# **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 – May 8, 2012 PRIMARY ELECTION DAY

# Call to Order

An Absentee Meeting of the Forsyth County Board of Elections was held in the Elections Storage Room on May 8, 2012. The meeting convened at 1:18 PM, Chairman Linda Sutton presiding.

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

Staff Members in attendance: Director Robert Coffman, Judy Speas, Joshua Chunn

### Approval of Minutes

Chairman Sutton requested that the Board review the minutes of May 1, 2012. Secretary Flatow moved and Member Dills seconded the motion to approve the minutes of May 1, 2012. Motion carried unanimously.

#### Absentee Ballot Report

Mr. Chunn recommended 425 absentee ballots for approval, six for disapproval and one pending in the Primary Election weekly report. Secretary Flatow moved and Member Dills seconded the motion to approve the recommendation of absentee ballots. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **Other Business**

Board members discussed a voter that arrived after the close of the Kernersville Early Voting location. Mr. Coffman explained that the ballot was electronically coded on the ivotronic elections equipment. It would be possible to exclude the ballot by manipulating it in the data. Board members agreed to be present when the ballot was excluded. This action would also be recorded in the Board minutes.

Board members checked for discrepancies on copies of the electronically transmitted absentee ballots. Absentee ballots were then processed into the M650 ballot tabulator in order to tally the results on Election night.

Chairman Sutton moved and Member Dills seconded to recess the meeting to reconvene later that night. The motion carried and the Board recessed at 2:50 PM.

#### **Closed Session**

The meeting reconvened at 7:55 PM, Chairman Linda Sutton presiding. 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). Member Dills seconded the motion. The motion carried and the Board went into closed session at 8:00 PM.

Chairman Sutton moved to leave closed session at 8:45 PM. Member Dills seconded the motion. Motion carried.

#### **Adjournment**

Chairman Sutton moved and Secretary Flatow seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 10:40 PM. The next meeting will be held in the Cooper Cardwell Elections Room on Primary Canvass Day, May 15, 2012, at 11:00 AM.

Approved:

Linda J. Sutton, Chair

Michael Flatow, Secretary

Jonathan S. Dills, Member

# Attachments on File: none

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