

**CHATHAM COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS  
ABSENTEE /REGULAR MEETING**

Chatham County Board of Elections Office  
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May 16, 2022 – 5:00 p.m.

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**Attendees:**

Chair Laura Heise  
Secretary Charles Ramos  
Member Amy Meek  
Member Frank Dunphy II  
Member Mark Barroso  
Director Pandora Paschal  
Deputy Director Steve Simos  
Election Specialist Chance Mashburn

**Call to Order**

After a moment of silence and pledge of allegiance, Chair Heise opened the meeting by stating that this is the sixth absentee meeting to count and process returned absentee ballots and approve early voting applications. She stated there was a quorum to conduct the meeting. Chair Heise announced that Members Barroso and Dunphy would leave the meeting to attend the Chatham County Commissioners Budget Hearings. For this reason, Chair Heise moved item numbers 4 and 5 up on the agenda to the first and second order of business.

**Approve Replacement Judges**

Election Specialist Mashburn consulted with the Democratic Party Chair Liz Guinan, and Republican Party Chair Terry Schmidt about the replacements. Approval was given by both as follows:

- Democratic Judge appointed for the Bynum Precinct was Anita Badrock, and the replacement is Cindy Raxter.
- Democratic Judge appointed for the Manns Chapel Precinct was Stephanie Lily, and the replacement is Lisa Meachum-Read.

- The Republican Judge appointed for Bonlee Precinct was Charlotte Hill, and the replacement is Betty Jo Thomas.

Member Barroso made the motion to approve the replacement judges to serve for the May 17, 2022 Primary election. Secretary Ramos seconded the motion. All were in favor. The vote was 5-0.

### **Approve Minutes May 10, 2022**

Chair Heise asked if there were any corrections to the minutes for May 10, 2022. There were none. Member Dunphy II made the motion to approve the minutes. Member Meek seconded the motion. All were in favor. The vote was 5-0.

### **Approve Early Voting Applications**

The board reviewed the absentee applications from each early voting site from May 10, 2022 – May 14, 2022. Members Barroso and Dunphy left the meeting to attend the budget hearings. There was still a meeting quorum to review the applications. Member Meek made the motion to approve the applications. Secretary Ramos seconded the motion. All were in favor. The vote was 3-0.

### **Approve Civilian, Military & Overseas Ballots**

The board was presented with 291 civilian ballots, 1 military, and 5 overseas ballots to approve at this meeting. The board members verified the beginning count on the Verity Scanner. The total was 298. The board checked the ballot envelopes to ensure there were sufficient signatures before approving. Member Meek made the motion to approve batch 1. Secretary Ramos seconded the motion. All were in favor. The vote was 3-0. Member Amy Meek made the motion to approve batch 2. Secretary Charles Ramos seconded the motion. All were in favor. The staff open the envelopes to retrieve the approved ballots before the ballots were inserted in the machine. The board duplicated 3 civilian ballots that were cut during the opening of the ballots.

The board duplicated the 2 military ballots that were emailed. Secretary Ramos made the motion to approve the 2 ballots. Member Meek seconded the motion. All were in favor. The vote was 3-0.

The board duplicated 9 overseas ballots that were emailed. Secretary Ramos made the motion to approve the 9 ballots. Member Meek seconded the motion. All were in favor. The vote was 3-0.

The ballots were fed into the Verity Scan. The ending count on the machine was 595.

### **Signed Certificates of Oath**

Director Paschal printed the Executed List of Absentee Voters for the May 17, 2022 election for Civilians, Military, and Overseas. Chair Heise signed the Certificate of Executed Absentee Ballots for Military, Overseas, and Civilian voters. The list will be uploaded to the North Carolina Board of Elections by 10:00 am on May 17, 2022. The list for each precinct was delivered by the delivery trucks.

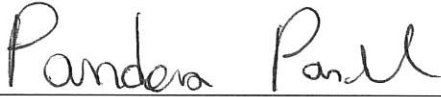
### **Adjourn meeting**

Chair Heise asked if there was any remaining business. As there was no further business, Member Meek made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Secretary Ramos seconded the motion. All were in favor. The vote was 3-0.



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Charles Ramos, Secretary



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Pandora Paschal, Attest