

M I N U T E S
TRANSYLVANIA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

September 2, 2016

The Transylvania County Board of Elections met in regular session on Friday, September 2, 2016, at 10:00 AM in the office of the Board of Elections, 221 South Gaston Street, Brevard. Chairman David P. Morrow presided. Others present were Board Secretary John K. Barker, Member Sara G. Champion, Director Tracie Fisher, Deputy Director Jeff Storey, Deputy Director Laura Owen, Aubrey Woodard, and Kathleen Barnes.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Morrow. Board members considered the minutes from the August 12, 2016 meeting. **Mr. Barker moved to approve the August 12, 2016 minutes. The motion carried.**

The next item on the agenda was the General Election. Mrs. Fisher requested that the Board amend the absentee meeting dates for the November 8, 2016, General Election to accommodate the November 11th Veteran's Day Holiday. The new date will be Monday, November 14, 2016 at 5:00 PM. **Ms. Champion moved to approve the amended date recommended by Mrs. Fisher. The motion carried.** Mrs. Fisher presented the Board with the posters she ordered indicating that no photo ID would be required for the General Election. Mrs. Fisher informed the Board that the State Board of Elections has scheduled webinars every Thursday at 11:00 AM leading up to the election, except for next Friday, September 9 at 3:00 PM. These webinars are to keep everyone up to date on preparations for the General Election. An updated list of precinct officials was presented to the Board showing that there are vacancies that need to be filled in several precincts.

The Director updated the Board on the release date of the offices new website and the county policy for the county's new website. The office website will be live the weekend of September 9th.

The Director updated the Board on the status of the new building renovations. The Certificate of Occupancy was issued this week and paving for the remainder of the property will take place next week. Mrs. Fisher spoke with Larry Reece and he assured her that everything is moving forward as scheduled. The Director expressed concern about the security cameras inside the building. Mrs. Fisher has questions about the locations of the cameras and who controls them. Ms. Champion recommended that Mrs. Fisher seek guidance from the State Board of Elections regarding cameras inside of Board offices and voting enclosures. Mrs. Fisher informed the Board of the Election Center address, 150 South Gaston Street, Suite A.

In other business, the Director informed the Board that she has confirmed with both Rosman High School and Brevard High School that the office will be able to conduct voting machine demonstrations in conjunction with the voter registration drives that will be taking place this month. Mrs. Fisher added that Brevard Elementary School has requested the use of ballot boxes for a mock election and the Presidential Election workbooks have been given to the school system. Mrs. Fisher informed the Board about an interview she had with the Citizen-Times paper regarding the One-Stop Voting Implementation Plan and the budget for the office. The article was in the August 23, 2016 edition of the Citizen-Times.

The Board opened the floor for public comment. There was no public comment.

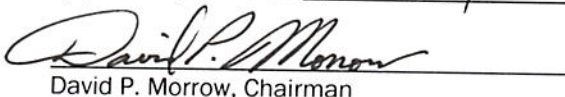
There was no additional business for the Board's consideration. **Mr. Barker moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried.** The meeting was adjourned at 10:48 AM. The next meeting of the Board will be held on October 7, 2016 at 10:00 AM in the new Election Center located at, 150 South Gaston Street, Suite A.

Respectfully submitted,



John K. Barker, Secretary

Approved by Board on: 10-7-2016


David P. Morrow, Chairman
Sara G. Champion, Member