TRANSYLVANIA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

ABSENTEE MEETING MINUTES April 19, 2022

The regular meeting of the Transylvania County Board of Elections was called to order by Chair Champion at 5 p.m. on Tuesday, April 19, 2022, 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		
	Sandra Watson	Deputy Director:	Julie Dennis		
	Wendy Warwick				
	Judith West				

Visitors: None

Review and Approval of Agenda

Chair Champion asked for a review of the agenda. There were no amendments to the agenda. Chair Champion made a motion to approve the agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

Review and Approval of Previous Minutes

The board was presented with the minutes from the previous meeting. Member Warwick made a motion to approve the board meeting minutes for April 12, 2022. The motion carried unanimously.

Review and Approval of Received Absentee Ballots

Deputy Director Owen reviewed the procedures and guidelines with the Board regarding the absentee by mail ballot return process. Deputy Director Owen presented the board with 9 CIV and 3 OVR absentee applications to consider and approve. Absentee envelopes were provided sequentially by how they appear on the CIV absentee list. Secretary McMinn (D) and Member Warwick (R) reviewed Page 1. Member West (D) and Member Watson (R) reviewed Page 2.

Secretary McMinn made the motion to approve page 1. The motion unanimously carried. Member Watson made the motion to approve page 2. The motion unanimously carried.

Approved: 9 CIV

3 OVR

Board Discussion of Proposed SBOE rules regarding voting system escrow materials

The Board discussed in length the proposed administrative rules regarding access to voting system escrow materials and voiced concerns on how that would be administered. The board provided questions to the director to obtain clarification prior to making any decision that could involve the board taking a position on the proposed rules.

DIRECTOR UPDATES

Director Storey indicated precinct training had gone well last week. Deputy Director Dennis started OVRD training classes that will run through the next two weeks. Deputy Director Owen will conduct two early voting training sessions next week. The director also mentioned the mock election went well and all logic and accuracy testing has been completed.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

On a motion by Chair Champion, the meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m. The next scheduled meeting will be at 5 p.m. on April 26, 2022, at 150 South Gaston Street, Brevard, NC 28712.

Respectfully submitted,

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	Lee McMinn, Secretary	
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Wendy Warwick, Member	Judith West, Member	
	Approved by Board on: 5-3-2022	