



MEETING MINUTES

Board of Elections Meeting
Tuesday, May 10, 2022
5:15 P.M.

Board Members:

Dawn Y. Baxton, Chairwoman
Gregory D. Irby, Secretary
Philip A. Lehman, Member
Pamela A. Oxendine, Member
David K. Boone, Member

Board Members Present: Chairwoman Dawn Y. Baxton, Member Philip A. Lehman, Member Pamela A. Oxendine, and Member David K. Boone

Board Staff Present: Elections Director Derek Bowens, Deputy Director Brenda Baker, Absentee Coordinator Alan Resley, Logistics and Systems Manager David Beuttel and Systems Specialist Julius Richards

County Staff Present: N/A

Guests in Attendance: See Attendance Sheet

Meeting Type: In-Person and Zoom

Meeting Opening

Chairwoman Baxton called the meeting to order at approximately 5:22 p.m. at the Board of Elections Warehouse (2445 S. Alston Ave, Durham, NC 27713) and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Agenda

Mr. Bowens presented the Board with the agenda for the meeting. Following review, Mrs. Oxendine moved to approve the agenda as submitted by staff. The motion carried, 4-0. Mr. Irby was not present for this meeting.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Bowens presented the Board with minutes from the 5/3 Board meeting. Following review, Mr. Lehman moved to approve the minutes as submitted by staff. The motion carried, 4-0

Public Comment

No comments or questions were provided in the chat.

New Business

a. Review of Absentee-By-Mail Ballots

- Mr. Bowens presented the Board with 235 Civilian, 5 Accepted Cure, and 8,106 One-Stop absentee ballots and applications for review. Following discussion and physical review, Mr. Lehman moved to approve a total of 8,346 Civilian, Accepted Cure, and One-Stop absentee ballots and applications per the recommendation of staff. The motion carried unanimously, 4-0.
- Mr. Bowens presented the Board with 17 duplicated military/overseas ballots and applications. Following physical review of duplicated military/overseas ballots consistent with Board policy, Mr.

Lehman moved to approve a total of 17 military/overseas ballots and allow staff to scan all approved absentee ballots as preparatory steps prior to the count on Election Day in accordance with NCGS 163-234 (2) and (3). The motion carried unanimously, 4-0.

- Mr. Bowens presented the Board with 1 ballot and application designated as Witness Information Incomplete. Following review, Mr. Lehman moved to disapprove the 1 ballot that was missing witness information and directed staff to reissue a ballot to the voter. The motion carried unanimously, 4-0.
- Mr. Bowens presented the Board with 1 ballot and application designated as Pending. Following discussion and physical review, Mr. Lehman moved to disapprove the ballot and directed staff to reissue a ballot to the voter. The motion carried unanimously, 4-0.
- Following the motions for the 1 Witness Information Incomplete ballot and 1 Pending ballot, the approved absentee counts for the May 10, 2022, meeting was CIV 235, Accepted Cure 5, MIL/OVR 17, and One-Stop 8106. The total approved absentee ballot count was 8,363.

b. 2022 Statewide Primary and Election – Chief Judge and Judge Substitutes

- Mr. Bowens presented the Board with staff recommendations for Chief Judge and Judge Substitutes. Following review and discussion, Mrs. Oxendine moved to approve the recommended lists. The motion carried unanimously, 4-0.

General Discussion

Mr. Bowens provided the Board with an update on Early Voting, Election Day preparations, the sole Cary voter, and the pre-election meeting.

Adjournment

The Board adjourned at approximately 6:32 p.m. on a motion made by Mr. Boone. The motion carried unanimously, 4-0.

s/Gregory D. Irby
Member