



MEETING MINUTES

Board of Elections Meeting
Tuesday, May 17, 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, and Member David K. Boone

Board Staff Present: Elections Director Derek Bowens, Deputy Director Brenda Baker, Voter Services Manager Daniel Lassiter, Logistics and Systems Manager David Beuttel and Systems Specialist Julius Richards

County Staff Present: N/A

Guests in Attendance: See Attendance Sheet

Meeting Type: In-Person and Zoom

Meeting Opening

Chairwoman Baxton called the meeting to order at approximately 2:04 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, Mr. Lehman moved to approve the agenda as submitted by staff. The motion carried, 4-0. Mr. Irby was not present for this meeting.

Public Comment

No comments or questions were provided in the chat.

New Business

a. Review of Absentee-By-Mail 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, staff was authorized by the Board to upload election results into the tabulation software and publish to the State Board of Elections website.

b. Voter Challenge – Isaiah Sadrija Baily-Wilkerson

- Mr. Bowens requested that the Board enter a challenge to the absentee one-stop ballot application of Mr. Isaiah Sadrija Bailey-Wilkerson, who received the wrong ballot style from a
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precinct official when he presented to vote at a one-stop site. Following discussion, Mr. Lehman moved to enter the challenge as required by NCGS 163-89 and hear the challenge at the Board of Elections Canvass Meeting to be held on May 27, 2022, at 11:00 a.m. The motion passed unanimously, 4-0.

General Discussion

Mr. Bowens provided the Board with an update on Election Day operations and turnout.

Recess

The Board recessed at 3:18 p.m. and unanimously agreed to reconvene at 7:30 p.m. for the closing of the polls and Election Night Results.

Prior to the return of results, Mr. Bowens requested that the Board enter a challenge to the absentee one-stop ballot application of Mr. Donald Hamm, who received the wrong ballot style from a precinct official when he presented to vote at a one-stop site. Following discussion, Mr. Lehman moved to enter the challenge as required by NCGS 163-89 and hear the challenge at the Board of Elections canvass meeting to be held on May 27, 2022, at 11:00 a.m. The motion passed unanimously, 4-0.

Board Members oversaw the receipt and upload of election results from the 57 precincts that were open for the 2022 Statewide Primary and Election.

Adjournment

The Board adjourned at approximately 10:29 p.m. on a motion made by Mrs. Oxendine. The motion carried unanimously, 4-0.

s/Gregory D. Irby
Member