

FORSYTH COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS Agenda October 29, 2019 5:00 p.m.

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

Persons who wish to speak concerning items on this agenda, or who wish to speak about a matter relating to Forsyth County elections should complete a speaker card and hand it to the Clerk before the meeting is called to order. The Chairperson has the discretion to limit the number of speakers and the time allotted for all speakers.

- 5. Approval of Absentee Ballots for November 5, 2019 General Election
- 6. Approval of Polling Place Changes Starting in 2020
- 7. Approval of Minutes
- 8. Other Business
- 9. Closed Session (if necessary)
- 10. Adjournment

FORSYTH COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS Meeting Minutes October 29, 2019 – 5 p.m.

Meeting Called to Order

A meeting of the Forsyth County Board of Elections was called to order in the third floor Professional Development Center on October 29, 2019 at 5 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, and Kimberly Stuck

Pledge of Allegiance

Chairperson Campbell led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Moment of Silence

Chairperson Campbell led a moment of silence.

Public Comment Session

Chairperson Campbell called for public comments; none provided.

Approval of Absentee Ballots for November 5, 2019 General Election

Ms. Gary recommended eight absentee ballots for approval; noting that 57 absentee ballots had been mailed; five had been emailed to Overseas and Military voters, and 127 ballots were cast in person during One-Stop Early Voting. Member Jourdan moved to approve the eight Absentee ballots recommended for approval; Member Russell seconded; **Motion carried unanimously**.

Approval of Polling Place Changes Starting in 2020

Deputy Director Bobadilla presented the Board with staff recommendations to replace multiple polling locations. Ms. Bobadilla recommended Heaven View Church as the replacement for Precinct 122 – Griffith Fire Station; Member Jourdan moved to approve staff's recommendation to use Heaven View Church for Precinct 122; Secretary Durrah seconded; **Motion carried unanimously**.

Secretary Durrah requested data and cost analysis for polling locations for future planning.

Deputy Director Bobadilla presented Christ Moravian Church as the replacement for Precinct 601 – Piedmont International University; Member Russell moved to approve staff's recommendation to use Christ Moravian Church for Precinct 601; Member Loughridge seconded; **Motion carried unanimously**.

Ms. Bobadilla recommended Clemmons First Baptist Church as the replacement for Precinct 051 – Clemmons Elementary School. Secretary Durrah moved to approve staff's recommendation to use Clemmons First Baptist Church for Precinct 051; Member Loughridge seconded; **Motion carried unanimously**.

Deputy Director Bobadilla stated that it is still in process of looking for alternate locations for Precinct 013 – Sedge Garden Elementary as well as Precinct 081 – Crestwood Baptist Church.

Director Tsujii stated that the Board of Elections can continue to use Precinct 013 – Sedge Garden Elementary in the interim of finding a new location.

Ms. Bobadilla thanked Ms. Gary for her assistance in going to multiple locations and providing insight to the processes. Chairperson Campbell thanked both Deputy Director Bobadilla and Ms. Gary for the efforts and the pictures of the different locations.

Chairperson Campbell noted that Precinct 081 – Crestwood Baptist Church would need to be approved again if the location were to be used. Director Tsujii affirmed.

Approval of Minutes

Member Russell moved to approve the October 8, 2019 minutes as submitted; Member Loughridge seconded motion; **Motion carried unanimously**.

Other Business

Director Tsujii presented the request for Brian Miller to be an At-Large Observer on Election Day; Member Russell moved to approve the request; Member Jourdan seconded; **Motion carried unanimously**.

Mr. Tsujii presented the Board with an overview of the two cases before the court regarding redistricting of Congressional districts and State House and Senate districts noting the three Judge panel can move the March Primary. Director Tsujii stated Early Voting and Candidate Filing would be affected by the decision; noting that the panel gave a deadline of December 15, 2019 for maps to be redrawn.

Chairperson Campbell inquired about SB 683; Director Tsujii stated that it will change early voting hours and date to begin on the third Thursday before election day and would end on the last Saturday before election day with hours for early voting to be 8 a.m. to 7:30 p.m during the weekdays.

Closed Session (if necessary)

None necessary

Adjournment

Secretary Durrah moved to adjourn the Board meeting; Member Russell seconded; **Motion carried unanimously**. Meeting adjourned at 5:56 p.m.

Approved:

- s/ Susan Campbell Chair
- s/ Robert Durrah Secretary
- s/ Stuart Russell Member
- s/ John Loughridge Member
- s/ Catherine Jourdan Member