

Minutes

Franklin County Board of Elections

Board Meeting – October 1, 2020

The Franklin County Board of Elections met on this date at 6:00 pm. The following were present at that time: Chairperson Sonravea Privette, Secretary Harry Barrick, M. Rose Gill, Barry Gupton, Angela Pearce, Director Michelle Chavis, Deputy Director Colette Kneeland, Democratic Party Chair Lucy Allen, Republican Party Chair Representative Ed Strickland, Observer Ann Quinlan.

Chairperson Sonravea Privette called the meeting to order and explained that they would continue the Absentee Meeting held on September 29, 2020 by opening and feeding the approved mail-in absentee ballots into the DS200 tabulator. She then turned the meeting over to Director Michelle Chavis. Director Michelle Chavis explained that they would follow the agenda and discuss any additional business at the end of the meeting.

New Business

Absentee Ballot Review

October 1, 2020

NCGS 163-230.1 and State Board of Elections Numbered Memos: 2020-25 – Absentee Meetings and 2020-19 (as Revised on 9/22/2020) – Absentee Container-Return Envelope Deficiencies

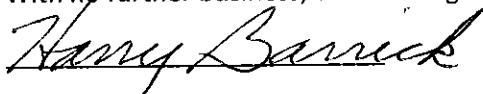
The Chairperson Sonravea Privette requested that the Board work as 2 multi-partisan groups to open all the mail-in ballots and to insert them into the tabulator in groups of 50. Any ballots that were damaged during the opening of the envelope were duplicated with a multi-partisan group and fed into the tabulator. The tabulated ballots that filled the DS200 tabulator were sealed by a multi-partisan group watching using the following seal numbers: 193-2101 and 193-2102.

The Director provided a list of 173 civilian absentee ballots to be reviewed by the board and reported that 12 of the civilian ballots would need to be held per the State Board of Elections due to deficiencies on the ballot return envelope. After the Board reviewed the Civilian mail-in Absentee Ballots, a motion was made by Board Secretary Harry Barrick, seconded by Board Member Barry Gupton to approve 161 civilian mail-in absentee ballots and disapprove 12 mail-in absentee ballots with research for deficiencies. The vote was unanimous. A motion was made by Board Secretary Harry Barrick, seconded by Board Member M. Rose Gill to spoil and resend with a letter to the voter, being 1 of the 12 disapproved civilian mail-in ballots due to unreadable voter certification.

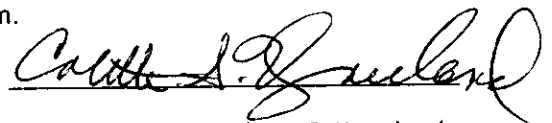
The Board reviewed 3 UOCAVA Ballots, 2 Military and 1 Overseas. After the Board duplicated and tabulated the ballots, a motion was made by Board Member Barry Gupton, seconded by Board Member Angela Pearce to approve the 2 military and 1 Overseas UOCAVA ballots. The vote was unanimous.

Secretary Harry Barrick made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Board Member M. Rose Gill. The vote was unanimous.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:55 pm.



Secretary, Harry Barrick



Deputy Director, Colette S. Kneeland