TRANSYLVANIA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

ABSENTEE BOARD MEETING MINUTES October 29, 2024

Chair Champion called the meeting of the Transylvania County Board of Elections to order at 3 p.m. on Tuesday, October 29, 2024, at 150 South Gaston Street, Brevard, NC 28712.

Attendance

Board Members:		Staff	Staff Members:	
Chair:	Sara Champion	Director:	Jeff Storey	
Secretary:	Judith West	Deputy Director:	Laura Owen	
	Sandra Watson	Deputy Director:	Julie Dennis	
	Wendy Warwick		·	
	Nona Walker			

Visitors: Kelly Gee, Barb Jackson, Herschel Johnson

Review and Approval of Agenda

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

Review and Approval of Received Absentee Ballots

Deputy Director Owen presented the board with 274 civilian (CIV), 15 overseas (OVR) and 6 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 6 MIL executed absentee ballots. The motion carried unanimously. Member Walker made a motion to approve 15 OVR executed absentee ballots. Member West made a motion to approve 274 CIV executed absentee ballots.

Approved:

6 MIL, 15 OVR, 274 CIV

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

Board meeting for November 1 to rescan EV-1

The Board unanimously approved a measure to meet on Friday, November 1, 2024 at 9 a.m. to rescan the voted ballots used in the EV-1 early voting machine that failed on October 24, 2024. The sealed ballots will be opened in the presence of the Board, rescanned with a high-speed scanner, resealed, and tabulated on Election Day.

DIRECTOR UPDATES

Director Storey updated the Board on signage for Election Day precincts and answered questions from the Board regarding Election Night results, canvass, and recounts.

On a motion by Chair Champion, the meeting adjourned at 5:12 p.m. The next scheduled meeting will be at 9 a.m. on November 1, 2024, at 150 South Gaston Street, Brevard, NC 28712.

Respectfully submitted,

Judith West, Secretary

Sara G. Champion, Chair

Sandra E. Watson, Member

Wendy Warwick, Member

Approved by Board on: 1-9-2025