

**Orange County Board of Elections  
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**Minutes  
February 3, 2015 – 3:30 p.m.**

Present: Kathy Knight, Chair  
Jamie Cox, Secretary  
Ana Kuhn, Member  
Tracy Reams, Director

Vicki Boyer was also present.

**Call to order:** Kathy Knight, Chair called the meeting to order. There was no one present who wished to address the Board.

**Approval of Board Minutes:** Ms. Kuhn moved and Mr. Cox seconded the motion to approve the January 6, 2015 minutes as submitted. The motion passed unanimously.

**Director's Report:** Director Reams provided:

- Voter Registration Statistical Report
- Year-to-Date Budget Report – 2015-16 FY Budget Draft
- Campaign Finance Compliance Report
- Director's Annual WPPR Work Plan

**Voter Registration Statistical Report:**

The director presented the voter registration statistical report showing a total of 104,572 registered voters.

**Year-to-Date Budget Report – 2015-16 FY Budget Draft:**

The director provided the monthly budget report and reported sufficient funds to carry out the work of the Board. A draft of the 2015-16 FY Budget was provided for review that included a request to fund 7 early voting sites for the Presidential Preference Primary and 7 early voting sites for the May Primary as requested by the Board.

**Campaign Finance Compliance Report:**

The director provided a list of candidate campaign reports received to date. There are 2 delinquent committees for which a notice has been sent. Campaign reports received and/or postmarked by 01/30/15 are considered timely.

**Director's Annual WPPR Work Plan:**

The director emailed her annual WPPR work plan on January 15 for Board review. The Board will review the WPPR and send comments to Secretary Jamie Cox.

**Board Actions:**

There were no business items to act on.

**Board Discussion:**

The director informed the Board that contact had been made and approval was granted to use the New Hope Community Center in Patterson Precinct as an early voting site for the 2016 Elections if elected to do so by the Board. No action was taken.

Kathy Knight reported that contact had been made and approval was granted to use the Elfand Ruritan Building as an early voting site for the 2016 Elections if elected to do so by the Board. No action was taken.

The Board agreed to revisit Morehead Planetarium to find out if space is available to setup an early voting site for the 2016 Elections.

The Board and director discussed the costs associated with modeming in the election night results. Costs are approximately \$12,000 annually to maintain the phones lines to modem in the results. The director discussed this cost with the County Manager and Chair of the BOCC. The Board will concede and support the BOCC if they elect not to provide the funds to modem in the results. If we do not use modems, results will be uploaded and released as the results are brought in by the chief judge of each precinct.

The Board discussed the early voting hours requested by the Town of Carrboro for the 2015 Municipal Election. No action was taken.

The director reported that 1 staff member requested and approval was granted for a voluntary furlough working 8 hours a day, Monday thru Thursday. The director also reported that another staff member will be out for approximately a month due to medical reasons.

**Adjournment:** Mr. Cox moved and Ms. Kuhn seconded the motion that the Board adjourn. The motion passed and the Board adjourned at 4:10 p.m.

**Next Scheduled Board Meeting: March 3 – 3:30 p.m.**