to put together detailed instructions on when you see a certain spec how to look it up so there's a consistent flow through the, through the agency and do some training with the staff before the next set of filings comes in. But other than that, do you have anything to add Paul?

**Paul Collins:** Yes, since we filed our written report the Court of Appeals denied leave in the third CD district Tolda case. So that's done. Also since we filed the written report, the Department of Justice responded to our request for pre-clearance of the TDP which is an acronym for Technical Data Package on the ES&S system saying "We don't really need to pre-clear this" so that's good. So we're all up to snuff with them and the only outstanding issue we have with the pre-clearance is the political calendar which we keep making miniscule changes to as things go on, still hasn't been finalized and approved. The rest of it is in the report that we do each and every month.

**Doug Kellner:** What is the current status of New York City's compliance with the Help America Vote Act?

**Kim Galvin:** We've been sending them their monthly approximately a monthly list of duplicates, felons and deceased voters. To the best of my knowledge in the reports that I've seen and to what I can understand in asking questions, they are fairly, if not very compliant with regard to felon and deceased maintenance. With the duplicates, they sent out their last mail check if you will, to resolve some of the duplicate work in January. They are due to send their next one in July. New York City feels as though when you live in a certain amount of days of an election that you have to keep your registration list static if you will. We've explained that to the Department of Justice and they don't really seem to have a problem with it. So I would say that the manual adjustments to the lists have been certainly up to date with deceased and felons and the duplicates, they've done some but not, not a great deal of work in that regard.

Doug Kellner: And roughly how many duplicates are unresolved at this time?

Kim Galvin: It's in the thousands. Right?

Tom Connolly: Yeah.

**Kim Galvin**: I don't have an exact number but if I recall, because each is a static block so you have to add the number of unresolved together and I know that certain counties are in the thousands amongst themselves, I don't know what the total number is.

**Tom Connolly:** And I think the only other issue is that at times when we get the numbers back from them it's hard to tell in a month when they're doing processing and make duplicates were purged, because they may have been actually reviewed but then deemed not a duplicate, but we don't know how many of those there are. So we know how many duplicates we've flagged and sent to them

**Kim Galvin**: And we know how many are left over, but we don't know of that number that's left over whether or not it was actually resolved or just weren't looked at. So we're trying to figure out a better way to review that idea.

**Doug Kellner:** And what's the status of the planning to have New York City join the system in real time?

**Kim Galvin:** My understanding that the and this is what I've reported to the Department of Justice, so I hope I'm correct, that I've learned that the modification should be made and it should be running functional by the end of 2012.

Jim Walsh: Okay. Election Operations, Joe Burns.

**Joe Burns:** Thank you Commissioner Walsh. A few items. We of course processed and we did earlier today certify the special elections in the 27<sup>th</sup> Senate District. We have received the party call for the six recognized parties and distributed each of those to the county Boards of Elections. Revised our running for office book so as to reflect the changes in the Assembly, Senate and Congressional District lines so that the people will know where petitions need to be filed. We've been collecting enrollment figures from the county Boards of Elections so that we could put out the signature requirements for each of the districts cause as you know we've had this issue with NYSVoter. We're working on the moving forward on asset management. First round of grading is completed and right now we're working on setting up sessions with the vendors. Continue to work on county board reviews, with Terry Breads from our office who is in Essex County today, I review and later this month she will be in Dutchess County. And I guess finally see if Bob wants to say anything about certification?

**Bob Warren**: Well we have the the two vendors that submitted new bills for their EMS system and for their tabulators. We have the entire system for dominion in house now, we're testing on that. We have the EMS system for ES&S in house and we expect and the Automark and we expect the DS 200 bill either today or tomorrow. Both those bills contain the changes for the screens that were required for the double vote and over vote. So we're in the process of getting all that certified and we're hoping to have something finalized by mid July. I'm not sure when the next board meeting will be, but that's our goal, as long as we don't come up with anything major with our testing, that's what we're shooting for.

**Joe Burns**: Oh ah nothing, nothing really new to offer other than we continue to be in contact with the County Board of Elections, their ballots for the federal primary and for the state primary.

