



**ORANGE COUNTY**  
NORTH CAROLINA  
BOARD OF ELECTIONS

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Absentee Meeting  
Orange County Board of Elections  
Tuesday, October 26, 2021 – 5 PM

Present: Shawnee Seese, Secretary; Elvira Mebane, Member; Jason Roberts, Member;  
Rachel Raper, Director; and Terri Young, Deputy Director

**Call to Order:**

Shawnee Seese, Secretary called the meeting to order.

**Public Comment:**

Secretary Seese opened the floor to allow public comment. No one present wished to address the Board.

**Approval of Board Minutes:**

Mr. Roberts moved and Ms. Mebane seconded the motion to approve the October 5, 2021; October 12, 2021; and October 19, 2021 minutes as submitted. The motion passed unanimously.

**Director's Report:**

Director Raper provided:

- One-Stop Ballots Cast to Date
- Absentee By-Mail Ballots Cast to Date

**One-Stop Ballots Cast to Date:**

The director reported 382 one-stop ballots have been cast as of Monday, October 25.

**Absentee By-Mail Ballots Cast to Date:**

The director reported 69 civilian absentee ballots and 17 overseas absentee ballots for which approval is recommended. There are five civilian absentee ballots for which rejection is recommended. These voters have been contacted and ballots reissued.

**Board Actions:**

The Board performed meaningful quality control of staff recommendations with a bipartisan review of 69 civilian absentee ballot envelopes. Ms. Mebane moved and Mr. Roberts seconded a motion the Board approve 69 civilian absentee ballots. The motion was unanimous.

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

After Board review of envelopes recommended for disapproval, Mr. Roberts moved and Ms. Mebane seconded a motion to disapprove five absentee ballots. The motion was unanimous.

The Board assisted staff open approved absentee ballot envelopes and observed staff insert ballots into the DS200 tabulator. The ending tabulator count was 171.

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

**Adjournment:**

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

**Next Scheduled Board Meeting: Tuesday, November 2 at 2 pm**