



FORSYTH COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

Video Conference Absentee Board Meeting Agenda

October 27, 2020– 5 p.m.

1. Meeting Called to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Moment of Silence
4. Public Comments

If you wish to speak, please click on this link <https://meet.google.com/dim-vuhq-bne> at 4:45 pm on the day of the meeting and inform the Board Clerk. You will be recognized to speak during the public comment period in the order you have joined the meeting. The Chairperson will also ask for any additional speakers before the meeting is called to order.

5. Approval of Meeting Minutes
6. Approval of Absentee Ballots
7. Pre-processing of Absentee Ballots
8. Other Business
9. Adjournment

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Meeting Minutes
October 27, 2020 – 5:00 p.m.

Meeting Called to Order

A meeting of the Forsyth County Board of Elections was called to order on October 27, 2020 at 5:03 p.m. Chairperson Campbell presiding.

Board Members in attendance: Chairperson Susan Campbell, Secretary Robert Durrah, Member Stuart Russell, Member John Loughridge, and Member Catherine Jourdan

Staff Members in attendance: Director Tim Tsujii, Deputy Director Michelle Bobadilla, Monica Gary, Kanitha Davis-Englebert, Danielle Malone, Shante' Blakes, Holly Mathis, Angela Jones, Adrienne Bohem, Carlton Morgan, Clint Mooney, Molly Southern, Carma Buchanan, Sherry Glen, and Adam Clark

Pledge of Allegiance

Chairperson Campbell led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Moment of Silence

Chairperson Campbell called for a moment of silence.

Public Comments

Chairperson Campbell called for public comments, providing two minutes for each speaker: No public comments.

Approval of Meeting Minutes

Chairperson Campbell moved to approve the October 20th and 22nd, 2020 meeting minutes; Seconded by Member Loughridge; **Motion carried unanimously.**

Approval of Absentee Ballots

Ms. Gary presented 4,293 civilian ballots, 24 military ballots and 51 overseas ballots equaling 4368 ballots that were preliminarily approved. She reported 84 disapproved ballots where 11 were sent cure certifications letters, 15 were re-issued and, 58 spoiled ballots. Ms. Gary reported that 10 cure certification letters were returned.

Pre-processing of Absentee Ballots:

Pre-processing of absentee ballots began at 5:25 p.m.

The Director asked the Board Members to sign the zero report for both high-speed scanners. All Board Members signed the report.

Director Tsujii presented the Board a list of precinct observers for the dates of October 28th to the 31st and the replacement name of an At-Large Republican observer. Member Jourdan moved to approve the list; seconded by Secretary Durrah. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Director Tsujii presented the Board with returned absentee ballots for their consideration. The Director explained that after performing the voter registration list maintenance report, the staff was able to identify a voter who registered to vote in Rockingham County, although he had already voted by absentee by-mail in Forsyth County. Member Loughridge moved to challenge the voter's absentee by-mail ballot; Secretary Durrah amended the motion to add that the ballot be challenged and cancelled at Canvass; seconded by Member Russell. **Motion carried unanimously.**

The second absentee ballot presented to the Board was initially approved, but a second ballot had already been re-issued. Member Loughridge moved to challenge and cancel the ballot at Canvass; seconded by Secretary Durrah. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Voters that had their ballots challenged by the Board will be properly notified and have the opportunity to join the meeting online at Canvass.

Ms. Gary asked the Board to review three retrieved ballots. One returned absentee ballot envelope was missing the voter's signature and two returned absentee ballot envelopes did not contain a ballot.

Ms. Gary reported the revised absentee by-mail numbers: 4,289 civilian ballots, 24 military ballots, 51 overseas ballots, equaling 4,364 ballots. There were 88 disapproved ballots and 46 duplicates. Ten cure certification letters were returned. Secretary Durrah moved to accept the final numbers; seconded by Member Russell. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Secretary Durrah left the meeting at 9:29 p.m. and returned at 10:07 p.m.

Other Business

Member Russell moved to cancel the next day's special meeting; Member Jourdan seconded. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Adjournment

Secretary Durrah moved to adjourn the Board meeting; Seconded by Member Russell; **Motion carried unanimously.**

Meeting adjourned at 11:02 p.m.

Approved:

s/ Susan Campbell

Chair

s/ Robert Durrah

Secretary

s/ Stuart Russell

Member

s/ John Loughridge

Member

s/Catherine Jourdan

Member