

BOARD OF ELECTIONS

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Director

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Deputy Director

FORSYTH COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

Agenda

May 7, 2018

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Meeting Minutes
May 07, 2018

Meeting Called to Order

A meeting of the Forsyth County Board of Elections was called to order in the second floor meeting room on May 07, 2018 at 4:00 p.m., Chairperson Campbell presiding.

Board Members in attendance: Chairperson Susan Campbell, Vice-Chairman Stuart Russell, Secretary Robert Durrah, and Member John Loughridge

Staff Members in attendance: Director Tim Tsujii, Deputy Director Lamar Joyner, Monica Gary, and Kimberly Stuck

Other Staff: Assistant County Attorney Lonnie Albright

Pledge of Allegiance

Chairperson Campbell led the pledge of allegiance.

Moment of Silence

Chairperson Campbell led a moment of silence.

Public Comment Session

Chairperson Campbell called for public comments, none offered.

Approval of Absentee Ballots

Ms. Gary recommended two Absentee ballots for review that the voter signed but the notary signed as assisting voter and not as a certifying the voter signature. Vice Chairman Russell stated that due to where the notary signed it is technically not witnessed. Chairperson Campbell inquired if that had happened before; Ms. Gary stated it had not; Vice Chairman Russell stated notary stamp states you are a notary it does not describe what you are notarizing. Secretary Durrah inquired if voter could be contacted; Director Tsujii stated the staff could contact them and inform them of that their ballot has been disapproved. Vice Chairman Russell stated that it was possible that the notary assisted the voter. Secretary Durrah requested that staff continue to reach out to voters until they are aware of their ballot status. Vice Chairman Russell moved to disapprove both absentee ballots; Member Loughridge seconded; **Motion carried unanimously.**

Ms. Gary presented ballots to be duplicated as well as remarked ballots for review and approval.

Ms. Gary recommended 75 Absentee ballots for approval. Ms. Gary presented the Board with the absentee ballots received for review of the notary seals as well as witness signatures.

Director Tsujii stated that approximately 45,000 voters participated in Early Voting in 2014 compared to approximately 60,000 in 2018.

Deputy Director Joyner left meeting on staff business.

Secretary Durrah moved to approve the 75 Absentee ballots presented for approval; Member Loughridge seconded; **Motion carried unanimously.**

Approval of Minutes

Vice Chairman Russell moved to approve the minutes with clarifications; Secretary Durrah seconded; **Motion carried unanimously.**

Other Business

Director Tsujii stated that the office had received a lot of calls regarding the redistricting letter and staff has addressed those questions; letters were sent out on April 18, 2018. Chairperson Campbell inquired if pollworkers were aware of the changes; Mr. Tsujii stated that they have been trained to use the computer.

Director Tsujii stated that a voter presented during early voting; adamant that the system had them registered with the wrong party, after voter persisted the Early Voting worker provided the voter with the incorrect ballot; Chief Judge will have to challenge the voter at Canvass; the voter was contacted and will vote a provisional to enable ballot to be approved. Mr. Tsujii also stated that the voter will be notified of the challenge and the original form will be presented to the Board for review; her same day registration will enable her party to be updated.

Director Tsujii announced Deputy Director Joyner's resignation. Vice Chairman Russell offered his appreciation for the work of Mr. Joyner and wished him well in his new opportunity.

Chairperson Campbell requested an overview of Election Day; Director Tsujii provided an overview of the day and the tabulation process.

Adjournment

Secretary Durrah moved to adjourn the meeting; Vice Chairman Russell seconded; **Motion carried unanimously.** Meeting adjourned 5:48 p.m

Approved:

Susan Campbell, Chair

Date

Stuart Russell, Vice Chair

Date

Robert Durrah, Secretary

Date

John Loughridge, Member

Date