



DURHAM COUNTY Board of Elections

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Minutes of Board Meeting

Monday, November 5, 2018, 5:00 p.m.

Members present

Luke Farley, Chair
Philip Lehman, Vice Chair
Michael Gray, Member
Pam Oxendine, Member

Staff present

Elections Director Derek Bowens
Elections Manager George McCue
Elections Administrator Rose Wolf

Audience members present: See attendance sheet

Meeting opening

Chairman Farley called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Farley moved to adopt the agenda as prepared by staff. This motion was seconded by Mr. Gray and passed 4-0.

New business

Review of absentee ballots

The Board reviewed 773 returned absentee-by-mail ballot applications. Staff recommended approval of 734 of the absentee ballot applications and disapproval of 39 of the absentee ballot applications due to deficiencies. Following discussion, Mr. Gray made a motion to approve 40,755 absentee ballot applications, including those received from One-Stop early voting since the last approval meeting, which was seconded by Ms. Oxendine. The motion passed 4-0.

The Board authorized, per N.C. Gen. Stat. 163A-1315(3), that staff be permitted to duplicate and optically scan approved absentee-by-mail ballots.

Approval of Certified Lists

Mr. Bowens presented the Board with the certified lists of absentee ballots and corresponding certificates of oath. Ms. Oxendine moved to approve the certified list of absentee voters, which included 82,953 voters. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Lehman and passed 4-0. Chairman Farley signed the certificates of oath for both civilian and military ballots.

Chief judge and judge substitution appointments

Based upon the recommendations of the political parties and staff, the Board approved a list of two substitutions for Election Chief Judge positions for the November 6, 2018. The approval came by a motion from Mr. Gray, which was seconded by Ms. Oxendine and passed 4-0.

Public comment and questions

There was no public comments and questions provided at the designated time.

General discussion

Mr. Bowens informed the Board that staff was prepared for Election Day and currently delivering equipment to the 57 polling locations.

Adjournment

The Board adjourned at approximately 7:00 p.m. on a motion made by Vice Chairman Lehman, seconded Mr. Gray, and passing 4-0.



Philip Lehman, Secretary