

# FORSYTH COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

## Board Meeting Agenda November 4, 2024– 2:00 p.m.

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- 3. Moment of Silence
- 4. Public Comments
- 5. Approval of Absentee Ballots
- 6. Appointment of Observers
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- 9. Closed Session (if needed)
- 10. Adjournment

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## **Meeting Called to Order**

A meeting of the Forsyth County Board of Elections was called to order in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Board Room on Monday, November 4, 2024, at **2:04** p.m., Chairperson Robert Durrah, Jr. presiding.

**Board Members in attendance:** Chairperson Robert Durrah, Jr., Vice Chair Catherine Jourdan, Secretary Chad Doomy, Member Alfred Harvey, Member Adam Draper

**Staff Members in attendance:** Director Tim Tsujii, Deputy Director Michelle Bobadilla, Tricia Starkey, Macy Payne

### **Pledge of Allegiance**

Chairperson Robert L. Durrah, Jr. led the Pledge of Allegiance.

## **Moment of Silence**

Chair Robert L. Durrah, Jr. led a moment of silence.

#### **Public Comments**

None

#### **Approval of Absentee Ballots**

Macy Payne, Absentee Ballots Manager, presented to the Board 2,780 civilian ballots for review and approval. Member Draper moved to approve the 2,780 ballots; Member Harvey seconded. **Motion carried unanimously.** 

Michelle Bobadilla, Deputy Director, presented 522 affidavit pending and 32 accepted cure absentee ballots for review and approval. Secretary Doomy moved to approve the 32 accepted cure ballots and the 522 affidavit pending ballots; Member Harvey seconded. **Motion carried unanimously.** 

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Mrs. Bobadilla presented 4 VIP (visually imparted person's) ballots, 38 military ballots, and 181 overseas ballots for review and approval. Member Draper moved to approve 181 overseas, 38 military and 4 VIP absentee ballots; Secretary Doomy seconded. **Motion carried unanimously.** 

Mrs. Payne informed the Board that the 32 previously approved accepted cure ballots were not supposed to be combined with a previous motion and that the correct number of accepted cure ballots was 31. Secretary Doomy moved to withdraw the previous motion for the 32 accepted cure ballots and 522 affidavit pending ballots; Member Draper seconded. **Motion carried unanimously.** 

Mrs. Payne presented 31 accepted cure ballots to the Board for review and approval. Secretary Doomy moved to approve the 522 affidavit pending ballots and the 31 accepted cure ballots; Member Draper seconded. **Motion carried unanimously.** 

Member Draper departs meeting at 6:14 p.m. and returns at 6:20 p.m.

Mrs. Payne presented 27 pending ballots for review. Secretary Doomy moved to approve 26 pending ballots and to approve 1 pending ballot to a pending cure category. Vice Chair Jourdan seconded. **Motion carried unanimously with Member Draper absent.** 

Mrs. Payne presented a total of 155 absentee ballots for disapproval consisting of 110 witness signature issue ballots, 2 spoiled ballots, 40 pending cure ballots, 1 early voting spoiled ballot, and 2 returned undelivered ballots. Member Draper moved to disapprove the total of 155 absentee ballots; Member Doomy seconded. **Motion carried unanimously.** 

Ballots that did not scan in the high-speed central counter due to tears, folds, or water damage were marked spoiled. The board members duplicated the ballots that were spoiled, and the ballots were properly scanned through the high-speed central counter.

Board Members signed absentee voter reports for the approved and disapproved ballots.

Board Members signed Zero Reports for the DS450 high-speed scanner.

The composite absentee ballot report was signed by the Board.

## **Other Business**

Mr. Tsujii presented to the Board three voter challenges for voters with an active felony status who cast a same day early voting ballot and also did same day registration. Secretary Doomy moved to challenge all 3 ballots; Member Harvey seconded. **Motion carried unanimously.** 

Mr. Tsujii presented a total of 12 absentee ballot challenges consisting of 10 deceased voters, 1 felony, and 1 voter moving out of the county. Secretary Doomy moved to challenge all 12 absentee ballots; Member Harvey seconded. **Motion carried unanimously.** 

#### **Appointment of Election Day Precinct Officials**

Olivia Phillips, Training Specialist, presented the updated election day precinct officials list for review. Secretary Doomy moved to approve the appointment of election day precinct officials as presented; Member Harvey seconded. **Motion carried unanimously.** 

#### **Appointment of Observers**

Tricia Starkey, Board Clerk, presented the observer lists for both the Republican and Democratic parties for Election Day which includes precinct specific observers and at-large observers. Member Draper moved to approve the observer lists as presented; Vice Chair Jourdan seconded. **Motion carried unanimously with Secretary Doomy absent.** 

#### **Adjournment**

Secretary Doomy moved to adjourn; Vice Chair Jourdan seconded. **Motion carried unanimously.** Meeting adjourned at 8:38 p.m.

Approved:

s:/Robert L. Durrah, Jr. Chairperson

> s:/Catherine Jourdan Vice Chair

> > s:/Alfred Harvey Member

s:/Adam Draper Member