



ORANGE COUNTY
NORTH CAROLINA
BOARD OF ELECTIONS

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Absentee Meeting
Orange County Board of Elections
Monday, November 2, 2020 – 5 PM

Present: Jamie Cox, Chair; Shawnee Seese, Secretary; Clare Brennan; Elvira Mebane; Jason Roberts; and Rachel Raper, Director

Call to order:

Jamie Cox, Chair called the meeting to order.

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 50,562 one-stop ballots were cast for the November 3, 2020 Presidential Election.

Absentee By-Mail Ballots Cast to Date:

The director reported 3,005 civilian absentee ballots, 117 overseas absentee ballots, and 20 military absentee ballots for which approval is recommended.

Board Actions:

Director Raper reported to the Board the missing ballot from the October 27th absentee had been found. Staff found the ballot still in its envelope. The ballot was tabulated under Board observation.

The Board performed meaningful quality control of staff recommendations with a bipartisan review of 500 civilian absentee ballot envelopes returned October 27 – November 2. Ms. Seese moved and Mr. Roberts seconded a motion the Board approve 3,005 civilian absentee ballots. The motion was unanimous.

After bipartisan Board review of all duplicated ballots received by November 2, Ms. Seese made a motion and Mr. Roberts seconded a motion to approve 117 overseas and 20 military absentee ballots. The motion was unanimous.

The Board assisted staff open approved absentee ballot envelopes and observed staff insert ballots into the DS850 central tabulator. A container return envelope was found to be deficient as a voter served as their own witness. The voter will be contacted. Mr. Roberts made a motion and Ms. Seese seconded a motion the Board amend the previous motion and approve 3,004 civilian absentee ballots. The motion was unanimous.

The ballots were inserted into the DS850 central tabulator. The ending tabulator count was 25,394.

Adjournment:

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

Next Scheduled Board Meeting: November 3, 2020 at 2 pm