

CLAYTON BOARD OF ELECTIONS AND REGISTRATION

Special Called Board Meeting
4:00 P.M.

November 15, 2016

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PRESENT: Chairman Dorothy Hall, Vice-Chairman Patricia Pullar, Secretary Ruth Ash, Board Member Harry Osborne, Board Member George Sligh, Director Shauna Dozier and Clerk Allison Ruotolo. GUESTS: Detrick Stanford, Chief Operating Officer, Shalanda Miller, Staff Attorney.

1. Chairman Hall called the meeting to order.
2. Moment of silence observed.
3. Motion by Board Member Sligh, second by Secretary Ash, to adopt the agenda for the November 15, 2016 Special Called Meeting of the Clayton County Board of Elections and Registration. Vote unanimous.
4. New Business:
 - A. Certification of Results for the General Election; and Special Elections for the City of College Park and the City of Jonesboro held on November 8, 2016.
5. Director Dozier stated there was a Special Election for the City of Jonesboro and the City of College Park in conjunction with the November 8, 2016 General Election. There was 69.95% turnout for this election. 56,258 people voted during Advance Voting, which was about 60% of the voting. There were 154 Provisional ballots accepted.
6. Motion by Board Member Sligh, second by Secretary Ash, to approve the Certification of Results for the General Election; and Special Elections for the City of College Park and the City of Jonesboro held on November 8, 2016. Motion passed 4-1. Vice-Chairman Pullar abstained.
7. PUBLIC COMMENT:
 1. Joan Burton, FP1 Manager, commended the Board for selecting Ms. Dozier as Elections Director. Ms. Burton shared her Election Day experience to include how smooth the day went and congratulated Director Dozier on a good job.
 2. Keith Poole, MO1 Manager, stated he was opened to new ideas and he loved the idea of cross training for the election. Mr. Poole stated he is hoping for a follow up meeting with the Managers to discuss better scheduling for training. Mr. Poole had to scramble to contact workers for training.
 3. Archie Emerson, former Coordinator, stated Ms. Dozier relieved her of her duties and presented a letter to the Board. Ms. Emerson spoke of how Director Dozier brought the Coordinators in for a meeting stating she was not the one who said Coordinators

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would be eliminated. Ms. Emerson stated in turn each Coordinator was then given a job except for her. Ms. Emerson continued to explain there were several meetings and emails

in which Ms. Dozier said she did not have time to get back to the Coordinators that she would get back to them later. Ms. Emerson stated she was asked to report to the office on Election Day.

Ms. Emerson explained she had to leave at 5 p.m. the Saturday prior to the election and that she had received a letter from Ms. Dozier indicating she had left at 4 p.m. Ms. Emerson volunteered to have her phone records pulled to prove she was in the building at 5:04 p.m. sending a text to Deborah Hodge to let her know she was leaving. Ms. Hodge informed her the phones were cut off and that she could not come into the room they were in, so Ms. Emerson left. Ms. Emerson indicated her intent to return when Sandra Norwood informed her that Ms. Dozier instructed them to close down because they were leaving for the day.

Ms. Emerson discussed her background training and that she did not want the job as Coordinator back, but that maybe Director Dozier relieved her of her duties because she went against her. Ms. Emerson stated that by hiring someone and giving them \$86,000 a year of tax payer money she should utilize the people she has. Ms. Emerson explained she worked behind the scenes to make Director Dozier look good.

Ms. Emerson stated she told Ms. Dozier she would not be in at 8 a.m. the next morning and was fired; however, the other Coordinators showed up late, went back to work as a Manager in a precinct, or called out for the day. Ms. Emerson explained she followed protocol, but it did not matter because Ms. Dozier had an agenda and now Ms. Emerson was on the tax payer's side.

Ms. Emerson explained Election Day was tough and described some Coordinator duties. Ms. Emerson stated she felt things would have gone smoother if Director Dozier had utilized all of her talent.

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There being no further business, motion by Board Member Sligh, second by Secretary Ash, to adjourn the Special Called Board Meeting at approximately 4:17 p.m. Vote unanimous.

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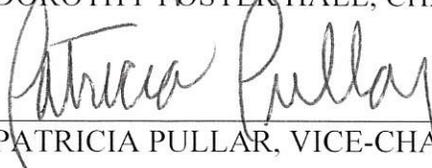
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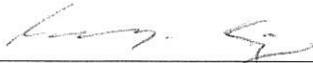
DOROTHY FOSTER HALL, CHAIRMAN



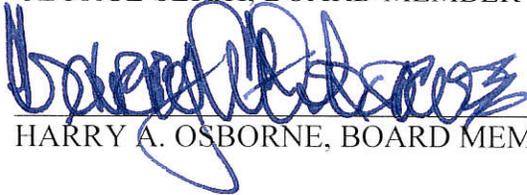
PATRICIA PULLAR, VICE-CHAIRMAN



RUTH F. ASH, SECRETARY



GEORGE SLIGH, BOARD MEMBER



HARRY A. OSBORNE, BOARD MEMBER

ATTEST:



ALLISON R. RUOTOLO, CLERK