

## Minutes

### Franklin County Board of Elections

#### Board Meeting – October 06, 2020

The Franklin County Board of Elections met on this date at 5:00 pm. The following were present at that time: Chairperson Sonravea Privette, Secretary Harry Barrick, Board Members M. Rose Gill, Barry Gupton and Angela Pearce, Director Michelle Chavis, Deputy Director Colette Kneeland, Republican Party Chair Representative Ed Strickland (later), Observers Dewy Botts and Jo Dorsett (later).

Chairperson Sonravea Privette called the meeting to order and awaited a public comment from Dewy Botts before turning 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

##### Public Comments

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Dewy Botts made a statement that he would leave the board meeting due to not all attendees complying with the county policy to wear a face covering.

##### Absentee Ballot Review

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NCGS 163-230.1 and State Board of Elections Numbered Memos: 2020-28 – Court Order Regarding Numbered Memos [2020-19 (both versions), 2020-22, 2020-23 and 2020-27].

Chairperson Sonravea Privette requested that the Board continue to work as 2 multi-partisan groups to review all the mail-in ballots and to insert them into the tabulator. Any ballots that were damaged during the opening of the envelope will be duplicated with a multi-partisan group and fed into the tabulator.

Director Michelle Chavis requested that the Board insert the 3 approved and duplicated UOCAVA ballots from the previous Absentee Board Meeting into the DS200 tabulator. The Director then provided a list of 396 civilian absentee ballots to be reviewed by the board. She explained that no further action can be taken for those Civilian mail-in Absentee Ballots with deficiencies until further notice per direction of the State Board of Elections and that they will be placed in a Pending status in the SEIMS database.

After the Board reviewed the Civilian mail-in Absentee Ballots, a motion was made by Board Secretary Harry Barrick, seconded by Board Member M. Rose Gill to approve 382 civilian mail-in absentee ballots. The vote was unanimous. A motion was made by Board Member Barry Gupton, seconded by Board Member Angela Pearce to disapprove the 14 mail-in ballots to be held per the State Board of Elections due to deficiencies on the ballot return envelope. The vote was unanimous.

The Director provided the Board with the lists of 3 Military and 2 Overseas UOCAVA Ballots to Board for review and duplicate for tabulation. A motion was made by Board Secretary Harry Barrick, seconded by Board Member M. Rose Gill to approve the 3 Military Ballots. The vote was unanimous. A motion was made by Board Secretary Harry Barrick, seconded by Board Member M. Rose Gill to approve the 2 Overseas Ballots. The vote was unanimous.

##### Review Minutes from October 1, 2020 Board Meeting

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NCGS 163-31

The Board reviewed the minutes of the October 1, 2020 meeting. The motion was made by Secretary Harry Barrick, seconded by Board Member M. Rose Gill to approve the minutes with corrections. The vote was unanimous.

**Other Business**

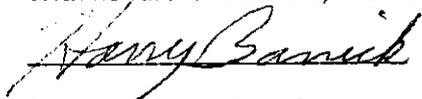
Multi-partisan Assistance Team (MAT)

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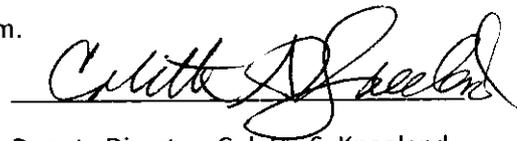
The Director announced that the MAT is scheduled to make their first site visit on Wednesday, October 7, 2020 to assist 5-6 residents with their Absentee Ballot Request forms.

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

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:59 pm.



Secretary, Harry Barrick



Deputy Director, Colette S. Kneeland