CHATHAM COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS ABSENTEE MEETING #2

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October 11, 2022 – 5:00 p.m.

ATTENDEES:

Chair Laura Heise, Secretary Charles Ramos, Member Mark Barroso, Member Frank Dunphy, Director Pandora Paschal, Deputy Director Steve Simos, Election Specialist Chance Mashburn, and Election Assistant Donald Lyerly. [Absent: Member Amy Meek.]

Secretary Ramos led everyone in a moment of silence and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Call to Order

Chair Heise called the meeting to order and stated this was the second absentee meeting for the November 8, 2022 election. There was a quorum to conduct board business.

Approval of Agenda

Secretary Ramos made the motion to approve the agenda, and Member Barroso seconded the motion. All were in favor. Vote 4-0.

Approval of Minutes

Secretary Charles Ramos made the motion to approve the minutes from the September 20, 2022 regular meeting. The vote was 3-0. Member Barroso abstained due to his absence at that meeting.

Voting on the October 4, 2022 absentee meeting minutes was tabled until the October 18 meeting. As Members Barroso and Dunphy were absent on October 4, there was no October 11 quorum for a vote.

Approval of Absentee Ballots

Deputy Director/Absentee Coordinator Simos stated 2,936 cumulative ballots were mailed out. For this meeting, there were a total of 193 completed ballots for board approval: 168 civilian, 3 military, and 22 overseas.

Before approving the ballots, the board verified that the machine produced a tape that showed the ending count from the meeting on October 4, 2022 before any ballots were inserted. The count was 392.

The board looked at the envelopes of the returned ballots to ensure they had all required signatures and initialed them for confirmation. The board checked the CIV (civilian) numbers against the list of voters to

ensure none were missing. Following completion of these tasks, Member Barroso made the motion to approve 168 civilian ballots for counting. Member Dunphy seconded the motion. All were in favor. The vote was 4-0. The board directed the staff to open the ballots to insert into the tabulator.

In addition, 3 ballots were 'cure pending' due to missing voter signatures on the ballot containers. The voters were contacted and sent a cure letter due to the omission.

Member Dunphy made the motion to approve 3 military ballots. All were in favor. The vote was 4-0.

Member Ramos made the motion to approve 22 overseas ballots. All were in favor. The vote was 4-0.

The board duplicated the emailed ballots from military and overseas voters onto official ballots to be inserted into the Verity scanner.

The final vote count on the Absentee by Mail Verity Scan after all ballots were inserted was 585 for this meeting.

Adjourn Meeting

Member Barroso made the motion to adjourn the meeting. All were in favor. The vote was 4-0. The meeting was adjourned at 6:45 pm.

Charles Ramos, Secretary

Pandora Paschal, Attest