

BUNCOMBE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS
PROPOSED AGENDA for October 17, 2017
1:00 p.m.

- I. Welcome of Visitors
- II. Minutes
- III. Resolution to Count Absentees for November
- IV. Approval of Absentee Applications—John Noce
- V. Executive Session
- VI. Machine Testing for Early Voting/Alport Building

October 10, 2017
Friday

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Buncombe County Board of Elections

Meeting Minutes

October 17, 2017

Opening

The scheduled meeting of the Buncombe County Board of Elections was called to order at 5:30 pm on October 17, 2017 at 77 McDowell Street, Asheville, NC 28801.

Present

Board Members-

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

BOE Staff-

Trena Velez, Director
John Noce
Bria Bailey
Neggy Fox
Corinne Duncan
Bobby Johnston

Visitors-

(See Attached)

Item One – Welcome of the Visitors

Item Two – Approval of Minutes

- Member Keller motioned the minutes to be approved for October 10, 2017 and the Board was in unanimous agreement.
- Member Keller motioned the minutes to be approved as amended for October 16, 2017 and the Board was in unanimous agreement.

Item Three – Approval of Absentee Ballots

- Director Velez presented the November 7th, 2017 Resolution to Count Absentees to the Board for approval.
 - Member Keller motioned to adopt the Resolution for November 7th, 2017 and the Board was in unanimous agreement.
- Staff member Noce presented one (1) civilian ballot.
 - Noted requirement for two signatures or a notary.
 - The Board reviewed and signed the civilian absentee ballot.
- Mr. Noce presented one (1) overseas ballot.
 - Noted requirement for the signed affirmation form.
 - The Board reviewed and signed the one (1) overseas absentee ballot.

- Chairman Watson reminded staff and the visitors that while ballots are being duplicated, the room is to be silent to avoid confusion and assure accuracy.
- The duplication team duplicated the one (1) overseas ballot.
- Chairman Watson inquired whether all calls and marks were clearly heard and seen and the duplication team answered affirmatively.
- Member Keller moved to approve the civilian and overseas ballots presented, and the motion was approved unanimously.

Item Four – Executive Session

- Chairman Watson made a motion to move to executive session to discuss a criminal investigation and the board approved unanimously. 1:45 pm

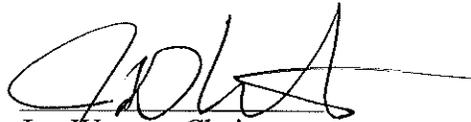
Item Five – Machine testing

- Chairman Watson announced that the board meeting would move to 46 Valley Street.
- The meeting resumed at 2:15 pm.
- The Board tested the six (6) DS200 machines and six (6) Automark machines for Early Voting.
- The machines tested were:
 - DS200
 - DS0315350273
 - DS0315350402
 - DS0315350081
 - DS0315350124
 - DS0315350084
 - DS0315350444
 - Automark
 - AM0208463839
 - AM0206462638
 - AM0206462228
 - AM0206442771
 - AM0206470129
 - AM0206463066

After successful testing, the meeting adjourned at 2:30 pm. The next meeting will be at 5:30 pm on October 24, 2017, at 77 McDowell Street, Asheville, NC 28801.

Minutes submitted by: Kevin J. Roberts

Approved by:



Jay Watson, Chairman



Lucy Smith, Secretary



George Keller, Member

RESOLUTION FOR SETTING TIME AND PLACE
FOR THE PURPOSE OF COUNTING ABSENTEE BALLOTS
FOR THE NOVEMBER 7, 2017 MUNICIPAL 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 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 7, 2017 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. The board will meet on Monday, November 13th at 5:30 p.m. for the purpose of counting the supplemental absentee ballots.
2. That this resolution shall be effective upon its adoption.
3. 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