

Orange County Board of Elections
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Minutes
May 8, 2012 – 2:00 p.m.

Present: Jim White, Chair
Kathy Knight, Secretary
Jamie Cox, Member
Tracy Reams, Director

Call to order: Chairman White called the Board meeting to order. There were no members of the public present to address the Board.

Director's Report: Director Reams provided:

- Report of One-Stop Ballots Cast to Date
- Report of Absentee By-Mail Ballots Received to Date
- Report on SOSA Ballot Style Error

Report of One-Stop Ballots Cast to Date:

The director submitted a complete list of 16,577 names that have cast a one-stop ballot.

Report of Absentee By-Mail Ballots Cast to Date:

The director submitted the list of 263 civilian ballots cast recommending approval and 1 civilian ballot recommending the Board reject due to no witness signature. 2 military and 10 overseas are submitted recommending approval.

Board Actions:

The Board reviewed the one-stop absentee list of 16,577 ballots cast to date. Mr. Cox made a motion and Ms. Knight seconded the motion to approve all 16,577 one-stop ballots cast to date. The motion passed unanimously. The Board tabulated and signed the results tapes for the one-stop voting sites that shall be certified at Canvass on May 15, 2012. The ending count on the tabulator was 3,539 for Hillsborough BOE, 4,759 for Carrboro Town Hall, 294 for Mt. Zion Church, 3,998 for Rams Head and 3,989 for Seymour Senior Center. The Board and director noted the difference (+2) of 16,579 ballots cast at the one-stop sites and 16,577 names with one-stop voting history.

The Board reviewed a total of 264 civilian, 2 military and 10 overseas absentee applications. Ms. Knight made a motion to reject one due to no witness signature as required and Mr. Cox seconded the motion. Mr. Cox made a motion to approve 263 civilian, 2 military and 10 overseas and Ms. Knight seconded the motion. The motions passed unanimously. The Board initialed the applications and opened the envelopes. The director inserted the ballots into the voting tabulator. The ending count on the tabulator was 549. The Board tabulated and signed the results tape that shall be certified at Canvass on May14, 2012.

The Board recorded the write-in votes cast at the one-stop voting sites and the absentee by-mail write-in votes.

The Board certified and signed the absentee abstracts that shall be submitted to the State Board as required. Absentee results shall be held and released at 7:30 p.m.

Board Discussion:

The Board discussed and reported on their Election Day activities.

The director reported a ballot style SOSA error incident concerning a voter getting an incorrect ballot style. The director presented the Board with the voter one-stop application that shows SOSA assigning an incorrect ballot style. The director has called and left 3 voice mails with the voter to alert him of this error and to allow him the opportunity to vote the correct ballot style. The director noted that the contests voted on the incorrect ballot are included on the correct ballot so if he does not return to vote his assigned ballot there will be no change in the contest totals. The Board instructed the director to hold the ballot and allow voter the opportunity to vote the correct ballot up until Canvass.

The Board discussed the provisional and supplemental absentee meeting and unanimously agreed to meet earlier than previously scheduled. The Board will meet at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, May 15 prior to canvass.

Adjournment: Mr. Cox moved and Ms. Knight seconded the motion that the Board adjourn. The motion passed and the Board adjourned at 5:40 p.m.

Next Scheduled Board Meeting: May 15th, 2012 – 9:00 a.m.

Provisional and Sample Audit Count – 9:00 a.m.
Canvass - 11:00 a.m.