

# DURHAM COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

## Minutes of Board Meeting

Thursday, September 22, 2016 5:00 PM

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### Members present

Chairman Bill Brian

Secretary Dawn Baxton

Member Margaret Griffin

### Staff present

Interim Director Samuel Gedman

Deputy Director George McCue

Deputy Director Daniel Lassiter

**County attorney present:** Senior Assistant County Attorney Marie Inserra

### Others present:

See Attendance Sheet

Chairman Brian called the meeting to order after confirming a quorum was present.

The Board reviewed minutes from its 9/8/16 meeting. Ms. Griffin moved to approve the minutes. Secretary Baxton seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

The Board reviewed minutes from its 9/14/16 meeting. Ms. Griffin moved to approve the minutes with amendments proposed by Ms. Inserra. Secretary Baxton seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Mr. Gedman provided the Board with an update from staff, regarding election costs and staffing of voting sites.

Ms. Inserra noted further suggestions for amendments of the 9/14/16 meeting minutes. Ms. Griffin moved to approve the minutes with amendments proposed by Ms. Inserra. Secretary Baxton seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Following a brief question from the audience, Ms. Griffin moved to go into closed session as allowed under General Statute § 143-318.11(a)(6) to discuss personnel matters. Secretary Baxton seconded the motion, which passed 3-0.

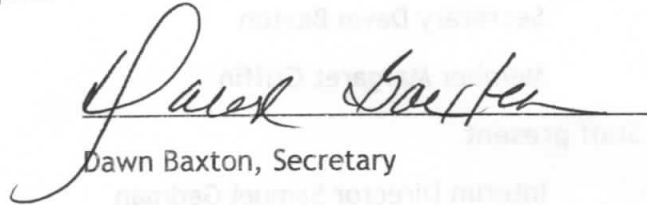
The Board met in closed session from approximately 5:15 p.m. until 6:15 p.m. and then returned into open session.

Ms. Griffin moved to appoint Kate Cosner Interim Director. Secretary Baxton seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

The Board received public comment from Ray Ubinger concerning qualification requirements for write-in candidates under General Statute § 163-123. The Board directed staff to seek clarification on Mr. Ubinger's point from the State Board of Elections.

Mr. Lassiter proposed that the Board meet on Monday, 11/7/16 to conduct business related to processing absentee ballots. The Board expressed agreement with meeting that day at 5:00 p.m.

The Board adjourned at approximately 6:25 p.m.



Dawn Baxton, Secretary