TRANSYLVANIA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

ABSENTEE MEETING MINUTES October 22, 2019

The absentee meeting of the Transylvania County Board of Elections was called to order at 5 pm on Tuesday, October 22, 2019 at 150 South Gaston Street, Brevard, NC 28712 to conduct business.

Present

Board Members:

Sara Champion, Chair Lee McMinn, Secretary Pam Dashiell

David Morrow

Visitors: None

Staff:

Jeff Storey, Director

Laura Owen, Deputy Director Bria Bailey, Deputy Director

Approval and Review of Previous Minutes

Mr. Morow made a motion to approve the minutes from October 3, 2019 and October 10, 2019. Secretary McMinn seconded. The motion unanimously carried.

Resolution Concerning the Counting of Absentee Ballots

Director Storey presented a resolution to the board indicating the intent to count absentee ballots on Election Day at 2 pm and that results will not be released until close of polls. Chair Champion made a motion to approve the resolution as presented. The motion unanimously carried.

Review of absentee applications

Board members considered the attached list of absentee applications. Chair Champion made a motion to accept the 83 One Stop and 4 absentee by mail applications. The motion unanimously carried.

Review and approval of Precinct Official appointments

Pam Dashiell made a motion to approve the precinct official appointments as presented for Brevard #4, Boyd, and Rosman Eastatoe precincts. Secretary McMinn seconded. The motion unanimously carried.

DIRECTOR UPDATES

- Travel Policy and Board pay The board confirmed that hours spent at training conferences / travel will be based on the agenda schedule timeline. The director indicated some counties pay a flat rate for travel while others use total hours.
- Early Voting The director updated the board on the new processes with early voting and the transition to paper ballots. No major issues reported, and voter turnout has been light.
- OVRD Training The board was informed OVRD training has started and is going well.
 Feedback has been positive with the new procedures regarding curbside, poll books,
 Provisionals, and the ballot station.
- Upcoming Dates State Conference starts February 3, 2020 with travel and registration confirmed. The director indicated PrintElect will be available to provide a public demonstration on November 12, 2019 from 4 pm to 7 pm in the Election Center conference room. Sample Audit for the election will be 9 am on Friday, November 8, 2019.

Board and Public Comment

The board discussed logistics for Election Day. There were no further comments.

On a motion by Chair Champion, seconded by Pam Dashiell, the meeting was adjourned at 6:00 pm. The next scheduled meeting will be at 5 pm on October 29, 2019, at 150 South Gaston Street, Brevard, NC 28712.

Respectfully submitted,

Lee McMinn, Secretary

Sara G. Champion, Chair

David P. Morrow, Member

Pam Dashiell, Member

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Michael Wainwright, Member

Approved by Board on: 12-5-19