



MEETING MINUTES

Board of Elections Meeting
Tuesday, November 8, 2022
2:00 P.M.

Board Members:

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

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

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 2:00 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, 5-0.

Public Comment

No comments or questions were provided.

New Business

a. Counting of Absentee Ballots

- The Board began its count of all absentee ballots per a previously passed resolution. The polls were closed on voting equipment used to count absentee ballots from the early voting period. The Board reviewed this process and once complete, signed results tapes printed from the tabulators. Following the signing of results tapes, Mrs. Oxendine moved to authorize staff to upload election results into the tabulation software and publish to the State Board of Elections website. The motion passed unanimously, 4-0. Mr. Irby was not present for the remainder of the meeting.

b. Voter Challenges

- Mr. Bowens requested the Board to enter challenges to the absentee ballot applications of John Murray (VRN: 000000342175), Clifford Manigault (VRN: 000030016698), Gianna Marquez (VRN: 000030431456), Aniya Palmer (VRN: 000030433576), Mary C. Clements (VRN: 000030000219),

and Randy Harrison (VRN: 000000546639), under N.C. Gen. Stat. §163-89 for various irregularities associated with their cast absentee ballots. Following discussion, the Board unanimously (4-0) entered challenges against the absentee ballots and applications submitted by the voters. Mr. Bowens informed the Board that each voter would be notified via first class mail of the challenge and their requested presence at the November 18, 2022, Canvass meeting. Additional details on the specifics related to each challenge can be found in the official challenge documents executed by Chairwoman Baxton.

General Discussion

Mr. Bowens provided the Board with an update on Election Day activities and staff preparations for Election Night Returns.:

Recess

The Board recessed at approximately 4:00 p.m. and unanimously agreed to reconvene at 7:30 p.m. for the closing of the polls and Election Night Returns. Board members oversaw the receipt and upload of election results from the 57 precincts that were open for the 2022 Statewide General Election.

Adjournment

The Board adjourned at approximately 10:34 p.m. on a motion made by Mr. Boone. The motion carried unanimously, 4-0.

s/Gregory D. Irby
Member