#### TRANSYLVANIA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

# ABSENTEE MEETING MINUTES October 4, 2022

The regular meeting of the Transylvania County Board of Elections was called to order by Chair Champion at 5 p.m. on Tuesday, October 4, 2022, at 150 South Gaston Street, Brevard, NC 28712.

. Present			
Board	Members:	Staff Members:	
Chair:	Sara Champion	Director:	Jeff Storey
	Lee McMinn	Deputy Director:	Laura Owen
	Sandy Watson	Deputy Director:	Julie Dennis
	Wendy Warwick		
	Judith West		

Visitors: . Sam Edney, Herschel Johnson, Virginia Pendergrass, Kathy Voltz

## Review and Approval of Agenda

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

## **Precinct Official Appointments**

Director Storey presented the board with recommendations from the local political parties for Election Day precinct officials. **Member Watson made a motion to approve the recommended precinct officials as presented for Brevard #1, Brevard #3, Boyd, Cathey's Creek, Cedar Mountain, Dunn's Rock, East Fork, Little River, Pisgah Forest, Rosman-Eastatoe, TC1, and TC7. The motion carried unanimously.** 

## Review and Approval of Received Absentee Ballots

Director Storey and 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 95 CIV and 7 OVR absentee applications to consider and approve. Absentee envelopes were provided sequentially by how they appear on the CIV absentee list. Member Watson (R) and Member West (R) reviewed 47 applications. Secretary McMinn (D) and Member Warwick (R) reviewed 48 applications. The board reviewed 7 OVR applications.

Member Watson made the motion to approve the executed absentee ballots. The motion carried unanimously.

Approved: 95 CIV 7 OVR

### **DIRECTOR UPDATES**

Director Storey asked the board to confirm charging for sample ballots that third parties request in large quantities. The board agreed. The board was asked to consider parking for early voting and agreed unanimously to allow tents in grassy areas, but not in the parking lot due to limited spaces. The director indicated training was going well and he had received positive feedback regarding Deputy Director Dennis' OVRD training classes. Director Storey informed the board precinct training will be split into three nights next week with five precincts each. Chief Judge training is scheduled for October 19.

#### **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 October 11, 2022, at 150 South Gaston Street, Brevard, NC 28712.

Respectfully submitted,