

CLAYTON COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS AND REGISTRATIONS

Virtual Special Called Board Meeting
Zoom Communications

November 9, 2020
3:00 PM

APPROVED POST SUMMARY MINUTES

PRESENT: Chair Wesley, Vice-Chair Dorothy Foster Hall, Secretary Johnson, Treasurer Givens, Board Member Patricia Pullar, Director Shauna Dozier, Supervisor Trivis Houston, Attorney Charles Reed, and Elections & Registration Assistant Brianna Garrett.

SPECIAL CALLED BOARD MEETING

1. Chair called the meeting to order.
2. Moment of silence observed.
3. Adoption of Agenda

Motion made by Treasure Givens seconded by Secretary Johnson to accept the Agenda for the Special Called Board Meeting on November 9, 2020. Vote. Unanimous. Motion carried. Absent: Vice-Chair Foster-Hall.

4. Public Comment.

Della Ashley submitted a comment that reads: "As a volunteer poll watcher Nov. 3 and 2 other days at several precincts, I have several concerns. Some precincts had the write-in candidates posted fine, but 2 didn't even know they should be posted. Also, shouldn't what is listed online have been posted as the sample ballot, which includes write-in candidates and the complete version of the ballot amendments? That is not being done consistently. Also, 2 schools had the precinct ID signs in front of an entry to the school that was locked and hard to understand arrows directing the voters to the right entrance. We need better signage as that could impact voters at the end of the day not being able to enter on time. The early voting at one location needed more staff as they had 15 machines only being partly used and yet there were over 50 people still in line after 7."

"I would like to know what the process was for locking our 7 absentee ballot drop boxes on Nov. 3rd. Who were the witnesses of that process? Were police utilized to bring in the ballot bags from the precincts this time? Thank You."

Chair Wesley commented about the general public comment and asked Attorney Reed for his input on questions presented in the comments.

Attorney Reed clarified to the Board that public comment is an opportunity for the public to bring comments and issues to the Board's attention.

Chair Wesley commented that she heard several questions within this person's comment. Chair Wesley asked Director Dozier if she would briefly address the concerns and then put the responses in writing. However, this will not become a practice of having Q&A for public comment.

Director Dozier informed the Board that there is a process for the drop boxes which are under 24 hour surveillance. The Managers and Assistant Managers or one of the Polling Officials inside of the location brought back the ballot bags from the precincts for the November 3rd General & Special

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Election. Director Dozier informed the Board that at 7:00 P.M. there was an Election Official at the Official Absentee Drop Boxes to lock the boxes. The signage at each precinct was roughly five (5) feet by three (3) feet which are significantly larger than the signs used in the past.

Director Dozier informed the Board that each Poll Manager and Poll Worker is trained to post the write-in candidates beside the sample ballots. Without any evidence or any information on a specific precinct, it cannot be addressed.

5. New Business

A. Certification of Election- General & Special Called Election held on November 3, 2020

Director Dozier informed the Board that there was a 58.44% turnout for the November General Election. One thousand fifty-eight (1,058) Provisionals were received and reviewed of which 503 were accepted and 555 were rejected. The highest turnout was during Advanced Voting. There are runoffs associated with the November General Election that will start on December 1st.

Motion made by Treasurer Givens seconded by Secretary Johnson to certify the General and Special Election held on November 3, 2020. Vote Unanimous. Motion Carried. Absent: Vice-Chair Foster-Hall

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

There was no executive session.

7. Adjourn

Motion made by Secretary Johnson to adjourn the Virtual Special Called Board Meeting at 3:21 P.M. Motion seconded by Treasurer Givens. Vote Unanimous. Motion Passed. Absent: Vice-Chair Foster-Hall.

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DARLENE JOHNSON, SECRETARY

ATTEST:



BRIANNA GARRETT, ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT