

TRANSYLVANIA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS
MEETING MINUTES
June 10, 2021

The scheduled meeting of the Transylvania County Board of Elections was called to order by Chair Champion at 1 pm on Thursday, June 10, 2021, at 150 South Gaston Street, Brevard, NC 28712.

Present

Board Members:

Staff Members:

Chair:	Sara Champion	Director:	Jeff Storey
Secretary:	Lee McMinn	Deputy Director:	Laura Owen
	David Morrow	Deputy Director:	Julie Dennis
	Michael Wainwright		
	Sandra Watson		

Visitors: Karen Brinson Bell, Larry Chapman, Pam Dashiell, Sam Edney, Ruth Harris, Karen Henderson, Trisha Hogan, Ladene Newton, Russell Newton, Kathy Morrow, Don Mozley, Lauren Weed, Jim Whitcomb

Review and Approval of Previous Minutes

The board was presented with the minutes from the previous meeting. **Sandy Watson made a motion to approve the board meeting minutes for May 13, 2021. The motion carried unanimously.**

DIRECTOR UPDATES

Director Storey asked State Board Executive Director Karen Brinson Bell to address the board with updates from Raleigh. Executive Director Brinson Bell provided the board with information on current legislative bills dealing with absentee by mail, public funding, and the timeline for municipal and primary elections.

Director Storey briefed the board with county updates. The director informed the board the State Board of Elections conference will be virtual starting August 2, 2021. The governor will appoint the county board chair and the State Board will appoint the remaining county board members on June 29. County boards will be sworn in on July 20, 2021. The director mentioned the new board will need to address the future of the East Fork precinct in a workshop to coincide with the next meeting.

Recognition of David P. Morrow

Director Storey informed the public that Mr. Morrow has elected not to seek another term with the Transylvania County Board of Elections. In recognition of 12 years of service with nearly 6 years as a board chair, North Carolina State Board Executive Director Karen Brinson Bell presented Mr. Morrow with a letter of appreciation signed by the executive director and the State Board Chairman Damon Circosta. Transylvania County Chair Sara Champion presented

Mr. Morrow with a frame commemorating the various boards during his tenure. The chair also thanked Mr. Morrow for his service and accomplishments while on the board.

BOARD COMMENTS

Board members Sara Champion, Lee McMinn, and Sandy Watson thanked Mr. Morrow for his contributions to the board and for serving with civility, respect, and fairness in all board activities.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Democratic Party Chair Sam Edney, Republican Party Chair Ruth Harris, and County Commissioner Larry Chapman made public comments thanking Mr. Morrow for his honesty, dedication, and service to the county.

On a motion by the chair, the meeting adjourned at 1:40 PM. The next scheduled meeting will be at noon on July 20, 2021, at 150 South Gaston Street, Brevard, NC 28712.

Respectfully submitted,



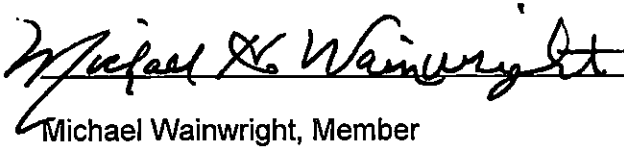
Lee McMinn, Secretary



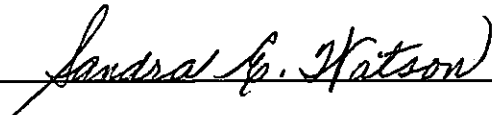
Sara G. Champion, Chair



David P. Morrow, Member



Michael Wainwright, Member



Sandra E. Watson, Member

Approved by Board on: 7/21/2021