**Doug Kellner**: Commissioner I have a few things. What, has there been any further follow up on the counties that had anomalies with larger numbers of over votes since the reports that we've received on the Bronx issue at the last meeting and earlier I think it was Cortland County, that was Yates County ?

Evelyn Aquila: Yates in the Bronx.

**Bob Warren:** Yeah, we've gone through a process of looking at the results from those and all that you can really determine is that some of it may have been based on ballot layout because of the wrapping issues. You can see on a lot of the ballots maybe a trend with the wrapping where they, somebody selected, they were just selecting columns and not not contest. Some of them were legitimate over votes. Nothing appeared totally out of the ordinary, but you could see where some, some issue may have occurred. We're starting to look at; we're going to identify five or six counties that we're going to kind of zero in on after the next primary. Hopefully we're going to get close ones by us until we get a process down that we can work. We can go to the counties, determine what we really want to look at, how we want to look at the data and try to continue that process after each election to make sure there aren't any of these anomalies that come up.

Evelyn Aquila: Can I ask you both something?

Bob Warren: Yes

**Evelyn Aquila:** Do you think that the voter came in and thought that it was just straight down and voted that way or instead of when he should have voted across, or voted across when he should have voted straight down?

**Bob Warren:** No, I think it's just some people looked at it, they voted based on column. They just weren't even looking at contest they just saw a name here a name there a name, you know and just started...

**Evelyn Aquila:** That's what I mean. Did they go in and say you know "I'll vote this way when he should have been voting that way."

Bob Warren: Yeah. I think that might have been some of the issues.

Evelyn Aquila: Now I can understand that happening.

Bob Warren: And some of them looked like just legitimate over votes.

Evelyn Aquila: Yeah. Thank you.

**Doug Kellner:** Next is with the 27<sup>th</sup> Senate District hand count. Has anyone started yet to determine an analysis of the differences between the hand count and machine count?

**Bob Warren:** Anna and I started discussing that last week, last Thursday or Friday I believe it was. I was out yesterday; she's out today so we have to have a follow up conversation to finalize how we're going to proceed with that.

**Doug Kellner:** Alright. We'd very much like the agency to have a report on that issue because I think that data is very important in terms of guiding judges and and the legislature on setting up rules for how to deal with close elections.

Jim Walsh: Alright thank you all. NVRA public information, John Conklin.

**John Conklin:** Good afternoon Commissioners. Well the public information office has been pretty busy. We have a very large volume of inquiries from the press and the public specifically about the congressional primary on June 26<sup>th</sup>, the redistricting, the changes for reapportionment with the petition period already started, lots of questions about that. Signature requirements, things like that. Tom and I have been involved in monitoring the

completion of all the updated redistricting information for the NYCE voter system by the county boards. We continue to coordinate with the counsels office and the county boards to collect information requested by the Department of Justice with regard to the MOVE Act from the 2010 general election. Greg and Patrick have completed board visits in Monroe, Erie and Herkimer in May. They have additional visits scheduled for Chenango, and Dutchess, and Broome in June. Greg is at a, Greg and Patrick are at an NVRA training and board visit in Essex today. We posted a number of things to the website, this time of year, the political calendar for the state and local primary in September. The results of the presidential primary from April, the federal primary certification for the congressional primary, the campaign finance handbook update for 2012, the campaign finance filing calendar for 2012. We put up a link that shows who all the candidates are in all of the districts statewide for the congressional primary. And we posted updates for the running for office section of the website and the new booklet as Joe just mentioned. So that's all I have if there's any questions, or Tom do you have anything to add?

**Tom Connolly:** No I mean aside from the fact that we're working with getting the translations of the various documents that we need to into Bengali which is the new identified language.

Evelyn Aquila: Excuse me Tom could you speak up?

**Tom Connolly:** Sure as part of, they chose Bengali the New York City Board choice Bengali as the language to fulfill the Asian Indian requirement. So we should be getting back those all the necessary documents translated into that language this week and we'll be providing that to the city board for them to use. It did require some changes to the form which I think we'll be taking up later on in the meeting as far as just accommodating that additional language and I think that aside from that John pretty much covered it.

