

TRANSYLVANIA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

ABSENTEE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

November 4, 2024

Chair Champion called the meeting of the Transylvania County Board of Elections to order at 5 p.m. on Monday, November 4, 2024, at 150 South Gaston Street, Brevard, NC 28712.

Attendance

Board Members:

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

Staff Members:

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

Visitors: Kathleen Barnes, Barb Jackson, Herschel Johnson, Kathy Voltz

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 292 civilian (CIV), 33 overseas (OVR) and 9 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 Chair Champion (D) and Member Watson (R). **Member Warwick made a motion to approve 9 MIL executed absentee ballots. Member West made a motion to approve 32 OVR executed absentee ballots. Member Watson made a motion to approve 291 CIV executed absentee ballots. The motions carried 4-0.**

Approved: 9 MIL, 32 OVR, 291 CIV

Curable: 1 OVR, 1 CIV

PUBLIC COMMENTS : None

Election Day appointments

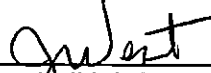
The director presented a replacement recommendation for the republican judge due to a health-related vacancy in Rosman Eastatoe. The assistant was already trained and agreed to fill the position. **On a motion by Member Warwick, Brad Lakeson was approved 4-0 as republican judge in the Rosman Eastatoe precinct.**

DIRECTOR UPDATES

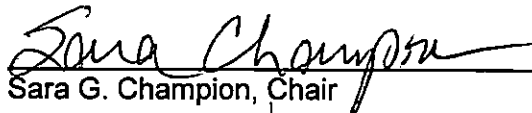
Deputy Director Owen provided the Board with the executed absentee lists to distribute to the Election Day precincts. Director Storey provided logistics updates for Election Day.

On a motion by Chair Champion, the meeting adjourned at 6:24 p.m. The next scheduled meeting will be at 5 p.m. on November 5, 2024, at 150 South Gaston Street, Brevard, NC 28712.

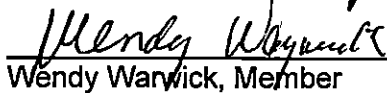
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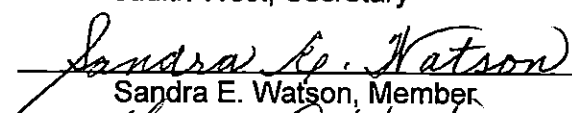
Judith West, Secretary



Sara G. Champion, Chair



Wendy Warwick, Member



Sandra E. Watson, Member



Nona Walker, Member

Approved by Board on: 1-9-2025