



FORSYTH COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

Board Meeting Agenda February 27, 2024– 5:00 p.m.

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Meeting Minutes

February 27, 2024 – 5:00 p.m.

Meeting Called to Order

A meeting of the Forsyth County Board of Elections was called to order in the 2nd Floor Board Room on Tuesday, February 27, 2024, at **5:00** p.m., Vice Chair Catherine Jourdan presiding.

Board Members in attendance: Vice Chair Catherine Jourdan, Secretary Chad Doomy, Member Alfred Harvey, Member Adam Draper

Staff Members in attendance: Director Tim Tsujii, Deputy Director Michelle Bobadilla, Tricia Starkey, Louise Lash, Assistant County Attorney Erica Glass (by phone 5:04 p.m. – 5:14 p.m.), Kay Moore, Adam Clark, Jay Lerman, Conner May Kelly, Molly Chunn

Pledge of Allegiance

Vice Chair Catherine Jourdan led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Moment of Silence

Vice Chair Catherine Jourdan led a moment of silence.

Public Comments

None

Approval of Meeting Minutes

Member Draper moved to approve the meeting minutes for the February 20, 2024 meeting; Member Harvey seconded. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Absentee Voter Challenge

Director Tsujii presented to the Board a possible voter challenge. A voter went to an early voting site and completed the same day registration process and then cast a ballot. Once the voter registration information was transmitted it was found that the voter was on probation for a felony conviction and not eligible to vote. Per Numbered Memo's 2023-05 and 2022-05 the Board must enter into a challenge. The voter will be notified of the challenge and the voter may appear in person at the Canvass meeting on Friday, March 15, 2024. Per the request of Secretary Doomy General Statue 163-55 (a)(2) was reviewed. Vice Chair Jourdan asked for a motion to move to hold a challenge to the early voting ballot for Brandon Fitzgerald Brooks to be held at Canvass on Friday, March 15th. Secretary Doomy moved to challenge the early voting ballot for the said voter at Canvass; Member Draper seconded. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Approval of Absentee Ballots

Deputy Director Michelle Bobadilla presented to the Board a total of 423 absentee ballots. 384 absentee ballots are for approval comprising of 379 civilian ballots, 3 military ballots, and 2 overseas ballots. 39 ballots are for disapproval and are all civilian ballots.

Secretary Doomy moved to approve the 379 civilian ballots, the 3 military ballots, 2 overseas ballots, and 39 disapproved ballots; Member Harvey seconded. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Zero Reports Signed for the DS850 high-speed scanner.

Board members signed absentee voter reports for the approved and disapproved ballots.

Due to no business scheduled for Thursday, February 29, 2024 Vice Chair Jourdan called for a motion not to hold that meeting. Secretary Doomy moved not to hold the meeting for Thursday, February 29, 2024; Member Harvey seconded. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Appointment of Precinct Officials for the 2024 Primary Election

Director Tim Tsujii asked that the Board table this agenda items until Monday, March 4, 2024. Secretary Doomy moved to table this agenda item until next Monday; Member Draper seconded. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Approval of FY25 Budget Recommendation

Director Tsujii provided a detailed overview of the FY 2025 budget to be recommended to the Board of County Commissioners providing insight on office administration and operations funding for the November 5, 2024 General Election. It was noted that a capital expenditure of \$129,600 would be needed for updating 40 printers and 20 laptops with software. Both the Board of Elections and Board of County Commissioners have been aware of this since 2022 and funds have been put aside for this expenditure. In addition, Director Tsujii shared with the Board that N.C. has the most stringent voting systems requirements in the country, which requires both state and federal certifications.

Vice Chair Jourdan called for a motion to approve the FY 2025 budget recommendation as presented. Secretary Doomy moved to approve; Member Harvey seconded. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Other Businesses

Member Draper departed meeting at 7:55 p.m.

Closed Session (if necessary)

Adjournment

Secretary Doomy moved to adjourn; Member Harvey seconded. **Motion carried unanimously.** Meeting adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

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Approved:

s:/Robert Durrah, Jr.

Chairperson

s:/Catherine Jourdan

Vice Chair

s:/Alfred Harvey

Member

s:/Adam Draper

Member