

CLAYTON COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS AND REGISTRATION

Regular Business Meeting  
4:30 p.m.

May 9, 2017

SUMMARY MINUTES

PRESENT: Vice-Chairman Harry Osborne, Secretary Ruth Ash, Board Member Patricia Pullar, Board Member Carol Wesley, Director Shauna Dozier, Elections and Registration Supervisor Kamardi Carter, and Clerk Allison Ruotolo. NOT PRESENT: Chairman Dorothy Hall.

1. Vice-Chairman Osborne called the meeting to order.
2. Moment of silence observed.
3. Motion by Board Member Pullar, second by Secretary Ash, to adopt the agenda for the May 9, 2017 Regular Business Meeting of the Board of Elections and Registration. Vote unanimous.
4. Motion by Secretary Ash, second by Vice-Chairman Osborne, to approve the minutes of the April 11, 2017 Regular Business Meeting of the Board of Elections and Registration. Vote unanimous.
5. PUBLIC COMMENTS:
  1. Mr. Chuck Ware of Clayton County asked the Board if the proposal for twenty-five (25) voter registration applications being provided to the public at a time was still in effect.  
  
Vice-Chairman Osborne informed Mr. Ware that public comment was not a time for conversation between the public and the Board. It is a time for public comment. However, Vice-Chairman Osborne did inform Mr. Ware the position has been withdrawn and is no longer in effect.
6. Old Business: None.
7. New Business:
  - A. Director's Report.
  - B. High School Voter Registration Month.
  - C. Proposed Legislation.
  - D. Hearing to remove felons from elector's list.
8. Director Dozier stated as of May 1, 2017 there are 177,740 registered voters to include 147,501 active voters and 30,239 inactive voters.
9. Ms. Dozier informed the Board the office has been notified by the Georgia Secretary of State's Office that the National Change of Address Confirmations (NCOA) process will be delayed due to the federal election. The Secretary of State's Office will provide an update pending the release of the delay.
10. Director Dozier informed the Board the legislation for the City of Riverdale redistricting was signed by the Governor. The shapefiles have been received and sent to GIS. Implementation will begin after the GEOA Conference.
11. Ms. Dozier informed the Board of some of the voter education and outreach events the office has been conducting with the goal to conduct at least two (2) voter education events a

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month in each commission district this year and moving forward. Ms. Dozier explained the office has reached out to commissioners whenever they host an event and other departments to tap into resources so that the office can setup a voter registration table at the events.

Director Dozier asked the Board to email her any contacts for further voter education and outreach opportunities.

Vice-Chairman Osborne asked Ms. Dozier whose idea it was to have a presence at the Commissioners' events.

Mr. Dozier stated it was her idea so that the office can engage students and citizens in the community to promote voter registration and discussing upcoming municipal elections.

Vice-Chairman Osborne commended Ms. Dozier for the idea.

12. Director Dozier informed the Board the City of Morrow has expressed interest in the County conducting their November election. Ms. Dozier will meet with the City of Morrow for further discussion. Also, Ms. Dozier will meet with the City of Riverdale to discuss redistricting and how the process will unfold.

Board Member Pullar asked who exactly would be working on the redistricting in the office and how much experience do they have.

Ms. Dozier explained she and Supervisor Carter have experience with redistricting and GIS. Director Dozier and Mr. Carter would be conducting the redistricting and the staff would be allowed to verify.

Board Member Pullar asked Director Dozier if voter education and notification of new districts to the voters would be discussed for the upcoming November election.

Director Dozier stated that would be the conversation with the city during the meeting and that the office is required by law to send out precinct cards to all voters impacted by the redistricting.

Board Member Pullar stated she would like to see community outreach to educate and inform the voters of the municipal redistricting and changes.

Director Dozier informed Board Member Pullar that this information is already included in the community outreach plan and the discussion during the meeting with the City of Riverdale.

12. Director Dozier informed the Board the office did conduct deputy registrar training with the educators.

13. Supervisor Carter explained to the Board that training was delayed due to testing but the office has a timeline for voter registration the high schools will be conducting. Voter registration should be conducted next week and the designated contact will return the applications to the office.

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Director Dozier stated the office has been working with Ms. Regina Wallace, the Regional Coordinator for Clayton County Schools, during annual deputy registrar training for the teachers. Also, the office is planning to conduct several events in the high schools with the students to conduct voter education and encourage the students to become involved with the process.

Ms. Dozier stated that Secretary Kemp had discussed the Student Ambassador Program in GEOA and wants to be sure Clayton County is represented in the program.

Board Member Pullar stated she would like to recommend maximizing community outreach beyond the public schools through television media, public service announcements, and newspapers.

Director Dozier clarified to the Board when she says public schools that it includes public schools, private schools, charter schools, and Clayton State. Also, Ms. Dozier has already been in touch with CCTV23.

Board Member Wesley stated Commissioner Hambrick sends out a monthly calendar to all residents and recommended including information in the calendar.

Director Dozier stated the office was involved with Ms. Hambrick's HOA brunch in March and the office is beginning to receive the commissioners' calendars for the year. As the calendars and events are received, the office is reaching out to the Constituent Aides to discuss providing a presence. For example, Commissioner Gregory's health fair is coming up in May and the office has already reached out to Ms. Gregory's office to setup a table at the health fair May 20th.

14. Director Dozier stated House Bill 268, the SOS Housekeeping Bill, has not been signed by the Governor at this time, but it is under his review. Secretary Kemp did discuss HB 268 at the GEOA Conference and Ms. Dozier does have information to provide the Board regarding changes, additions, and updates to HB 268.

Director Dozier stated House Bill 548 is now Act 125 which creates redistricting for the City of Riverdale that was signed by Governor May 3, 2017.

15. Motion by Vice-Chairman Osborne, second by Secretary Ash, to remove the list of felons from the electors' list. Vote unanimous.

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There being no further business, motion by Board Member Pullar, second by Board Member Wesley to adjourn the Regular Business Meeting at approximately 4:50 p.m. Vote unanimous.

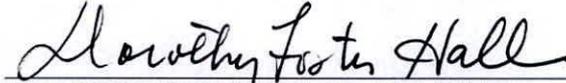
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ATTEST:

  
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ALLISON R. RUOTOLO, CLERK