

MINUTES
TRANSYLVANIA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS
March 29, 2018

The Transylvania County Board of Elections met to take their oath, appoint officers and conduct business on Thursday, March 29, 2018 at 9:00 AM in the office of the Board, 150 South Gaston Street, Brevard, Director Tracie Fisher presiding. Others present were David Morrow, Sara Champion, Lee McMinn, Pamela Dashiell, David Smith, Sammy Kicklighter, Kathy Morrow, Kathleen Barnes, Deputy Director Laura Owen, and Deputy Director Jeff Storey.

Director Fisher called the meeting to order. The Director requested that the new appointees to the Board of Elections by the State Board of Elections please take their oath. Deputy Director Laura Owen administered the oath to David Morrow, Sara Champion, and Lee McMinn.

Director Fisher asked for nominations for Chairman. Mr. Morrow nominated Sara Champion for Chairman, seconded by Lee McMinn. The motion passed. Chairman Champion asked for nominations for Vice Chairman. Mr. McMinn nominated David Morrow for Vice Chairman, seconded by Sara Champion. The motion passed. Chairman Champion asked for nominations for Secretary. Mr. Morrow nominated Lee McMinn for Secretary, seconded by Sara Champion. The motion passed.

Next item of business was the resolution assigning duties, responsibilities and authority to the Transylvania County Director of Elections. Mr. McMinn made a motion to approve the resolution (see attached), seconded by David Morrow. The motion passed.

Chairman Champion presented the minutes from the March 1, 2018 meeting for approval. Mr. Morrow made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Lee McMinn. The motion passed.

In other business, the Director presented the Board with the following precinct official appointments: Kim Spencer, out of precinct Republican Assistant Brevard #2; Jeanne Denon, Republican Judge Brevard #3; Lenora Saunders, out of precinct Republican Assistant Brevard #4; Charlotte Gilmore, out of precinct Democrat Assistant Cathey's Creek; Terri Miller, Democrat Assistant Cathey's Creek; Val Tisdale, Republican Judge Dunn's Rock; Dahila Jacobs, out of precinct Republican Assistant Pisgah Forest; Cherryl Gary, Democrat Assistant Rosman Eastatoe; and Evelyn Bridges, out of precinct Democrat Assistant TC7. Mr. McMinn made a motion to appoint the precinct officials for the 2017-2019 appointment, seconded by David Morrow. The motion passed.

The Director presented the Board with the resolution concerning the counting of the absentee ballots. Mr. McMinn made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by David Morrow. The motion passed.

The Director showed the board new signage that will be used at the precincts this election regarding curbside voting, buffer zones, entrances, and exits. The Director informed the board that 25 voter registration applications were completed at Brevard High School during her presentation to the civics classes with the assistance of community volunteers led by Kathleen Barnes. The Director noted that the assistance from the volunteers was very helpful. Director Fisher also shared new "I Voted" stickers with the board that will be purchased to replace the old version of the stickers as stock is used. The Director reminded the board of the upcoming One-Stop and precinct official training sessions.

The Chairman asked for board member and public comment. David Morrow expressed his relief that the State Board was able to move forward with the board member appointments. Chairman Champion noted the high probability of a runoff election in the Democratic Primary for the 11th Congressional District. Kathleen Barnes thanked the office for the cooperation during the registration drive at the Brevard High School and expressed her concern that there weren't more registrations received.

There was no further business for the Board's consideration. Ms. Champion made a motion for the meeting to be adjourned, seconded by Lee McMinn. The motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 AM. The next meeting of the Board is scheduled for Tuesday, April 17, 2018 at 5:00 PM for the Board to conduct regular business and consider absentee ballot applications at the Board office, 150 South Gaston Street, Brevard.


(Minutes: March 29, 2018 Continued)

Respectfully submitted,


Lee McMinn, Secretary

Approved by Board on: _____


Sara G. Champion, Chairman


Pam Dashiell, Member


David P. Morrow, Vice Chairman