



ORANGE COUNTY
NORTH CAROLINA
BOARD OF ELECTIONS

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Absentee Meeting
Orange County Board of Elections
Tuesday, April 12, 2022 – 5 PM

Present: Jamie Cox, Chair; Kathy Brodie, Member; Elvira Mebane, Member; Jason Roberts, Member;
Rachel Raper, Director; and Terri Young, Deputy Director

Call to Order:

Jamie Cox, Chair called the meeting to order.

Public Comment:

Chair Cox opened the floor to allow public comment. No one present wished to address the Board.

Approval of Board Minutes:

Ms. Mebane moved and Mr. Roberts seconded the motion to approve the February 1, 2022 minutes as submitted. The motion passed unanimously.

Director's Report:

Director Raper provided:

- Year-to-Date Budget Report
- Voter Registration Statistical Report
- Absentee By-Mail Ballots Cast to Date

Year-to-Date Budget Report:

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

Voter Registration Statistical Report:

The director presented the voter registration statistical report showing 107,975 registered voters. Registered voters increased by 928 since February 1, 2022.

Absentee By-Mail Ballots Cast to Date:

The director reported 19 civilian and 17 overseas absentee by-mail ballots have been cast for the May 17, 2022 Primary Election for which approval is recommended.

Board Discussion:

The Board received information on Chat-2-Vote, a text message based communication service to answer election questions from voters.

Board Actions:

The Board performed meaningful quality control of staff recommendations with a bipartisan review of 19 civilian absentee ballot envelopes. Mr. Roberts moved and Ms. Mebane seconded a motion the Board approve 19 civilian absentee ballots. The motion was unanimous.

After bipartisan Board review of all duplicated ballots, Mr. Roberts moved and Ms. Brodie seconded a motion to approve 17 overseas absentee ballots. The motion was unanimous.

The Board opened approved absentee ballot envelopes and observed staff insert ballots into the DS200 tabulator. The ending tabulator count was 36.

Mr. Roberts moved and Ms. Mebane seconded the motion the Board move into closed session as permitted in NCGS 143-318.11(a)(6) to discuss precinct personnel. The motion was unanimous.

Mr. Roberts moved and Ms. Mebane seconded the motion the Board return to open session. The motion was unanimous.

Ms. Brodie moved and Mr. Roberts seconded the motion to approve the precinct official vacancy appointments as discussed. The motion was unanimous.

Adjournment:

Ms. Mebane moved and Mr. Roberts seconded the motion the Board adjourn. The motion passed unanimously.

Next Scheduled Board Meeting: April 19, 2022 at 5 PM