

CHATHAM COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS REGULAR MEETING

Chatham County Board of Elections Office

984 Thompson Street, Suite D

Pittsboro, NC 27312

GoToMeeting

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September 21, 2021 – 4:30 p.m.

The Chatham County Board of Elections met for their regular meeting at the Chatham County Board of Elections office at 984 Thompson Street Suite D, Pittsboro, NC 27312 on September 21, 2021, at 5:30 p.m. via GoToMeeting. Citizens were given the opportunity to submit comments or concerns relating to elections via email to the Director by 4:00 p.m. Monday September 20, 2021.

The following people were present: Chair Laura Heise, Secretary Charles Ramos, Member Amy Meek, Member Frank Dunphy II, Member Mark Barroso, Director Pandora Paschal, Deputy Director Steve Simos, and Election Specialist Chance Mashburn.

Secretary Charles Ramos led everyone in a moment of silence and the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Call to Order

Chair Laura Heise called the meeting to order by stating a quorum was present. She stated there was no public input received from citizens to the Director prior to the meeting.

Approval of Minutes

Member Frank Dunphy II made the motion to approve the minutes. Secretary Charles Ramos seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Adopt Resolutions for Polling Place Change

In a previous meeting the board decided to move the voting places for the Manns Chapel Precinct from the CCCC Health Science Building, 75 Ballentrae Ct, Pittsboro, NC 27312 to Perry Harrison Elementary School, 2655 Hamlets Chapel Rd., and the Albright Precinct from Silk Hope Fire Station, 8110 Silk Hope Gum Springs Rd, Siler City, NC 27344, to the Silk Hope Ruritan club, 4221 Silk Hope Rd, Siler City, NC 27344.

North Carolina law requires the Board of Elections to adopt resolutions when changing the voting place in a precinct. Chair Heise stated that the board will need to adopt these resolutions to make the moves official. She asked if there were questions. Member Mark Barroso asked if there would be a discussion by the board? Chair Heise stated they had been discussed at a previous meeting. Member Mark Barroso made the motion to discuss the resolutions. Member Frank Dunphy II seconded the motion. All were in favor. Member Mark Barroso was under the assumption that the polling place would not be moved until

the board split the Manns Chapel Precinct (See discussion at the 4-minute mark on the taped meeting on the website). Secretary Charles Ramos made the motion to adopt the resolution to move the voting place in the Manns Chapel Precinct to Perry Harrison Elementary School. Member Frank Dunphy II seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Member Mark Barroso made the motion to move the voting place in the Albright precinct to the Silk Hope Ruritan Club. Secretary Charles Ramos seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Republican Judge Appointment for East Williams Precinct

The Board of Elections staff submitted Denise Umberger’s name to the Board of Election as a recommendation to be appointed as the Republican Judge at the East Williams precinct to replace the original appointee, Judith McDaniel. Terry Schmidt Chairman for the Chatham County Republican Party sent a letter to the board indicating he must approve Denise Umberger. The appointment will not be made until approval is given by Terry Schmidt, or when another name is submitted to the staff by him.

Update On One-Stop Workers

There are no updates to report.

Director’s Report

Director Pandora Paschal gave the board an update on the permanent injunction that was made by the three Judge Superior Court panel striking down the North Carolina session law 20-144, which required voters to show photo ID. Voters will not be required to show photo ID in North Carolina to vote. This session law also enjoins the provision in G.S. 163-45(a) regarding the 100 at large political party observers. This means that each state party is no longer permitted by law to appoint the 100 at-large state observers.

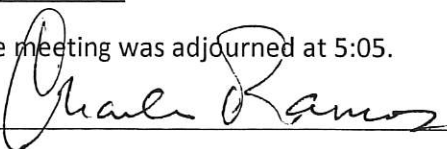
The NC Supreme Court in the Community Success Initiative v. Moore case ordered that felon who are serving community supervision who registered (or attempted to register) to vote between August 23, 2021 and September 3, 2021, are legally registered voters until further order of the court.

Logic & Accuracy Testing will be October 5, 2021, at 2:00 pm – at the Board of Elections office – live streamed for the public. (**Note:** After this meeting the time for Logic & Accuracy testing was changed to 4:00 p.m. due to scheduling conflicts with a scheduled absentee meeting, and election official training).

An update was given regarding Numbered Memo 2021-08 – DHHS Interim Guidance for Election Voting Locations and COVID FAQs.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 5:05.



Charles Ramos, Secretary



Pandora Paschal, Attest