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Voting Modernization Board

Modernizing Voting Equipment in California

DATE: February 4, 2005

TO: All County Clerks/Registrars of Voters (05017)

FROM: _____
JOHN MOTT-SMITH
Executive Officer, Voting Modernization Board

SUBJECT: **VMB Actions/Minutes from January 21, 2005 Meeting**

The following are the action items and minutes from the January 21, 2005, meeting of the Voting Modernization Board:

1. Call to order by Chairman Perez at 10:20 am. Members Perez, Finney and Kaufman were in attendance; Members Bustamante and Guardino were absent.
2. A motion was made by Stephen Kaufman and seconded by Tal Finney approve the meeting minutes and transcripts of the July 22, 2004 and October 21, 2004 meetings. Motion passed. The members also approved the new format of actions and minutes.
3. A motion was made by Tal Finney and seconded by Stephen Kaufman to adopt the Proposed 2005 VMB Meeting Schedule. Motion passed.
4. Michael Wagaman presented an update on the status of certification of DRE's with AVVPAT component and other accessible voting equipment.
5. Jana Lean gave a review of the VMB policy on the \$3,000 cap for state contribution for DRE voting machines and ask the Board to consider three options due to the new requirements and higher costs of voting systems: 1) eliminating the spending cap, 2) increase the cap to \$4,000, or 3) solicit county input on the spending cap policy. The Board listened to public comment and requested that staff move this agenda item to next month's meeting agenda for further discussion.

6. Jana Lean gave a staff report on the project documentation submittal deadline and asked the Board to consider changing the July 1, 2005 deadline for counties to submit their Project Documentation Plan. The Board listened to public comment and requested that staff move this agenda item to next month's meeting agenda for further discussion.
7. Jana Lean gave an update on the status of the Voting Modernization Fund Pool Money Investment Board Loan. At the PMIB meeting at the Treasurer's office on November 17, 2004, the loan totaling \$155 million was approved.
8. The update on the status of VMB Conflict of Interest Code agenda item has been moved to the next meeting's agenda.
9. Meeting adjourned at 12:30 pm.

Next Meeting: Thursday, February 17, 2004 at 2:00 pm.

This information is also available on the Prop 41 website at:
<http://www.ss.ca.gov/elections/vma/home.html>.

Meeting transcript will be available in approximately two weeks, pending receipt from the court reporter. If you have any questions, please contact Jana Lean, Staff Consultant to the Board at (916) 653-5144 or the Executive Assistant to the Board, Debbie Parsons at (916) 653-1424.