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TRANSYLVANIA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

September 6, 2018

The Transylvania County Board of Elections met to conduct business on Thursday, September 6, 2018 at 10:00 AM in the office of the Board, 150 South Gaston Street, Brevard, Chairman David P. Morrow presiding. Others present were Vice Chairman Sara G. Champion, Secretary Pam Dashiell, Member Lee McMinn, Director Tracie T. Fisher, Deputy Directors Jeff Storey and Laura Owen, Karen Henderson and Kathleen Barnes.

Chairman Morrow called the meeting to order. Mrs. Fisher presented the Board with the minutes from the August 2, 2018 meeting. **Ms. Champion made a motion to accept the minutes as presented, seconded by Ms. Dashiell. The motion passed.**

Next item on the agenda was the November 6, 2018 General Election. The Director requested that the Board appoint the following precinct officials; Ernest Speckman, Democrat, Assistant in Boyd precinct, Jeanne Wilson, Democrat, Assistant in Cathey's Creek precinct, Cindy Miller, Democrat, Assistant in Pisgah Forest precinct and Louis Boros, Unaffiliated, Assistant in Brevard #2 precinct. **Ms. Champion made a motion to appoint the precinct officials, seconded by Mr. McMinn. The motion passed.** Mrs. Fisher updated the Board on the Constitutional Amendments that will be on the ballot and shared information from the Secretary of State's office.

In other business, the Director shared information she had received regarding the Homeland Security Audit that will take place in the near future, as well as the voting site Americans with Disabilities Act Accessibility surveys that have been completed.

In the Director's Report Mrs. Fisher asked the Board what verbiage they would like to have on the signs that will be placed on the courthouse lawn for early voting. Mrs. Fisher shared information regarding a voter registration drive the office will be conducting at the Transylvania Vocational Services plant and a field trip the Election Center will be hosting for the Boys and Girls club seventh and eighth graders. Mrs. Fisher informed the Board that the County Administration building has been contacting groups that are using the parking lot on a regular basis and not conducting county business that the parking lot will be off limits during early voting.

The Chairman asked for board and public comment. Ms. Champion asked for an update about testing voting equipment in November. Mrs. Fisher and Mr. Storey explained that the holdup was with the state and the final certification status to be given in September. The late certification may not give the companies adequate time to prepare for testing during this election. Ms. Barnes informed the Board that the NAACP would begin voter registration efforts this weekend through the close of the registration books in October.


There was no further business for the Board's consideration. **Mr. McMinn made a motion for the meeting to be adjourned; seconded by Ms. Dashiell. The motion carried.** The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 AM. The next meeting of the Board is scheduled for Tuesday, October 16, 2018 at 5:00 AM for the Board to conduct regular business and consider absentee applications at the Board office, 150 South Gaston Street, Brevard.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Pam Dashiell, Secretary

  
Sara G. Champion, Vice Chairman

  
David P. Morrow, Chairman

  
Lee McMinn, Member

Approved by Board on: 10/4/18