

**CHATHAM COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS  
REGULAR MEETING – VIRTUAL GoToMeeting  
Chatham County Agricultural Conference Center  
1192 US 64 Business, Pittsboro, NC 27312  
August 18, 2020–4:00 P.M.**

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The Chatham County Board of Elections met at the Chatham County Agricultural Conference Center, Pittsboro, NC 27312 on August 18, 2020, at 4:00 p.m. via GoToMeeting for the regular scheduled meeting. Citizens were given the opportunity to listen only. Prior to the meeting citizens were instructed to email the Director of Elections with comments or concerns to be addressed during the citizens input section on the agenda.

The following people were present: Chair Laura Heise, Secretary Charles Ramos, Member Amy Meek, Member Mark Barroso (remotely), Member Frank Dunphy II, Director Pandora Paschal, Deputy Director Steve Simos, and Elections Specialist Chance Mashburn. Clerk to the Board of Commissioners, Lindsay Ray was in attendance to assist with GoToMeeting to ensure it operated properly. Network Engineer Chris Johnson from the Chatham MIS Department was in attendance to give an update on the fax machine and the phone project planned for the Board of Elections office.

Secretary Charles Ramos led everyone in a moment of silence. Afterwards, he led everyone in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

Chair Laura Heise called the meeting to order by welcoming citizens via GoToMeeting. The emailed citizen's comments were addressed by the Director.

There were approximately 27 comments. Among some of the things citizens were advocating for, safety at the voting locations, voter eligibility, posting polling place change information, and increasing public knowledge. Approximately 21 citizens advocated for no Sunday voting.

The Board approved minutes from the July 21, 2020 meeting. Laura Heise made the motion to approve the minutes, and Amy Meek seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Frank Dunphy II suggested when minutes are edited it should be notated in the document.

The board approved the list of poll workers, which included Chief Judges, Judges, Assistants and Student Assistants to work Election Day, on November 3, 2020. Amy Meek made the motion, and Charles Ramos seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Election Specialist Chance Mashburn gave the board an update on the recruitment of "Democracy Hero's" (poll workers) for the upcoming election. We are receiving daily applicants, and volunteers signing up through the "Democracy Heroes' portal on the State Board of Elections website, through phone calls and emails in our office. There are some opting

out; however it appears we will have a sufficient number to work Early Voting and Election Day for this election.

Chris Johnson, Network Engineer for Chatham County MIS Department gave the board an update on the fax machine and the replacement of wiring and cables in the Board of Elections office. The fax machine has been repaired. Quotes and a cabling service request have been obtained to replace old wires and cabling in the elections office. Also inquiries have been made into obtaining faster internet speeds to aid in holding virtual and live streamed board meetings without interruptions.

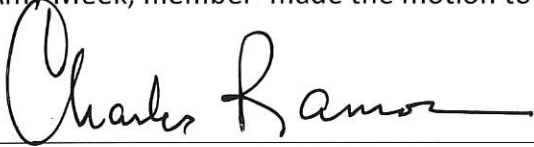
Deputy Director Steve Simos gave the board an update on how many absentee ballot request has been received in the office. There has been 6,325 requests received thus far. He gave them a document laying out procedures for counting absentee ballots to review and discuss at the meeting on September 1, 2020.

The board discussed the need for additional absentee meetings for the November 3, 2020 election. The office is receiving a large number of requests daily and there is no data available to judge how many ballots will come in on any given day so the board tabled the discussion.

The State Board will hold a meeting on August 31, 2020 to consider non-unanimous one stop plans. Chatham County will be heard at 9:00 am. Information for this meeting has been posted on the Chatham County Board of Elections website homepage. Once the state decides on the plan, the board will call a meeting to vote to have a unanimous early voting plan.

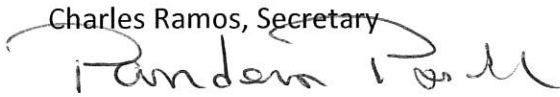
Frank Dunphy made the motion to meet on September 1, 2020 at 5:30 pm to adopt a unanimous one stop voting plan, to discuss the need for additional absentee meetings, and to discuss the procedures for transcribing military and overseas emailed ballots and for conducting the absentee meetings. All were in favor.

Amy Meek, member made the motion to adjourn the meeting. All were in favor.



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Charles Ramos, Secretary



Pandora Paschal, Attest