

## **BOARD OF ELECTIONS**

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Secretary

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Member



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### **Agenda**

**September 19, 2017– 5 p.m.**

1. Meeting Called to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Moment of Silence
4. Public Comments
5. Approval of Minutes
6. Approval of Absentee Ballots (tentative)
7. Appointment of Precinct Officials
8. Other Business
9. Closed Session (if needed)
10. Adjournment

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## FORSYTH COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS Meeting Minutes September 19, 2017 – 5 p.m.

### Meeting Called to Order

A meeting of the Forsyth County Board of Elections was called to order in the second floor meeting room on September 19, 2017 at 5:00 p.m., Chairman Raymond presiding.

Board Members in attendance: Chairman Ken Raymond, Secretary Stuart Russell, and Member Susan Campbell

Staff Members in attendance: Director Tim Tsujii, Deputy Director Lamar Joyner, Chris Duffey, Tracy Teal and Kimberly Stuck

Other Staff: None

### Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman Raymond led the pledge of allegiance.

### Moment of Silence

Chairman Raymond led a moment of silence.

### Public Comment Session

Chairman Raymond called for public comments, none offered. Secretary Russell moved to close public comments, Member Campbell seconded; **Motion carried unanimously.**

### Approval of Minutes

Secretary Russell moved to approve minutes as presented; Member Campbell seconded; **Motion carried unanimously.**

### Approval of Absentee Ballots

Chairman Raymond called for absentee ballots; Director Tsujii stated that there had been none submitted for approval.

### Appointment of Precinct Officials

Tracy Teal presented the Board with names of precinct officials for consideration and approval at Precinct 51 – Clemmons Elementary; Precinct 52 – Clemmons Presbyterian Church; and Precinct 909 – Old Towne Recreation Center. Secretary Russell moved to approve based on staff recommendations, Member Campbell seconded; **Motion carried unanimously.**

Director Tsujii presented the Board with Precinct 053 – VFW Post 9010 and Precinct 605 –

Parkland High School which were tabled for revisions and appointments.

The Board brought back from the table Precinct 605 – Parkland High School; after reviewing the additional names submitted for consideration. Member Campbell moved to approve the names as recommended; Secretary Russell seconded motion; **Motion carried unanimously.**

The Board brought Precinct 053 - VFW Post 9010 back from the table as well to consider a name submitted during the August 22, 2017 meeting which required additional review due having a potential moral character issue. Secretary Russell inquired if there was a public record that could be reviewed. Chairman Raymond confirmed that there was a disciplinary action by the North Carolina State Bar. Secretary Russell inquired if the potential appointee had been disbarred and reviewed the discipline order and called for a review of the moral character requirement. Director Tsujii read for reference provided N.C.G.S. § 163-41(a) para 6 which states, “The chairman of each political party in the county where possible shall recommend two registered voters in each precinct who are otherwise qualified, are residents of the precinct, have good moral character, and are able to read and write, for appointment as chief judge in the precinct, and he shall also recommend where possible the same number of similarly qualified voters for appointment as judges of election in that precinct.” Secretary Russell after reviewing the information noted that the order was of a professional negligence nature. Member Campbell inquired if there had been an issues with the precinct official. Ms. Teal stated that had not been in the last election. The Board discussed the potential appointee and findings in depth; noting that public perception was a concern and reviewed additional public information. Upon review of the additional information, Secretary Russell moved to replace the person in question due to findings of an election fraud trial; Member Campbell seconded; **Motion carried unanimously.**

Director Tsujii provided an overview of approved changes at the August 22, 2017 meeting as well as provided insight on those that declined role of Chief Judge for a Judge position. Member Campbell moved to approve the Precinct Official List; Chairman Raymond seconded; **Motion carried unanimously.**

#### **Other Business**

Chairman Raymond inquired about the meeting on October 24, 2017 and if it could be rescheduled due to a conflict. Director Tsujii stated that the party chair could sit for Chairman Raymond according to N.C.G.S. § 163-234(8) which states “In the event a political party does not have a member of the county board of elections present at the meeting to count absentee ballots due to illness or other cause of the member, the counting shall not commence until the county party chairman of said absent member, or a member of the party's county executive committee, is in attendance. Such person shall act as an official witness to the counting and shall sign the absentee ballot abstract as an "observer."

#### **Closed Session**

Chairman Raymond inquired of need for closed session; none given.

#### **Adjournment**

Chairman Raymond called to adjourn; Secretary Russell moved to adjourn, Member Campbell seconded; **Motion carried unanimously.** Meeting adjourned at 5:43 p.m.

Board of Elections Meeting Minutes – September 19, 2017

Approved:

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Ken Raymond, Chair

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Stuart Russell, Secretary

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Date

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Susan Campbell, Member

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