

Duplin County Board of Elections

Absentee Board Meeting

Date: May 7, 2024

Time: 5:00 PM

The Duplin County Board of Election Absentee Board Meeting Tuesday, May 7, 2024 at 5:00 PM at the Duplin County Board of Elections office. Members in attendance were:

Angela B. Mainor, **Board Chair**

Ann Henderson, **Secretary**

Larry Cooper, **Board Member**

Vickie Ezzell, **Board Member**

Michael Lynch, **Board Member (via phone)**

Also Present: Carrie Sullivan, **Interim Director**

Evelyn Tuten, **Election Specialist**

Tora Jones, **Interim Deputy Director**

**Call to Order:** Board Chair Angela B. Mainor at 5:06 PM

**Invocation:** Given by Board Secretary Ann Henderson

**Public Comments:** No public comments were given.

**Approval of Agenda/Previous Board Minutes:** Board Member Larry Cooper made the motion to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Board Member Michael Lynch.

Board Member Vickie Ezzell made a motion to approve the previous board minutes. The motion was seconded by Board Member Larry Cooper.

All Members present were in favor and the agenda and the previous board minutes were approved.

**Absentees:** Interim Director Carrie Sullivan informed the board that there were two absentee ballots to process. The two absentee ballots were reviewed and approved by the Board. The

total is now 3 on the DS200 for this election. Interim Director Carrie Sullivan informed the Board that a total of 24 Absentee Ballots had been mailed out this election.

**Early Voting Updates:** Interim Director Carrie Sullivan stated that 65 ballots had been cast during early voting as of 5:00 PM on May 7, 2024.

**Closed Session:** Board Member Larry Cooper made a motion to enter into a closed session for personnel matters. The motion was seconded by Board member Vickie Ezzell. The closed session began at 5:20 PM.

The closed session ended at 6:06 PM.

**Purchase of Laptops:** Interim Director Carrie Sullivan asked the Board to revisit the discussion of purchasing new laptops. Interim Director Carrie Sullivan stated the County IT Supervisor was concerned that the current laptops would begin to fail. Board Chair Angela B. Mainor stated that the Board had already voted to order new laptops in a previous meeting and asked Interim Director Carrie Sullivan to take the next steps to get them ordered in time for November's election.

**Upcoming Events:**

Next Board Meeting: In Person Absentee Meeting Monday, May 13, 2024 at 5:00 PM

**Adjourn:** Board Chair Angela B. Mainor made the motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Board Member Vickie Ezzell. The meeting was adjourned @6:28pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Angela B. Mainor, Board Chair

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Ann Henderson, Secretary

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Larry Cooper, Board Member

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Vickie Ezzell, Board Member

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Michael Lynch, Board Member

Prepared by Tora Jones, Interim Deputy Director

Reviewed by Carrie Sullivan, Interim Director

\*Minutes approved by Duplin County Board Members at the Board meeting on May 13, 2024

