

CLAYTON COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS AND REGISTRATION

Regular Business Meeting
7946 North McDonough Street
Jonesboro, GA 30236

July 12, 2022
4:30 P.M.

APPROVED POST SUMMARY MINUTES

PRESENT: Chair Johnson, Vice-Chair Givens, Treasurer Wesley, Secretary Foster Hall, Board Member Pullar, Attorney Reed, Director Dozier, Registrar Manager Golden, and Administrative Assistant Jennifer Clemmer.

REGULAR CALLED BOARD MEETING

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

Motion made by Board Member Pullar seconded Vice Chair Givens to amend the agenda for the Regular Called Meeting for July 12, 2022, to add a discussion on the Revised Procedures for Responding to Voter Challenges under New Business as item E. Vote Unanimous. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Vice Chair Givens seconded by Secretary Foster Hall to adopt the agenda for the Regular Called Meeting for July 12, 2022. Vote Unanimous. Motion Carried.

- 4. Approval of Board Minutes for June 14, 2022 Regular Business Meeting.*

Motion made by Board Member Pullar seconded by Secretary Foster Hall to approve minutes from the Regular Business Meeting on June 14, 2022, with corrections. Vote Unanimous. Motion carried.

- 5. Approval of Board Minutes for June 24, 2022 Special Called Meeting.*

Motion made by Board Member Pullar seconded by Secretary Foster Hall to approve minutes from the Special Called Meeting on June 24, 2022. Vote Unanimous. Motion Carried.

6. Public Comment (s): Citizens will be given a three (3) minute maximum time limit to speak before the Board of Elections and Registration about various topics, issues, and concerns. Public comment will be limited to thirty (30) minutes. Following thirty minutes of hearing from the public, the Board of Elections and Registration will allow the remainder of citizens who have signed up to be heard at the next regular business meeting.

There were no public comments.

- 7. Old Business.*

Board Member Pullar inquired about adopting the Board of Commissioner's new public comment policy.

Attorney Reed informed the Board that the new Board of Commissioner's public comment policy only applies to Board of Commissioner's meetings.

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Chair Johnson inquired about the Board's updated badges and the Chair's official shirt.

Director Dozier informed the Board that in regards to the badges, the recommendation is to keep the badges with the Board member's name and have another piece that has the Board member's title since the title changes periodically.

Director Dozier informed the Board that the staff does not have names on their shirts as stated by Chair Johnson, therefore the recommendation remains the same.

Director Dozier informed the Board that adding titles to shirts as well as badges would provide a financial revolving door since titles change frequently.

Director Dozier informed the Board that the office is open to any suggestions the Board may have on shirts.

Director Dozier informed the Board that the office is in the process of looking at what the vendor can do to match the badges that are already made.

Vice Chair Givens suggested a clear film sticker with the Board Member's titles to be put on the badges; that way, when the Board Member title does change, only the sticker would need to be replaced.

Board Member Pullar inquired about the directive that was given to Registrar Manager Golden to provide the Voter Education PowerPoint presentation to the Board members at the last regular business meeting.

Manager Golden informed the Board that he would provide the presentation.

Chair Johnson informed the Board that she had received her copy of the presentation from Mr. Golden.

Board Member Pullar informed the Board that the rest of the Board had not received their copy.

Director Dozier informed the Board that the office is preparing for the November 2022 General Elections. The office will have the Poll Worker training dates and times in the next director's report.

Board Member Pullar inquired about increasing the Poll Worker pay to attract more people.

Director Dozier informed the Board that the office is in the process of gathering information from like counties as far as what they pay their Poll Workers and Seasonal Employees, and will bring to the Board a recommendation at a future meeting.

8. New Business

A. Director's Report & 2022 Election Updates

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Registrar Manager Golden informed the Board that the following report is a recap of activities that the office has completed and are ongoing with the office for June 2022.

Registrar Manager Golden informed the Board that the office has started preparing for the 2022 General Election, which will be held on November 7, 2022.

Registrar Manager Golden informed the Board that there were 204,072 (175,530 active and 29,000 inactive) voters for the month of June.

Registrar Manager Golden informed the Board that no felons are on the felon's list.

Registrar Manager Golden informed the Board that the office's outreach team had attended five county events in the past month.

Registrar Manager Golden informed the Board that the Outreach Specialist went to speak to kids about elections this morning.

