

INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: Clayton County Board of Elections and Registration

FROM: Shauna Dozier, Elections Director

RE: Operations Report for May 2021

DATE: June 7, 2021

The following report represents a summary and recap of major operations and activities that we have completed or are ongoing within Elections and Registration for the month of April 2021 and activities since the last Board meeting.

The priorities were centered on Post-Election Day activities associated with the 2020 June Primary Elections November General & Special Post Election Day request as well as the January 5, 2021 Special and General Runoff Elections, processing voter registration applications and the rearrangement of elections tasks due to the global pandemic COVID-19.

ELECTIONS

PERSONNEL STAFFING:

Monique Taylor resigned from the Elections and Registration Official position, on May 25, 2021, with an effective date of May 25, 2021. We wish her well in her future endeavors.

STAFFING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND TRAINING:

Deadline driven task from the redistribution of daily operations continue to receive priority training which included Staff Training.

2021 ELECTION UPDATES:

2021 SPECIAL ELECTION COMMISSION DISTRICT 1 - SEPTEMBER 21, 2021

The Clayton County Board of Elections called for a Special Election to fill the unexpired term of Commission District 1, due to the passing of Commissioner Sonna Singleton Gregory. The call has been submitted to the legal organ, Clayton News Daily for publishing on Wednesday, June 9, 2021.

The Clayton County Board of Commissioners set the qualifying fee at \$1,068 at the Regular Board Meeting held Tuesday, June 1, 2021. Commission District 1 covers portions of northeast Clayton County. If the September Special Election results yield a Runoff Election it will be held October 19, 2021.

Director Dozier will be presenting recommendations to the Board regarding Advance Voting locations dates and times for consideration at the upcoming meeting. Upon approvals this information will be advertised in the legal organ, the county website and through the Clayton County Communications Department multiple times are we reach each milestone.

QUALIFYING:

Qualifying for the special election shall be held at the Clayton County Board of Elections and Registration Office, 121 South McDonough Street, Annex II, Main Floor Jonesboro, Georgia 30236. The qualifying fee shall be \$1,068 and can be paid by Cashier's Check or Money Order. The dates and hours of qualifying shall be as follows:

Monday, July 19, 2021 - 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Tuesday, July 20, 2021 - 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Wednesday, July 21, 2021 - 9:00 a.m. - 12 Noon

2021 ELECTION UPDATES CONTINUED:

VOTER REGISTRATION DEADLINE:

Monday, August 23, 2021, is the last day to register to vote for all persons who are not registered to vote and who desire to vote in the Special Election.

VOTING IN THE SPECIAL ELECTION

The several places for holding said special election shall be in the regular and established election districts of the County, and the polls will be open from 7:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M. on the date fixed for the election.

The first day Mail Absentee Ballot Applications can be accepted is Monday, July 5, 2021.

The last day Mail Absentee Ballot Applications can be accepted is Friday, September 10, 2021.

Mail Absentee Voting will begin on Monday, August 23, 2021, and ends on Friday, September 17, 2021.

PRECINCTS IN COMMISSION DISTRICT 1:

PRECINCT	VOTING LOCATION
*EW1	UTOPIAN ACADEMY FOR THE ARTS
*EW2	EAST CLAYTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL (new 2020)
*FP2	HUIE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
*FP4	BABB MIDDLE SCHOOL
*FP6	HAYNIE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
*JB08	MOUNT ZION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
*LC1	CLAYTON STATE UNIVERSITY-ARBOR HALL
*MO1	ANDERSON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
MO2	MORROW MUNICIPAL COMPLEX
MO3	TRAVELERS REST MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH
MO4	FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH OF MORROW
*MO5	ADAMSON MIDDLE SCHOOL
MO6	CHRISTIAN LIFE CENTER WORLDWIDE
*MO7	MCGARRAH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
*MO8	ROBERTA T. SMITH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
*MO9	MOUNT ZION PRIMARY SCHOOL
MO10	NOW FAITH APOSTOLIC MINISTRIES (new 2020)
MO11	ANTIOCH EAST BAPTIST CHURCH (new 2020)

LOGIC & ACCURACY TESTING

The Logic and Accuracy Testing is scheduled to tentatively start Monday, August 16, 2021, and shall continue until completion.

POLL WORKER TRAINING

Poll Worker Training is tentatively scheduled to start September 7, 2021, through September 17, 2021.

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BUDGET FY22 UPDATE:

Director Dozier provided the Board with a copy of the proposed Elections and Registration Budget for FY'22. The Board of Commissioners are scheduled to adopt their final budget at the regular scheduled meeting on June 15, 2021.

<u>2021 GEORGIA ASSOCIATION OF VOTER REGISTRATION AND ELECTION OFFICIALS (GAVREO)</u> CONFERENCE:

The 2021 GAVREO conference is still scheduled for August 29 – September 1, 2021, with restrictions lifted.

RENOVATION OF ELECTION CENTER/FORMER 911 BUNKER:

Director Dozier has requested that Mr. Detrick Stanford provide an update to the Board as directed by Board Member Pullar at the upcoming scheduled board meeting.

POLLING PLACE SURVEYS AND RESERVATIONS:

We are in the process of securing the reservations for the 2021 Polling Locations. If needed, we will provide recommendations to the Board for approval at upcoming Regular Scheduled Board meetings in preparation for future elections.

UGA ABSENTEE BALLOT SIGNATURE MATCH STUDY:

The Secretary of State Elections office is partnering with the University of Georgia to conduct a statewide review of signature match during the November 2020 General Election.

The Secretary of State Elections office has requested that they need all counties to scan and send to liaisons copies of all completed absentee ballot cure forms from the November 2020 General.

Once the project begins, researchers with UGA will request us to pull a number of random envelopes (based on calculations of your total number of absentee ballots) for a number of ballot envelopes.

This project requires a court order and we are expected to fulfill the request to the Secretary of State Elections office by Friday, April 16, 2021. The Secretary of State indicated that this is a part of their ongoing effort to promote confidence in elections.

There are no further updates currently.

REGISTRATION

VOTER REGISTRATION:

As of June 7, 2021, there are 207,079 (197,987 Active: 9,092 Inactive) Voters.

LIST MAINTENANCE: CONFIRMATION NOTICES NO CONTACT FOR 2 GENERAL ELECTIONS:

We were informed that the Secretary of State's Office plans to mail out county confirmations for No Contact for 2 General Elections in accordance to O.C.G.A. § 21-2-234. The projected date is June 18, 2021. An update will be provided at the next board meeting.

FELON LIST

Number scheduled for June Hearing: None

VOTER EDUCATION/OUTREACH:

All in-person events have been adjusted for reduced contact due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

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DEPUTY REGISTRAR ACTIVITIES:

All trainings associated with Deputy Registrar activities will be conducted via Zoom Meeting due to COVID-19. For future events, please submit request to elections@claytoncountyga.gov.

VOTER EDUCATION/OUTREACH EVENTS/MEDIA COVERAGE:

Due to COVID-19 limited in person, activities were held during this time.

TASKS TO BE PERFORMED FOR FUTURE REPORTING PERIODS:

- Street Audits
- Preparing for 2020/2021 Post Election Events
- Redistricting Activities
- List Maintenance Preparations/Confirmation Notices
- 2021 September Special Election
- 2021 Municipal Elections
- 2022 Elections Planning
- Plan Voter Education/Outreach Events
- Poll Worker/Seasonal Staff Recruitment
- Poll Worker Procedural Writing and Training