



# DURHAM COUNTY

## Board of Elections

### DURHAM COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

#### Minutes of Board Meeting

Tuesday, March 3, 2020 2:00 P.M.

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#### Members present

Phil Lehman, Chairman  
Michael Gray, Secretary  
Pamela Oxendine, Member  
Dawn Baxton, Member  
Gregory Irby, Member

#### Staff present

Derek Bowens, Elections Director  
Brenda Baker, Deputy Director  
Daniel Lassiter, Elections Manager  
Eric Brown, Elections Systems Specialist

County officials present: N/A

Audience members present: See attendance sheet

#### Meeting opening

Chairman Lehman called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance. The Board meeting was held at 201 E. Main Street, Durham, NC 27701 in Room 126.

#### Approval of Agenda

Mr. Bowens presented the Board with the agenda for the meeting. Following review, Ms. Baxton moved to approve the agenda and all approved, 5-0

#### New Business

- a. Counting of Absentee Ballots
  - The Board began its count of all absentee ballots per a previously passed resolution. Polls were closed on voting equipment used to count absentee ballots. The Board reviewed this process and once complete, signed results tapes printed from the tabulation equipment.

### **Public Comments and Questions**

Public comments and questions were made by one member of the public.

### **General Discussion**

During general discussion, Mr. Bowens informed the Board of five absentee applications/ballots that were processed incorrectly during One-Stop voting.

Following review, and consistent with NCGS 163-89, Chairman Lehman made a motion to challenge the absentee application/ballots for the voters in question and to direct Mr. Bowens to send the statutorily required notification to each affected voter informing them of a challenge hearing set to occur on March 13, 2020. The motion was approved by all, 5-0.

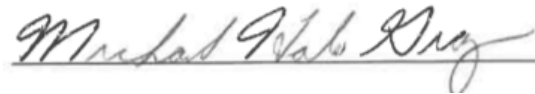
### **Recess**

The Board recessed at 4:10 p.m. and unanimously agreed to reconvene at 7:00 p.m. for the closing of the polls and Election Night Results.

Following the close of the polls, Board Members oversaw the receipt and upload of election results from the county's 57 precincts.

### **Adjournment**

The Board adjourned at approximately 11:45 p.m. on a motion made by Ms. Baxton. The motion was approved by all, 5-0.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Michael H. Gray", written over a horizontal line.

Michael H. Gray  
Secretary