Evelyn Aquila: John could I ask you just an information question?

John Conklin: Sure

**Evelyn Aquila:** In the telephone calls that you get, have you ever you know looked to see you know where they come from? Do they mostly come from just citizens, do they come from organizations, do they come from elected officials? You know just to get an idea of who really calls in and asks these questions.

**John Conklin:** I would say the overwhelming majority is average people, average citizen asking questions. The political class does ask some questions, but they have other ways to get information and most of them are experienced in that.

Evelyn Aquila: And call the local board?

John Conklin: Right, right, right. And then the rest is the press

Evelyn Aquila: Okay. I was just curious that's all.

Jim Walsh: Thank you. Campaign finance Liz Hogan please.

Liz Hogan: Thank you Commissioner. Aside from the numbers that I've given you in the unit report, I just wanted to touch upon a few a few things. You saw that for the July periodic we had a new beta of the software, the revised software that has been distributed to the beta group the testing group. There were some issues that came up as a result of the beta tests for the January periodic that we made provisions for, made some adjustments for and put out a new beta, don't anticipate that there'll be any problems with it and so it should be in effect for the election reports, which actually I think is is good because the election reports, you know there's generally a smaller universe of filers and you know should there be any problems you know I think we're in a better position to help them with a smaller application at the time. We're just wrapping up the seminars this week actually. The staff is in; they're in Nassau, Suffolk and New York City this week. Actually Bill is going after the meeting to the City to participate and oversee the CLE presentations. Two of the presentations of this week are CLE's. I think the CLE issue that Commissioner Kellner pushed us on for a number of years and we've implemented has worked out quite well. There's been a good interest in it and actually we ended up having to close out the registrations for the Manhattan offering. So you know I think when the seminars are finished, and we do our review, you know we may consider how to deal with that next year if there's a more of an interest than we were able to accommodate this year, maybe next year we can do something a little bit different to try to accommodate people, and we'll discuss that in our review of that program.

I did note in my report that Jevon Owens retired last month. The Board does not have an investigator on staff at this time. I did reach out to the State Police because they are by statute required to assist us should we need their assistance. I did reach out, I set up a liaison situation with someone at the State Police and we have to understand that we, with in dealing with them in their assistance are subject to their availability and their timeframes and all of those things so I just bring it to your attention that there is a protocol in place now that we don't have an investigator at the Board, but I don't yet know because we've not utilized it yet, what that really will entail. But I certainly will update you as to that.

Jim Walsh: Excuse me, are we seeking an investigator to take that position or?

Liz Hogan: We have not as of yet. We have not

Jim Walsh: Are we going to?

**Liz Hogan**: But I would certainly like to have that conversation with the co-executive directors about what we can do for that, but it falls just like everything else has. You know we have campaign finance enforcement has now seventeen filled positions and nineteen unfunded positions and I don't know where that particular position will fall in that whole dynamic. I think Todd and Bob and Bill and I should have a conversation about that.

Jim Walsh: Yeah I was asking about is it abolished or is it...?

Liz Hogan: No, it's...

Jim Walsh: Still in the budget but not funded at the moment?

**Liz Hogan**: That position is funded you know through the rest of the fiscal year, that particular position but the other, the other eighteen are unfunded in the budget. And so I don't know what will happen to this but ...

**Evelyn Aquila:** Because when I first came on this board I think we had four investigators.

Liz Hogan: We have three positions at this time.

Evelyn Aquila: And it went to three.

**Liz Hogan:** We have three now. Two of them are unfunded and JR's is funded through the fiscal year so.

Evelyn Aquila: Did you talk to the state police about somebody who's retiring?

Liz Hogan: No I have not reached out in that way, no.

**Evelyn Aquila**: Since we work with them and they've become partners in this, they might be happy. You know people retire; they would make very good investigators I think.

**Liz Hogan**: I haven't reached out in that way. I haven't been directed to do that but certainly if after discussion that's what we want to do...