Registrar Manager Golden informed the Board that the next regular Board meeting is August 9, 2022.

Director Dozier informed the Board that she would like to officially thank Registrar Manager Golden for all the hard work over the last 12 weeks.

Director Dozier informed the Board that she would like to thank the Board for their support during her absence.

Director Dozier stated that completing the 2022 General Primaries was a genuine team effort, and grateful to the departmental team for all of their hard work.

Director Dozier informed the Board that the Secretary of State's office, election officials, as well as county officials, have been given great reviews on the work the office has done over the past few months and how the operations have been quiet and smooth in regard to the primaries and preparations for the upcoming elections.

Treasurer Wesley informed the Board that she would also like to thank Registrar Manager Golden and the office staff for their hard work.

Chair Johnson informed the Board that Registrar Manager Golden has done an excellent job communicating with the Board and the list that the Director put together for him was followed perfectly.

Secretary Foster Hall informed the Board that Director Dozier's professionalism and guidance had contributed to the success of the office.

Board Member Pullar informed the Board that she was pleased with how the office transitioned during the Director's absences which led to no major issues or complaints from the citizens of Clayton County.

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Board Member Pullar informed the Board that she hopes that the success continues through the next election cycle.

B. Hearing to remove felons from elector's list (if necessary).

There were no felons.

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

Motion made by Treasurer Wesley, seconded by Secretary Foster Hall to remove the 54 names listed as deceased voters from the Clayton County Elections & Registration Elector's List for July 2022 as printed. Vote Unanimous. Motion Carried.

D. Recommendation to change Regular Business Meeting Location.

Chair Johnson informed the Board that due to the uprising in COVID-19 cases, it has been recommended to change the Regular Business Meeting Location to the Clayton County Election Center located at 7946 North McDonough Street, Jonesboro, Ga 30236 or to see if the Board can hold their meeting in one of the Human Resource Meeting rooms.

Chair Johnson informed the Board that she reached out to Human Resources about using Human Resource's meeting room.

Director Dozier inquired about where the Human Resources meeting room was located that the Chair would like to use.

Chair Johnson informed the Board that it is a big room across the hall from Human Resource's main office.

Director Dozier informed the Board that the room suggested by Chair Johnson is the Election's office old conference room that Director Hopkins gave to Human Resources when Human Resources moved to the Old Historic Courthouse.

Director Dozier informed the Board that the office was unaware that the suggested room was given to Human Resources until the office was going to use it for training and noticed the locks on the doors were changed.

Director Dozier informed the Board that Director Ambles was unaware that the room was an extension of the Elections Department.

Director Dozier informed the Board that because of scheduling conflicts with Human Resources, the office decided to move the conference room to one of the rooms within the ceremonial courtroom.

Director Dozier informed the Board that the office had not received any blueprints, and there has been little interaction since the Board met with Building and Maintenance regarding plans to move the office to another location.

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Board Member Pullar informed the Board that she recommends a chronological narrative regarding the changes in renovations and multiple building shifts that the Elections and Registration Department has experienced over the last several years.

Motion made by Board Member Pullar seconded by Secretary Foster Hall to move the Board of Elections and Registration Meeting location to 7946 North McDonough Street, Jonesboro, Ga 30236. Vote Unanimous. Motion Carried.

E. A Discussion for the Procedures for Responding to Voter Challenges.

Board Member Pullar informed the Board that Attorney Reed had provided a revision of the Voter challenge policy to make sure the Board was following the Secretary of State and Senate Bill 202.

Motion made by Board Member Pullar seconded by Secretary Foster Hall to adopt the Revised Procedures for Responding to Voter Challenges. Vote Unanimous. Motion Carried.

9. Executive Session: To consider personnel and litigation as necessary.

Motion made by Board Member Pullar seconded by Vice Chair Givens to go into executive session for litigation at 5:15 pm. Vote Unanimous. Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Wesley seconded by Secretary Foster Hall to come out of executive session at 5:30 PM. Vote Unanimous. Motion Carried.

10. Adjourn.

Motion made by Treasurer Wesley seconded by Secretary Foster Hall to adjourn the Regular Called Board Meeting at 5:30 PM. Vote Unanimous. Motion Carried.

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ATTEST:



JENNIFER CIEMMER, ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT