

MEETING MINUTES

Board of Elections Meeting Tuesday, November 1, 2022 5:00 P.M.

Board Members:

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

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

Guests in Attendance: See Attendance Sheet

Meeting Type: In-Person and Zoom

Meeting Opening

Chairwoman Baxton called the meeting to order at approximately 5:00 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 unanimously, 4-0. Member Gregory D. Irby was not present for this meeting.

Public Comment

No comments or questions were provided.

New Business

a. Review of Absentee-by-Mail Ballots

- Mr. Bowens presented the Board with 27,904 One-Stop, 1577 Civilian, 4 Accepted Cured, 9 Military and 87 Overseas duplicated absentee ballots and applications for approval. Following discussion and physical review, Mr. Lehman moved to approve a total of 27,907 One-Stop, 1577 Civilian, 4 Accepted Cured, 9 Military and 87 Overseas duplicated absentee ballots and applications per the recommendation of staff. The motion also allowed 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 33 ballots and applications designated as Witness Information Incomplete, and 2 Denied Ballots due to voter removal. Following discussion and physical review, Mrs. Oxendine moved to disapprove the 33 ballots and applications that were

- missing witness information and disapproved the 2 denied ballots due to voter removal. The motion carried unanimously, 4-0.
- Following the motions for the 33 witness information incomplete ballots and applications, and the approval of the 2 denied ballots due to voter removal, the approved absentee accounts for the November 1, 2022, meeting was 27,904 One-Stop, 1577 Civilian, 4 Accepted Cured, 9 Military and 87 Overseas ballots. The total approved absentee count was 29,581.

b. 2022 Statewide General 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.

c. Kid's Voting Simulation Approval

• Mr. Bowens presented the Board with a request to authorize a Kid's Voting Simulation in precincts 20, 21, 43, 34-1, and 42 on November 8, 2022. Following discussion, Mr. Lehman moved to approve a Kid's Voting Simulation in all precincts mentioned above. The motion carried unanimously, 4-0.

General Discussion

Mr. Bowens provided the Board with an update on the progress of One-Stop voting.

<u>Adjournment</u>

The Board adjourned at approximately 8:06 p.m. on a motion made by Mrs. Oxendine. The motion carried unanimously, 4-0.

s/Gregory D. Irby Member