

**BUNCOMBE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS
MINUTES OF APRIL 5, 2016**

THE BUNCOMBE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS MET ON APRIL 5th, 2016 AT 5:30 PM 11:00 a.m. AT THE BOARD OF ELECTIONS OFFICE AT 77 MCDOWELL STREET, ASHEVILLE:

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Jay Watson, Chairman
George Keller, Member
Lucy Smith, Secretary

STAFF PRESENT:

Trena Parker, Director
John Noce
Jennifer Sparks
Joyce Kanavel
Neggy Foz

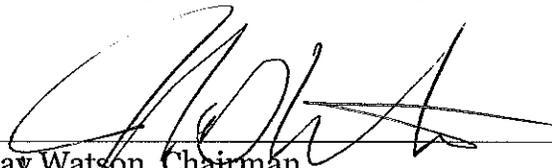
OTHERS PRESENT: Patsy Gardin, Jake Quinn

The staff reported that over 2000 absentee ballots will go out for the June Primary. There was some discussion regarding the early voting sites for June. Neggy Fox proposed the attached schedule. George Keller motioned that the plan be approved; and the motion passed unanimously.

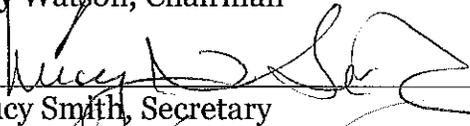
There was discussion regarding the recent Memorandum sent by Kim Strach, Executive Director of the State Board of Elections, which explains new staffing requirements as well as other items. Included was information that the State Board of Elections would not be approving reduction in hours for the November elections. Director Parker discussed needed additions to the budget as a result of this information. The board instructed the Director to request two additional permanent full-time positions, as well as any other funding needed.

John Noce provided the board with the meeting schedule for the June Primary.

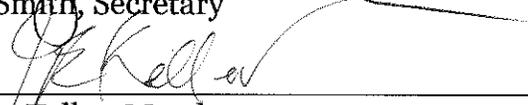
The meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m.



Jay Watson, Chairman



Lucy Smith, Secretary



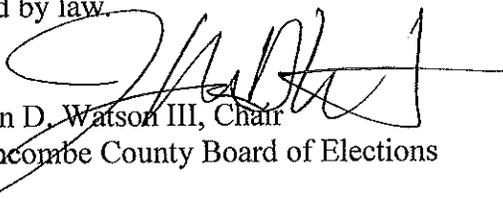
George Keller, Member

RESOLUTION FOR SETTING TIME AND PLACE
FOR THE PURPOSE OF COUNTING ABSENTEE BALLOTS
FOR THE JUNE 7, 2016 CONGRESSIONAL AND NC SUPREME COURT,
ASSOCIATE JUSTICE PRIMARY ELECTIONS

WHEREAS, North Carolina General Statutes Section 163-234(2) provides that the County Board of Elections is authorized to begin counting absentee ballots issued under Article 21A of Subchapter VII of GS 163 between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., and North Carolina General Statutes Section 163-234 provides that the County Board of Elections is authorized to begin counting absentee ballots between the hours of 2:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. on Election Day upon the adoption of a resolution wherein the hour and place of counting absentee ballots shall be stated:

Now, therefore, be it resolved, by the Buncombe County Board of Elections as follows:

1. That the Buncombe County Board of Elections shall meet and convene at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, June 7, 2016 in the Board Room at the Board of Elections Office, 77 McDowell Street, Asheville, North Carolina, for the purpose of counting UOCAVA absentee ballots, except those which may have been challenged according to law on election day.
2. That the Buncombe County Board of Elections shall meet and convene at 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 7, 2016 in the Board Room at the Board of Elections Office, McDowell Street, Asheville, North Carolina, for the purpose of counting absentee ballots, except those which may have been challenged according to law on election day.
3. That this resolution shall be effective upon its adoption.
4. That a copy of this resolution shall be published once a week for two weeks prior to the election as required by law.


John D. Watson III, Chair
Buncombe County Board of Elections