

Orange County Board of Elections
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Minutes
January 5, 2016 – 3:30 p.m.

Present: Kathy Knight, Chair
Bob Randall, Secretary
Jamie Cox, Member
Tracy Reams, Director

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

Approval of Board Minutes: Mr. Cox moved and Mr. Randall seconded the motion to approve the December 1, 2015 minutes as submitted. The motion passed unanimously.

Director's Report: Director Reams provided:

- Voter Registration Statistical Report
- Year-to-Date Budget Report
- 2016 Primary Election Candidate Report
- Director's Annual WPPR Work Plan

Voter Registration Statistical Report:

The director presented the voter registration statistical report showing a total of 106,263 registered voters. Registered voters decreased 0.08% since last report.

Year-to-Date Budget Report:

The director provided the monthly budget report and reported sufficient funds to carry out the work of the Board.

2016 Primary Election Candidate Report:

The director provided a list of the 2016 Primary Election candidates.

Director's Annual WPPR Work Plan:

The director submitted her annual WPPR work plan for Board review. The Board will review and send comments to Secretary Bob Randall.

Board Actions:

The director reported that the American Legion Post 6 building is available to be used as an Election Day voting site for Eastside Precinct. Due to no lighting in the atrium and minimal parking, the director recommends a move from Ephesus Road School to the American Legion Post 6 to better accommodate the voters. The Board discussed the necessity to notify voters, provide adequate signage at both sites and the desire to improve the voter's voting experience. The Board asked the director to ensure sufficient notice and signage to avoid voter confusion. Mr. Randall made a motion to pass a resolution to move from Ephesus Road School to the American Legion Post 6 and Mr. Cox seconded the motion. The motion was unanimous. Voter cards will be sent to all

voters in addition to notice in the newspaper. Signage will also be placed at Ephesus Road School on Election Day to notify voters of a new polling place location in addition to “Vote Here” signs at the American Legion Post 6.

Board Discussions:

Due to the SBOE conference to be held in Durham County on February 1 and 2, the Board will not hold their regularly scheduled meeting on February 2, 2016.

The Board discussed the required absentee meetings. The Board may elect to postpone the February 23 absentee meeting if there are not sufficient absentees to act on.

Mr. Randall asked if the Chapel of the Cross was going to allow access to the front room for early voting. Mr. Cox and Ms. Knight agreed it was their take away from the meeting the Board had with Ms. Made after the 2015 Municipal Election that accommodations would be made to move the large table out of the room. As requested by the Board, the director shall contact Ms. Made and offer to pay any costs incurred to dismantle, move and reassemble the table in the front room to better facilitate the voters.

Adjournment: Mr. Randall moved and Mr. Cox seconded the motion that the Board adjourn. The motion passed and the Board adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

Next Scheduled Board Meetings: Absentee – February 23 – 3:30 pm (tentive)

Absentee - March 1 – 3:30 pm

Absentee – March 8 – 3:30 pm

Election Day – March 15 – 2:00 pm

Canvass – March 22 – 11:00 am