

MINUTES
TRANSYLVANIA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS
May 17, 2018

The Transylvania County Board of Elections met to review and count the provisional ballots for the May 8, 2018 election, and conduct other business on Thursday, May 17, 2018 at 2:00 PM in the office of the Board, 150 South Gaston Street, Brevard, Chairwoman Sara G. Champion presiding. Others present were Vice Chairman David P. Morrow, Secretary Lee McMinn, Member Pam Dashiell, Director Tracie T. Fisher, Deputy Directors Jeff Storey and Laura Owen, Sammy Kicklighter, and Larry Chapman.

Chairwoman Champion called the meeting to order. Mrs. Fisher explained the process for reviewing and counting the provisional ballots cast during the election. Mrs. Fisher presented the board with a report outlining the research and recommendation of the staff regarding the 26 provisional ballots. **Mr. McMinn made a motion to accept the recommendation of the staff that 21 of the 26 ballots be approved and added to the unofficial results of the election; seconded by David Morrow. The motion carried.**

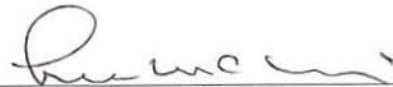
In other business, the Board considered the minutes of the May 11, 2018 meeting. **Mr. McMinn made a motion to approve the minutes; seconded by Pam Dashiell. The motion carried.**

In other business, the Director explained that a reporting discrepancy between election night and Monday, May 14 had occurred due to the testing of the new equipment. The staff discovered a statewide system programming error in reporting the results from two different voting systems. Results from the new system tested in the Brevard #3 precinct had to be manually entered into the statewide election night reporting system. It was later discovered that the statewide system overrode these manual entries when curbside and other machine results for Brevard #3 were entered using existing procedures. The State Board of Elections and Ethics Enforcement is correcting the procedures for future elections. Therefore, the results reported on election night changed after the results for Brevard #3 were manually entered into the system along with the supplemental absentee ballots. Mrs. Fisher noted that this is why all results are unofficial until canvass. Mrs. Fisher also shared with the Board the ad that will be published in the Transylvania Times thanking all the election workers for their service during the primary.

Chairwoman Champion asked for public comment. Mr. Kicklighter requested information regarding a recount and the procedures which was explained by the Director.

There was no further business for the Board's consideration. **Mr. McMinn made a motion for the meeting to be adjourned; seconded by David Morrow. The motion carried.** The meeting was adjourned at 3:30 PM. The next meeting of the Board is scheduled for Friday, May 18, 2018 at 11:00 AM for the Board to conduct canvass for the May 8, 2018 Primary Election and regular business at the Board office, 150 South Gaston Street, Brevard.

Respectfully submitted,



Lee McMinn, Secretary



Sara G. Champion, Chairman



David P. Morrow, Vice Chairman



Pam Dashiell, Member

Approved by Board on: 06-07-18