# **BOARD OF ELECTIONS**

Linda J. Sutton Chair

Michael Flatow Secretary

Jonathan S. Dills Member



Robert H. Coffman Director of Elections

> Lamar Joyner Deputy Director

## FORSYTH COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS BOARD MEETING MINUTES – MARCH 27, 2012

## Call to Order

A regular meeting of the Forsyth County Board of Elections was held in the Cooper Cardwell Elections Room on March 27, 2012. The meeting convened at 5:30 PM, Chairman Linda Sutton presiding.

Board Members in attendance: Chairman Linda Sutton, Secretary Michael Flatow, Member Jonathan Dills

Board Members not in attendance: none

Staff Members in attendance: Director Robert Coffman, Deputy Director Lamar Joyner, Judy Speas

Others in attendance: Assistant County Attorney Kevin McGuckin, Attorney David Hall

## Approval of Minutes

Chairman Sutton greeted the attendees and requested that the Board review the minutes of March 13, 2012. Chairman Sutton moved and Secretary Flatow seconded the motion to approve the minutes of March 13, 2012. Motion carried. Chairman Sutton requested that the Board review the minutes of March 15, 2012. A complete transcript from the CaseWorks, Inc. court reporter would be available as well. Secretary Flatow moved and Member Dills seconded the motion to approve the minutes of March 15, 2012. Motion carried.

## Hanes/Patterson Orders

Chairman Sutton requested that the Board review the Order for the Residency Challenge to the Candidacy of Ed Hanes, Jr. Member Dills stated that he preferred to add to his Dissenting Opinion from the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law for the Order of Ed Hanes, Jr. Member Dills moved that the Board approve the Order of Ed Hanes, Jr., knowing that he would include an additional statement to his Dissenting Opinion within a few days. Secretary Flatow seconded the motion. Motion carried. Member Dills agreed to email the inclusion to the Board members. Chairman Sutton requested that the Board review the Order for the Residency Challenge to the Candidacy of S. Wayne Patterson. Member Dills moved and Secretary Flatow seconded that the Board approve the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law for the Order of S. Wayne Patterson. Motion carried.

## Parrish Consent Order

Mr. Coffman explained the procedure for the Order of the Residency Challenge to the Candidacy of Carl F. Parrish for the Office of Superior Court Judge, District 21B - Recitals and Stipulation. Board members were instructed to sign the original and two duplicate copies of the Order. The documents would be given to Mr. Parrish, Mr. Hall and retained at the Board of Elections' office.

Member Dills moved, by stating that the Board maintain original jurisdiction of these matters, not necessarily this proceeding but all others that come before us, pursuant to North Carolina General Statutes. Secretary Flatow seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Member Dills moved and Secretary Flatow seconded the motion to approve and execute the Order

#### **Director Evaluation Documents**

of Carl F. Parrish. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Coffman explained the scoring method of the annual evaluation, which is part of the Forsyth County personnel process. The Board reviewed the blank forms and a prior year evaluation. Chairman Sutton recommended a motion for closed session by stating: I move that the Board go into closed session to consider the qualifications, competence, performance, character, fitness, conditions of appointment, or conditions of initial employment of an individual public officer or employee or prospective public officer or employee; or to hear or investigate a complaint, charge, or grievance by or against an individual public officer or employee pursuant to the provisions of G.S. 143-318.11(a)(6). Secretary Flatow seconded the motion. The motion carried and the Board went into closed session at 5:59 PM.

Chairman Sutton moved to reconvene the meeting at 6:45 PM. Secretary Flatow seconded the motion. Motion carried.

#### Other Business

Board members had no discussion.

#### <u>Adjournment</u>

Chairman Sutton moved and Secretary Flatow seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 6:50 PM. The next meeting of the Forsyth County Board of Elections will be held in the Board of Elections Conference Room on April 13, 2012 at 10:00 AM.

Approved:

Linda J. Sutton, Chair

Michael Flatow, Secretary

Jonathan S. Dills, Member

**Attachments on File:** Order of the Residency Challenge to the Candidacy of Ed Hanes, Jr. and S. Wayne Patterson for the Office of Representative of District 72 in the House of Representatives of the North Carolina General Assembly – Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law; Order of the Residency Challenge to the Candidacy of Carl F. Parrish for the Office of Superior Court Judge, District 21B – Recitals and Stipulation

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