**Evelyn Aquila**: I hope the board decides to keep him on, that we have at least one. I think it would be very foolish of us not to.

**Liz Hogan:** You know other than the things that are in the report, you know we just do our regular continuous, we have a continuous kind of work that we do and we're doing it. Bill would you like to add anything.

**Bill McCann:** Just that we've drafted up the enforcement calendar for the filings for the cycle for the primary and general elections in county this year now and that should be implemented relative to the July periodic and then onward. CLE's are going very well; we're getting a very positive response. I think we have to look at some logistics because we want to make sure that they're available. And then we were apprised interestingly by a member of the public who wanted to know why we didn't have it also available for accounting continuing the legal education. I was not aware that there was such a thing and they basically said they wanted to know whether it was an oversight on our part and it wasn't an oversight because I didn't know it existed.

Evelyn Aquila: Very generous of you to say that

**Bill McCann:** Well we just were not aware that there's a similar type of thing for CPA's so

**Liz Hogan:** Or that our, our presentation would qualify for what they're required to learn.

Kim Galvin: They're actually required to get more credits than the lawyers.

Liz Hogan: But I don't know what type of program is what I mean.

**Bill McCann:** Correct so I, I just don't know but but anyway we I know as Liz pointed out in Manhattan tomorrow we're at the board. Normally we would have done it at the Borough of Manhattan Community College, but there's a rather rather expensive to conduct them there and we're actually going to be in the board is going to be standing room only tomorrow, there's well over eighty people signed up and that's not a big space. So one of the things we're going to reflect on afterwards is we really need to find a more conductive location for Manhattan and then look at what the budgetary constraints might be. But the Borough of Manhattan Community College for instance is several thousands of dollars to rent their facility for the day and so in the past we generally don't pay for these things. So we would have to explore what some of our other options might be.

**Liz Hogan:** And we do not, there is no charge for the CLE credits that we're offering so I don't know whether that at least this year whether that would have to be revisited if there are costs associated with putting it on, so I don't, I don't know. No, no I understand, but those are the issues that we're, we're going to review at the end of seminar sessions.

**Bill McCann:** But the response is very positive and you know in the places that we haven't offered them people have asked whether we would consider that. That's really a staffing and logistical issue because you need to have an attorney who is a presenter and/or on present to to do them to qualify so you know. But other than those things,

Liz Hogan: It's just normal everyday stuff.

Jim Walsh: Thank you Liz and Bill.

**Doug Kellner:** Ah can I? I have the impression that we're starting to fall behind again on the enforcement reports to the commissioners. Am I correct? For example are there still 2011 cases that are open that have not yet been reported to us

Liz Hogan: Yes there are

Bill McCann: We can take a look at that

**Doug Kellner:** So you know I would urge you to try to get back on track again because especially where almost all of the reports are that they close the cases that we should make those preliminary determinations early on.

Bill McCann: Sure

Evelyn Aquila: And a Presidential year always gives us more you know it generally...

**Doug Kellner:** Yeah we'll get many more at the end of the year so, so we don't want to be behind. So you know I would ask that any 2011 complaints if, if you haven't had time to look at them, then just bring the files to the Commissioners meeting and at the end of the meeting we'll look at them and go through them quickly to triage them.

## Jim Walsh: ITU

**Todd Valentine:** Dan's not here today but I'll point out we are we have the new head of the our new IT Information Officer is scheduled to start on the 21<sup>st</sup> of this month. He was the top of the civil service list so we're looking forward to that. They worked hard to part 2 of the move as we talked about when part 1 was moving actually the staff from the new building to this building. Part 2 of the move was to take our data center from the old building and move it to now a remote location 3 or 4 miles west of here in another state office building. That went okay. It took a few extra days and were a couple of, as expected with systems that have never been put in place you know moving them was going to be problematic. There were a couple of unforeseen things where a couple of the air conditions went on fire, but they put it out and

Evelyn Aquila: At least it didn't take anybody with it.

