

BOARD OF ELECTIONS

Ken Raymond
Chairman

Stuart Russell
Secretary

Fleming El-Amin
Member



FORSYTH COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS BOARD MEETING MINUTES – April 29, 2014

Meeting Called to Order

An Absentee meeting of the Forsyth County Board of Elections was called to order in the second floor meeting room on April 29, 2014. The meeting convened at 5:02 PM, Chairman Ken Raymond presiding.

Board Members in attendance: Chairman Ken Raymond, Secretary Stuart Russell, Member Fleming El-Amin

Staff Members in attendance: Interim Director Lamar Joyner, Josh Chunn, Jacob Wright, Other County Staff - Lonnie Albright

Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman Raymond led the pledge of allegiance.

Moment of Silence

Chairman Raymond led a moment of silence.

Approval of Minutes

Chairman Raymond requested that the Board members review the minutes of the April 22, 2014 meeting. Secretary Russell moved and Member El-Amin seconded a motion that the minutes be amended before approval at the next meeting. **Motion carried unanimously.**

WSFCS Administration (Security/Safety concerns)

Attorneys Dionne Jenkins and Sam Mills of Winston-Salem/Forsyth County Schools discussed concerns that their board raised about voting in schools. Currently on election day, voters vote in 36 public schools, in which 22 are elementary. They want to be proactive about their security and safety concerns by suggesting alterations to the current system. Mr. Joyner recommended that Elections Board members schedule site visits at the schools where there are proposed location or major changes.

Approval of Absentee Ballots Returned

Mr. Chunn recommended 142 absentee ballots for approval and ten absentee ballots for disapproval because of missing information. The voters of the disapproved absentee ballots had been mailed a second ballot and letter of explanation. Member El-Amin moved and Secretary Russell seconded a motion to accept the staff recommendation of 142 absentee ballots for approval and ten absentee ballots for disapproval. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Testing of Voting Machines

Mr. Joyner stated that voting machine testing for the Primary Election has been completed and presented documents that identified all machines and serial numbers for each. Carlton Morgan, IT Technician, conducted and supervised the testing with assistance from temporary staff.

Other Business

Attorney Albright replied yes to Chairman Raymond's question, has the letter to Ms. Lori Shore-Smith been sent.

The Board discussed the voter challenge for the absentee ballot of Mr. Everette Harris. He is a Forsyth County voter and voted absentee by mail for the 2014 Primary but passed away before Primary Election day.

Adjournment

Member El-Amin moved and Secretary Russell seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting. **Motion carried unanimously** and the meeting was adjourned at 5:50 PM.

Approved:

Ken Raymond, Chair

Date

Stuart Russell, Secretary

Date

Fleming El-Amin, Member

Date

Attachments of File: Voting Machine testing documents