

CHATHAM COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS PROVISIONAL/SUPPLEMENTAL ABSENTEE MEETING

Chatham County Board of Elections Office
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November 17, 2022 – 4:00 p.m.

ATTENDEES:

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

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 a quorum was present to approve supplemental absentee ballots and provisional ballots. She explained that mail-in and civilian absentee ballots postmarked on or before Election Day were accepted by county boards of elections until 5 p.m. on November 14. See Numbered Memo 2022-09. Overseas and military absentee ballots are accepted through 5 p.m. on November 17 according to state law. Provisional ballots are cast when an individual's name does not appear on the poll book or other questions arise about that person's eligibility to vote.

Approval of Agenda

Chair Heise asked there were any changes to the agenda. Member Meek made the motion to approve the agenda as presented. Member Dunphy seconded the motion. All were in favor (vote 5-0).

Approve Supplemental Absentee Ballots

Deputy Director Steve Simos presented a total of 372 supplemental absentee ballots for approval by the board: 351 Civilian, 12 Overseas, and 9 Military.

There were 3,820 mailed, 2,919 returned, and 816 not returned. The return rate for this election for absentee ballots was 76.78%.

There were 15 ballots for non-approval: 5 were mailed to Chatham from Forsythe County, 9 were received after the deadline, and 1 had no witness signatures. The 5 Chatham County ballots that were mailed to Forsythe County were not accepted because the NC Election Law states the ballot must be received at the county board of elections office from which it was mailed by the deadline. Member

Meek made the motion not to approve 15 ballots. Secretary Ramos seconded the motion. All were in favor (vote 5-0).

Member Meek made the motion to approve 351 civilian supplemental ballots. Secretary Ramos seconded the motion. All were in favor (vote 5-0).

The board duplicated 9 emailed Military ballots and 12 Overseas ballots.

Member Meek made the motion to approve 9 military ballots. Member Dunphy seconded the motion. All were in favor (vote 5-0).

Member Meek made the motion to approve 12 Overseas ballots. Secretary Ramos seconded the motion. All were in favor (vote 5-0).

The board signed the zero tape on the Verity scanner before any ballots were fed into the tabulator. The ending count on the machine was 372.

The board completed the Supplemental Absentee Abstract for Civilian voters, and the Supplemental Certificate of Executed Absentee Ballots for Civilian, Military and Overseas voters.

Approve Provisional Ballots

Director Paschal presented the board with a total of 160 Provisional ballots. She recommended 43 Provisionals for approval, and 117 for non-approval.

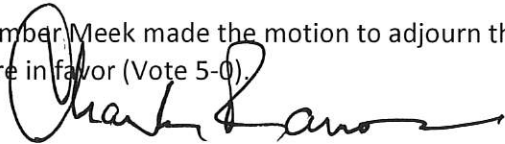
The board looked through the list of provisional voters and the disposition as to why or why not they would be counted. Member Meek made the motion to approve 43 Provisional ballots. Secretary Ramos seconded the motion. All were in favor (vote 5-0).

The board signed the zero tape from the Verity scanner for the Provisional ballots. The ending count on the machine was 43 after all ballots were fed into the tabulator.

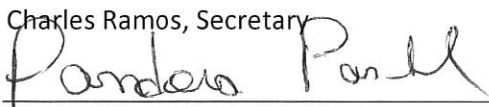
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Adjourn

Member Meek made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Secretary Ramos seconded the motion. All were in favor (Vote 5-0).



Charles Ramos, Secretary



Pandora Paschal, Attest