**Todd Valentine:** No it was fine. We didn't need the police department, it just was fine, but but everything got moved. It was a little rocky getting back online for a couple of days cause it took a while for the e-mail to come back online, the internal servers, it was

as disruptive as we thought it was going to be, that was the only thing that was expected because the only thing everybody really learned was how tied into our own internal network cause you couldn't even print a document because everything runs through the network.

Kim Galvin: Through no fault of our staff though, they worked hard at it.

**Todd Valentine:** No, they did great, they did a great job when they moved us here got us set up and running when we first moved the staff here but you know and they consistently warned us that they couldn't guarantee everything was going to be smooth and, and they were right but overall, it's all up and functioning now. You know as of today, so and then what we're going to start to look at is when we bring the new CIO online is you know we want to look at how the roles of the staff are. I mean obviously budget cuts have taken an impact on that unit we talked about in the past. So we've talked about you know one of the things when we interviewed the position was somebody who could make, help us make that analysis and see what changes might be warranted in you know shifting person to different job titles and to try and get you know as we align more and more into technology to be able to deal with it. But at least you know I think they did great work so. You know it is rocky but they got it done.

**Jim Walsh:** Thank you. Old business? The discussion on independent expenditure regulations led by Liz and Bill.

**Liz Hogan:** Well Commissioner this if you recall at the last meeting there was a the draft language that had been proposed and that had been posted for comment to the register was again before the board and it was my understanding from a discussion with Commissioner Kellner that you know he wished to discuss with the Commissioners certain changes to that language so do you want me...

**Doug Kellner:** I, I can go through it. That all of the public comments that we received addressed the you know whether the draft regulation we had submitted fully met the mandate that the state legislature had given us in drafting the regulations. And in particular the mandate was that the regulations shall require such disclosure to the fullest extent of the law. And so I really left it to us to define what the fullest extent of the law was and the the comments all indicated that agreement with that much of the regulation that was drafted that defined express advocacy, but the comments also suggested that we needed to also track language that the Federal Election Commission and the New York City Campaign Finance Board have done to deal with what the jargon is now calling functional equivalence of express advocacy. And so I, I realize I only circulated this draft a couple of days ago and people may need time to review it and absorb it. After reviewing the, the different methods that people took for functional equivalency, I thought that the best language and the best way to deal with it was to take verbatim the language from the Federal Election Commission Regulations and the reason for that is because it's been challenged in court and has withstood court challenges and I would

recommend that we include this language in our regulations so that we are meeting the mandate that the disclosure be to the fullest extent of the law and that there not be any loopholes for avoiding the independent expenditure requirements by simply omitting the use of the express words vote, oppose, support, elect, defeat or reject it. We put for in our regulation. And on the other hand I think the federal language that they use does create at least some limitation because it does require well the language says "Could only be interpreted by a reasonable person as containing advocacy of the election or defeat of one or more clearly identified candidates." So, I would request that the other Commissioners take some time to review the regulations and perhaps we could discuss it further at the next meeting unless you want to talk about it today.

**Jim Walsh:** Thank you, that's appropriate. Next item new business. Vote to adopt a new version of voter registration form including Bengali. John Conklin and Tom Connolly any comments to add to the...

**John Conklin:** Very straightforward self explanatory. It's stuff that we've done many times with other languages. Bengali is the new voting rights language in New York City to be added so.

Doug Kellner: I move the resolution.

Jim Walsh: Second.

Jim Walsh: All in favor?

All: Aye.

**Jim Walsh:** Opposed, carried, thank you. Vote on a resolution proposing certain amendments to N, 9 NYCRR part 6204 and 6209, Kim Galvin and Paul Collins.

**Paul Collins:** The amendment to 6204 has to do with the eliminations of the state board selecting the colors for designating petitions in the New York City Board. The statutory requirement that we do that went by the wayside more than a year or two or ten or so years ago.

