



MEETING MINUTES

Board of Elections Meeting
Tuesday, June 7, 2022
5:15 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, 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 5:15 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, 4-0. Mr. Irby was not present for the meeting.

Public Comment

One comment was provided in the chat function and addressed by Mr. Bowens.

New Business

a. Revise Board Meeting Calendar

- Mr. Bowens presented the Board with a request to accept a revised regular meeting calendar to account for the Town of Cary At-Large Runoff Election. The calendar also adjusts the times for all absentee-by-mail Board meetings from 5:15 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. to avoid additional noticing. Following review, Mr. Lehman moved to approve the revised regular Board meeting calendar. The motion carried unanimously, 4-0.

b. Schedule Date of Candidate Challenge Hearing – Maria Jocys

- Mr. Bowens presented the Board with a request to schedule a hearing date for the challenge filed by Sheriff Clarence Birkhead against certified Unaffiliated candidate Maria Jocys' right to be placed on the November 8, 2022, ballot as a candidate for Sheriff. The hearing must be conducted and adjudicated within 20 business days from the date the challenge was filed (By June 28th). Staff

recommends that this meeting occur during the week of June 20th in the Durham County Admin II Building, located at 201 E Main Street. Following discussion, Mr. Boone moved to schedule the challenge hearing for Thursday, June 23, 2022, at 5:00 P.M. The motion passed unanimously, 4-0.

General Discussion

Mr. Bowens provided an update on the 2022 Precinct Split (33 and 30-1), and Consolidation (48 and 39) Implementation. Following discussion, Mr. Lehman moved to delay the implementation until the 2023 Election year. The motion carried unanimously, 4-0. Mr. Bowens also provided the Board with updates on the 2022 General Election Early Voting Plan and a revised compensation plan for Board members and temporary employees, which are currently being created for their consideration.

Mr. Bowens presented the Board with a request to cancel the regularly scheduled Board meeting on June 9, 2022, at 5:15 P.M., due to the meeting today. Mr. Lehman moved to cancel the meeting on June 9, 2022. The motion carried unanimously, 4-0.

Adjournment

The Board adjourned at approximately 5:55 p.m. on a motion made by Mr. Lehman. The motion carried unanimously, 4-0.

s/Gregory D. Irby
Member