

CHATHAM COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

ABSENTEE MEETING ELECTION DAY

Chatham County Board of Elections Office
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November 8, 2022 – 2:00 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. A quorum was present to conduct board business.

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 the board would be closing the polls on each voting machine for each early voting site, and absentee mail in ballots for the November 8, 2022 election.

Approval of Agenda

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

Absentee Ballot Challenge

Deputy Director Steve Simos received the deceased voter list from the Register of Deeds that contained a voter's name who had cast an absentee by mail ballot that had been approved and put in the tabulator for counting. North Carolina law requires that this ballot be challenged, and the ballot pulled and deducted from the results. This will be done on the day of Canvass before the election is certified. The challenge form shall be signed by the Chair of the Board of Elections, and a letter is mailed to the deceased voter. If there is no response, the challenge will be heard on the day of Canvass. Member Meek made the motion to move forward with the challenge. Member Dunphy seconded the motion. All were in favor (vote5-0).

Close Polls on Verity Scanners

The polls were closed on all scanners for each early voting site and the absentee by mail scanner. The board recorded the votes on a tally sheet in bipartisan teams. The totals were added together and entered on the absentee abstracts. The results were not released until 7:30 pm.

Meeting Recessed

Member Meek made the motion to recess the meeting until precinct returns start to come in. Secretary Ramos seconded the motion. All were in favor (5-0). The meeting was recessed at 5:30 pm.

Reconvene Meeting

The meeting reconvened at 7:00 pm to upload results to be released to the public at 7:30 pm. The board assisted staff with precinct returns. They worked in bipartisan teams.

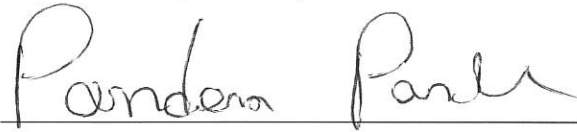
The board voted to delegate staff to oversee write-in votes. Member Barroso made the motion. Member Dunphy seconded the motion. All were in favor (vote5-0).

Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 10:38 pm. Member Barroso made the motion to adjourn. Member Meek seconded the motion. All were in favor (vote 5-0).



Charles Ramos, Secretary



Pandora Paschal, Attest