## Doug Kellner: 1993

**Paul Collins:** 1993 yes to be precise. The amendment to 6209 has to do with the elimination of the requirement in our rules and regulations that potential voting system vendors disclose to us their political contributions. That runs a foul of section 73 of the Public Officer's Law which prohibits a state officer from inquiring as to political contributions. We propose to adopt both of these amendments on a consensus basis which in English means on a short way home because we don't conceive that anyone would object to us simply conforming with the law. It will be published in the state

register and 45 days thereafter the board can vote on the amendments. Similarly, we, at the last meeting I think we voted on a consensus basis to amend those sections of the regulations which indicated that the office of the board was either at 99 Washington Avenue or at 40 Steuben. The 45 day period since publication has not yet passed, that's why we're not voting on that today.

**Doug Kellner:** I move the resolution.

Evelyn Aquila: Second

Jim Walsh: All in favor?

All: Aye

Jim Walsh: Opposed? Thank you. our next meeting is scheduled for August 8<sup>th</sup>...

Todd Valentine: 7<sup>th</sup>

**Jim Walsh:** 7<sup>th</sup>, I did it again. August 7<sup>th</sup> still August the 7<sup>th</sup>. We have a potential for Executive Session if anyone has any questions or needs for any further discussion, otherwise we'll accept a motion on the preliminary determinations.

**Doug Kellner:** There was one preliminary determination where I recommended that we open an investigation which was CMP 1110.

Jim Walsh: Do we want it in Executive discussion?

Doug Kellner: Okay so let's approve all of them except CMP 1110.

Evelyn Aquila: Yeah I agree with that 1110

**Bill McCann:** We need to table the last two on the list as well. If we could discuss that in Executive Session that would be great.

**Doug Kellner:** Alright so which ones are we voting on right now? Bill you want to give us the list of what we're actually voting on?

Bill McCann: It would be the first three on the list

Evelyn Aquila: 04, 08 and 21?

Male: No it will be 1204, 1122, and 1121.

Doug Kellner: Alright so moved

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Jim Walsh: Second.

Jim Walsh: All in favor?

All: Aye

**Jim Walsh:** Opposed? Carried. Now we want to go into Executive Session with the remainders?

**Doug Kellner:** Right so let's leave open the possibility that we may want to vote on them after the Executive Session.

Jim Walsh: Can I have a motion to go into Executive Session? Excuse me.

**Bob Brehm:** I know from our calendar just to make sure we try and firm up the dates that we need in order to keep the political calendar deadline that we some certification.

**Doug Kellner:** We also need one on Wednesdays a board meeting Wednesday September 12<sup>th</sup>

Jim Walsh: Okay September good point.

**Bob Brehm:** We may need another one later in September as a tentative date September 27 through approximately but we think that one we might be able to do as one of those web meetings because it should be limited. So we need August 7th

Doug Kellner: September 12<sup>th</sup>

**Bob Brehm:** September 12<sup>th</sup> because we have to certify the federal candidates on...

Evelyn Aquila: Wasn't there another one in June that we had to come up to certify? No

Todd Valentine: The end of September.

Evelyn Aquila: Okay I had something on my calendar.

**Doug Kellner:** So we're not meeting in July but we do have the conference at the end of July.

**Bob Brehm:** July 31<sup>st</sup>, August 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Evelyn Aquila: Oh I'm not so sure.

**Doug Kellner:** It's the conference. You don't have to go to the conference.

Evelyn Aquila: I like the conference though.

Talking

Jim Walsh: August 7<sup>th</sup> and September 12<sup>th</sup>

Evelyn Aquila: I didn't, where's it going to be?

Doug Kellner: Cortland

**Bob Brehm:** It's in Cortland County at a at a

Evelyn Aquila: Is there a direct way to get to Cortland County?

Bob Brehm: It's about 3 hours and 45 minutes from here.

**Evelyn Aquila:** By car?

Kim Galvin: We'll drop you in by helicopter.

Jim Walsh: Okay.

Doug Kellner: Lovely place.

**Jim Walsh**: Next meeting date August 7<sup>th</sup> followed by September 12<sup>th</sup>, possibly followed by another in September

**Evelyn Aquila**: The 27<sup>th</sup> right.

**Jim Walsh:** We did have a motion to go into Executive Session. Is there a second? And all in favor

All: Aye

Jim Walsh: Opposed? Carried. We will go into Executive Session.