

TRANSYLVANIA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS
MEETING MINUTES
October 31, 2023

Chair Champion called the absentee meeting of the Transylvania County Board of Elections to order at 5 p.m. on Tuesday, October 31, 2023, at 150 South Gaston Street, Brevard, NC 28712.

Attendance

Board Members:

Staff Members:

Chair: Sara Champion	Director: Jeff Storey
Secretary: Judith West	Deputy Director: Julie Dennis
Sandy Watson	
Wendy Warwick	
Nona Walker	

Visitors: Barb Jackson, Kathy Voltz, Alice Wellborn

Review and Approval of Agenda

On a motion by Member Warwick, the board unanimously approved the agenda.

DIRECTOR UPDATES

Director Storey indicated complaints have been submitted regarding electioneering in the pedestrian walkway. Traffic area is more congested now that the tag office is here. The director recommended written guidance on parking for the primary. The board agreed and suggested a one-way traffic circle in the parking area. The director will draft a summary map with traffic patterns and electioneering area designations for board approval.

The director indicated 683 have voted early as of October 30 with 33 CIVs mailed out.

Director Storey will take a site visit to the Buncombe County Board of Elections next week to evaluate the ExpressVote printer implementation for early voting.

Observer Lists

On a motion by Member Walker, the board unanimously approved the observer lists submitted by party chairs.

Precinct Official Appointments

Director Storey provided suggested recommendations for the Brevard #3 (B3) and Brevard #4 (B4) precincts. **On a motion by Member Watson, Val Tisdale was temporarily assigned as an assistant in B3. Ed Carroll was assigned as Democratic Judge for B4. Barbara Christing was assigned as an assistant in B4. Val Tisdale will resume chief judge role for the 2024 primary in Dunn's Rock precinct.**

Review and Approval of One Stop Applications

Director Storey informed the board there are 396 absentee one stop applications that have processed between October 24, 2023 and October 30, 2023. **Member West made a motion to approve the applications as presented. The motion carried unanimously.**

Approved: 396 OS Applications (Oct. 24, 2023 8 a.m. – Oct. 30, 2023 5:00 p.m.)

Review and Approval of Received Absentee Ballots

Director Storey presented the board with 5 CIV absentee applications to consider and approve. Absentee envelopes were provided sequentially by how they appeared on the absentee list. **Member Walker made the motion to approve the executed absentee ballots. The motion carried unanimously.**

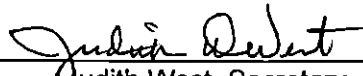
Approved: 5 CIV

PUBLIC COMMENTS

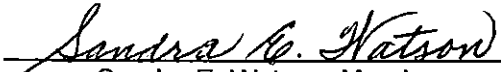
There were no public comments.

On a motion by Chair Champion, the meeting adjourned at 5:46 p.m. The next scheduled meeting will be at 5 p.m. on November 6, 2023, at 150 South Gaston Street, Brevard, NC 28712.

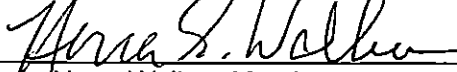
Respectfully submitted,



Judith West, Secretary



Sandra E. Watson, Member



Nona Walker, Member



Sara G. Champion, Chair



Wendy Warwick, Member

Approved by Board on: 12-14-2023