

TRANSYLVANIA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

ABSENTEE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

October 15, 2024

Chair Champion called the meeting of the Transylvania County Board of Elections to order at 3 p.m. on Tuesday, October 15, 2024, at 150 South Gaston Street, Brevard, NC 28712.

Attendance

Board Members:

Chair: Sara Champion
Secretary: Judith West
Sandra Watson
Wendy Warwick
Nona Walker

Staff Members:

Director: Jeff Storey
Deputy Director: Laura Owen
Deputy Director: Julie Dennis

Visitors: Kelly Gee, Herschel Johnson, Barb Jackson, Kathy Voltz

Review and Approval of Agenda

On a motion by Member Walker, the Board unanimously approved the agenda.

Review and Approval of Received Absentee Ballots

Deputy Director Owen presented the board with 125 civilian (CIV), 17 overseas (OVR) and 2 military (MIL) absentee applications to consider and approve. The board split into two teams to review the absentee ballot envelopes. Teams consisted of Member Warwick (R) and Member West (D) and Member Walker (D) and Member Watson (R). **Member Walker made a motion to approve 2 MIL executed absentee ballots. The motion carried unanimously. Member Watson made a motion to approve 17 OVR executed absentee ballots. The motion carried unanimously. 1 CIV ballot was spoiled. 1 CIV ballot was curable. Member Warwick made a motion to approve 123 CIV executed absentee ballots. The motion carried unanimously.**

Approved: 2 MIL, 17 OVR, 123 CIV

Disapproved: 1 CIV

Curable: 1 CIV

Resolution to move Cedar Mountain Election Day polling site

The director informed the Board the Cedar Mountain Community Center was flooded during the hurricane and would not be available for Election Day. The Family Life Center on 10811 Greenville Highway was offered as a one-time temporary polling site and was found to be ADA compliant. The location is only a half mile from the community center and signage would be placed at the old and new locations. **Member Watson made a motion to approve the**


resolution to temporarily move the Cedar Mountain precinct to the Family Life Center for the 2024 General Election. The motion unanimously carried.

DIRECTOR UPDATES

Director Storey provided the Board with logistical updates regarding early voting. Early voting training was completed today. Election Day chief judge training will be broken into two sessions on October 24 to accommodate early voting workers.

On a motion by Member West, the meeting adjourned at 5:10 p.m. The next scheduled meeting will be at 3 p.m. on October 22, 2024, at 150 South Gaston Street, Brevard, NC 28712.

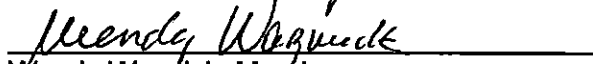
Respectfully submitted,



Judith West, Secretary



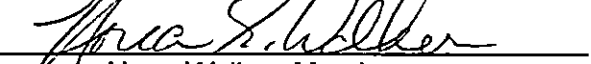
Sara G. Champion, Chair



Wendy Warwick, Member



Sandra E. Watson, Member



Nona Walker, Member

Approved by Board on: 1-9-2025