

**CHATHAM COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS
ELECTION DAY ABSENTEE MEETING**

Chatham County Board of Elections Office
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May 26, 2022 – 4:00 p.m.

Attendees:

Chair Laura Heise
Secretary Charles Ramos
Member Amy Meek
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 called the meeting to order. She stated that the purpose of this meeting was to count and process returned supplemental absentee ballots and to consider Provisional Ballots for approval. She stated there was a quorum present to conduct the meeting.

New Business

Director Paschal stated there were 43 Provisional Ballots cast in the May 17, 2022 Primary Election. After the elections staff researched the ballots 22 were recommended to the board for approval. The board reviewed the ballots that were recommended for disapproval to ensure there were no mistakes. Member Meek made the motion to approve the 22 Provisional Ballots recommended by the Board of Elections staff. Secretary Ramos seconded the motion. All were in favor. The voter was 3-0. The envelopes were opened, and the ballots were removed and fed into the tabulator. The board uploaded the totals into Verity Count to be added to the official election results.

Deputy Director Steve Simos presented 106 Civilian, 2 Overseas, and 1 military Supplemental Ballots for approval. The board reviewed the civilian envelopes to ensure they had the proper signatures. Secretary Ramos made the motion to approve the 106 civilian Supplemental Absentee Ballots. Member Meek seconded the motion. All were in favor. The vote was 3-0. The board duplicated the 2 overseas ballot and the 1 military ballot. Secretary Ramos made the

motion to approve 1 military supplemental ballot. Member Meek seconded the motion. All were in favor. The vote was 3-0. Member Meek made the motion to approve the 2 Overseas Supplemental Ballots. Secretary Ramos seconded the motion. All were in favor. The vote was 3-0.

The 109 Supplemental Absentee Ballots were uploaded to Verity Count in the presence of two bi-partisan board members. These totals were added to the official election results for the May 17, 2022 election.

The board observed staff make manual edits in East Siler City precinct, and in East Williams precinct. Two voters voted at the Siler City early voting site, and two voters voted at the New Hope early voting site that were eligible to vote in the municipal elections. They were given the incorrect ballot. The incorrect ballots were inserted into the tabulator. Their early voting absentee application was cancelled, and they were given the opportunity to cast provisional ballots which were approved and counted on the provisional machine. The votes for the candidates on the incorrect ballots were deducted manually. All witnesses to this process were required to sign an audit log, and the unofficial results report was printed before the edits and after the edits for comparison.

Chair Heise made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Secretary Ramos seconded the motion. All were in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m. The vote was 3-0.



Charles Ramos, Secretary



Pandora Paschal, Attest