

BOARD OF ELECTIONS

Stuart Russell
Chair

Susan Campbell
Vice-Chairperson

Robert Durrah, Jr.
Secretary

John Loughridge, Jr.
Member



Tim Tsujii
Director

AGENDA **November 05, 2018**

1. Meeting Called to Order
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3. Moment of Silence
4. Public Comments
5. Approval of Election Day Observers and Runners
6. Approval of Absentee Ballots
7. Review of Re-Marked Ballots
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11. Adjournment

FORSYTH COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS
Meeting Minutes
November 05, 2018

Meeting Called to Order

An absentee ballot meeting of the Forsyth County Board of Elections was called to order in the third floor Professional Development Room on November 05, 2018 at 5:00 p.m., Chairman Russell presiding.

Board Members in attendance: Chairman Russell, Vice-Chairperson Campbell, Secretary Durrah, and Member Loughridge

Staff Members in attendance: Director Tim Tsujii, Monica Gary, Albert Armstrong and Kimberly Stuck

Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman Russell led the pledge of allegiance.

Moment of Silence

Chairman Russell led a moment of silence.

Public Comment Session

Chairman Russell opened public comments:

Kris McCann – 205 Cool Springs Rd. Winston Salem, NC 27107

Vice-Chairperson Campbell moved to close public comments, Secretary Durrah seconded. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Other Business

Chairman Russell inquired of other business; none provided.

Chairman Russell asked Director Tsujii to elaborate on the need for closed session on October 30, 2018's meeting. Mr. Tsujii provided the overview requested. Mr. McCann stated that the North Carolina State Board of Elections and Ethics advised going to closed session and gave an overview of conversation with Assistant County Attorney Albright. Mr. Albright requested to correct Mr. McCann's statement noting that temporary employees are paid by the county; though the temporary agency pays the temporary workers, Forsyth County pays the temporary agency cost and fees. Mr. McCann stated that he had contacted many sources for reference including Forsyth Counties Human Resource Department.

Approval of Election Day Observers and Runners

Director Tsujii presented 52 Election Day Observers for review and approval and an additional four that were not timely for review. Mr. Tsujii presented the Board with 18 runners from the Republican party for review and approval. Vice-Chairman Campbell moved to approve both the Election Day Observers and the 18 Election Day Runners that were timely; Member Loughridge seconded; **Motion carried unanimously.**

Approval of Absentee Ballots

Ms. Gary recommended 1396 absentee ballots for approval; 1329 Civilian, 7 Military, and 60 Overseas ballots. Ms. Gary recommended 76 for disapproval. Chairman Russell moved to approve 1396

absentee ballots and disapprove 76 absentee ballots, Secretary Durrah seconded; **Motion carried unanimously.**

Other Business

Secretary Durrah asked if there would be further business with Mr. McCann; Assistant County Attorney Albright stated that he was confident advising workers were to be handled as current employees. Chairman Russell stated that closed session was to address employment issues as well as obtain legal advice. Mr. Albright noted that public comment period was to provide the public an opportunity to give comment and not a discussion period. Chairman Russell noted that public comments should be allowed so that each person could address the issues with a need for discretion in how the public comments are addressed.

Adjournment

Secretary Durrah moved to adjourn the meeting; Member Loughridge seconded; **Motion carried unanimously.** Meeting adjourned at 6:22 p.m.

Approved:

Stuart Russell, Chair

Date

Susan Campbell Vice-Chair

Date

Robert Durrah, Secretary

Date

John Loughridge, Member

Date