

## **BOARD OF CANVASSERS**

**OVERSEEING COMMITTEE:** Administrative Services

**DEPARTMENT:** County Clerk's Office

**CONTACTS:** Roger Cardamone, Chief Election Clerk ~ 469-5500

**APPOINTMENTS MADE BY:** The political parties nominate three candidates from each party. The Board of Commissioners votes on the candidates electing two from each party to the Board.

**ORIGIN:** Public Act 116 (1954), Section 168.24(a, b, c, d, e)

### **NOTES:**

- ◆ The Chief Elections Clerk sends letters to the 2 political parties notifying them of the members with terms expiring within 60 days.
- ◆ The names of the political party's nominees are given to Director of Board Services for inclusion in Committee Chair review folder.

### **COMPOSITION:**

**Members:** The Democrat and Republican Chairs submit 3 nominations (each)

**Tenure:** 4 year terms

**Membership** 2 Democrats and 2 Republicans

**Designation:**

### **FUNCTION:**

To enforce the laws and duties pursuant to P.A. 116; to provide for the nomination and election of candidates for public office; to provide for the resignation, removal, and recall of certain public officers; to provide for the filling of vacancies in public office; to provide for and regulate primaries and elections; to provide for the purity of elections; and to guard against the abuse of the elective franchise.

MCL §168.24a states that this Board is mandatory.

MCL §168.24f states that the members of this board "shall receive actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their official duties, and, ... shall be paid at a rate which is equal to the per diem rate paid to the County Board of Commissioners for meetings, or which is equal to ½% of the annual salary of the Commissioners, whichever is greater."

Payment to the members is mandatory. They currently receive a per diem of \$170.34.