

CLAYTON COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS AND REGISTRATION

Regular Board Meeting
7946 North McDonough Street
Jonesboro, GA 30236

August 13, 2024
4:30 PM

APPROVED POST SUMMARY MINUTES

PRESENT: Chair Hope, Secretary Johnson, Board Member Foster Hall, Board Member Wesley, Deputy Director Brown, Attorney Reed, and Administrative Assistant Taylor. ABSENT: Director Dozier.

1. Call to Order at 4:30 PM.
2. Moment of Silence.
3. Adoption of the Agenda.

Motion made by Board Member Foster Hall, seconded by Board Member Wesley, to adopt the agenda for the Regular Board Meeting on August 13, 2024. Vote Unanimous. Motion Carried.

4. Approval of Board Minutes for July 9, 2024, Regular Business Meeting.

Motion made by Board Member Wesley, seconded by Board Member Foster Hall to approve the July 9, 2024, Regular Board Meeting minutes as printed. Vote Unanimous. Motion Carried.

5. Public Comment(s):

There were two (2) Public Comments.

1. Mike Hanson

Mr. Hanson asked the Board of Elections how many submissions concerning voters' challenges regarding registration cancellations that were in the news. Chair Hope stated there were none. Mr. Hanson further asked if the Elections office has received any training from the Secretary of State concerning how to handle any challenges if received.

2. Drew Andrews

Mr. Andrews introduced himself to the Board as the new Chairman of the Democratic Party for Clayton County. Mr. Andrews said he was pleased that the Board of Elections had not received any challenges. He asked if any challenges were received, would letters be sent to the voters saying they had been cancelled. Mr. Andrews told the Board that the Secretary of State recently launched a portal where you can go online and unregister yourself. And asked if voters had unregistered themselves and if they would receive a letter stating they were unregistered.

Deputy Director Brown stated that we are required to send out a letter to all those voters.

Mr. Andrews asked if there are any safeguards against someone else unregistering him since the Secretary of State had just launched this portal.

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The Deputy Director stated that additional information is required, including a driver's license number and the last four (4) digits of your social security number, to enter the portal.

6. Old Business:

There was no Old Business.

7. New Business:

A. Director's Report & 2024 Election Update.

Deputy Director Brown informed the Board that as of August 1, 2024, there are 214,813 Voters, 179,236 Active voters, and 34,947 inactive voters.

Deputy Director Brown informed the Board that qualifying for County Commissioner District 3 was held from July 31, 2024, through August 2, 2024.

Deputy Director Brown further informed the Board that only one candidate qualified. The special election would be canceled because the candidate would be deemed to be voting for herself.

Deputy Director Brown informed the Board that several mailings from the Secretary of State have been sent to us to be mailed to the voters.

Deputy Director Brown informed the Board that the NCOA (National Change of Address) was mailed out by June 27, 2024, and the second NCOA -Within County was mailed out on July 24, 2024.

Deputy Director Brown informed the Board of the number of Notices mailed out and the outcome if the voter did not respond.

Deputy Director Brown informed the Board: ERIC (Electronic Registration Information Center) CROSS STATE—SOS mailed 630 Notices on June 27, 2024. Voters were given 30 days to respond. If they did not respond, they would be moved from Active status to Inactive.

Deputy Director Brown informed the Board: NCOA OUT OF COUNTY/STATE—The Elections Office mailed 3,109 on June 27, 2024. Voters were given 30 days to respond. If they did not respond, they would be moved from Active status to Inactive.

Deputy Director Brown informed the Board of NCOA IN COUNTY- Elections Office mailed 3,695 on July 24, 2024. Voters were given 30 days to respond. If they did not respond, they would be processed to the new address identified as the updated address in the GARVIS System.

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Deputy Director Brown informed the Board that on August 7, 2024, he and Director Dozier participated in a Tabletop Exercise with the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA), joined by the Secretary of State and other County Election Officials Statewide. A County IT Tech also participated in the Tabletop Exercise.

Deputy Director Brown informed the Board that the Tabletop Exercise was in an effort to identify best practices and areas for improvement in response to cyber and physical security threats impacting Georgia's election infrastructure.

- B. Hearing to remove felons from the Elector's List (if necessary)

There are no felons to remove.

- C. Removal of deceased from elector's list (if necessary)

Motion made by Board Member Wesley, seconded by Board Member Foster Hall to remove the 153 deceased from the Elector's list with corrections as noted. Vote Unanimous. Motion Carried.

8. Executive Session: To consider personnel and/or litigation as necessary.

Motion made by Chair Hope, seconded by Secretary Johnson, to enter into an Executive Session to consider personnel at 4:40 PM.

Motion made by Board Member Wesley, seconded by Board Member Foster Hall, to resume the Regular Board Meeting at 4:47 PM

9. Adjourn.

Motion made by Board Member Wesley, seconded by Board Member Foster Hall to adjourn the Regular Board Meeting at 4:50 PM. Vote Unanimous. Motion Carried.

NEXT REGULAR SCHEDULED BOARD MEETING SEPTEMBER 10, 2024