# BUNCOMBE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS PROPOSED AGENDA for August 21, 2018 12:00 Noon

- I. Call to Order
- II. Welcome of Visitors
- III. Approval of Minutes
- IV. Consideration of election official submissions
- V. Approval of election season absentee meetings
- VI. Office update
- VII. Next meeting....

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# **Buncombe County Board of Elections**

Meeting Minutes August 21, 2018

### **Opening**

The scheduled meeting of the Buncombe County Board of Elections was called to order at 12:00 pm on August 21, 2018 at 77 McDowell Street, Asheville, NC 28801.

#### Present

Board Members-

**BOE Staff-**

Jay Watson, Chairman Lucy Smith, Vice-Chairman Stephen G. Duncan, Secretary Jake Quinn, Member

Trena Velez - Director John Noce Jennifer Sparks Neggy Fox

Visitors-

(See attached)

Item One - Welcome Visitors

## Item Two - Approval of minutes

 Member Quinn motioned to approve the minutes of July 17th, 2018. Chairman Smith seconded and the Board approved unanimously.

#### Item Three - Consideration of Election Official Submissions

- Staff member Noce presented a list of the precinct chair nominees. Staff member Noce explained that in cases with one nominee, the nominee was the automatic choice. In cases with two nominees, the choices were narrowed down to whether or not they are in precinct, and which nominee has more experience/past experience. In the case of a blank section on the list, either the person was out of precinct or there was no nomination for that precinct.
- For clarification, Secretary Duncan asked staff member Noce if this were a three-part process where the Board accepts the recommendation as presented, the Board would then vote on the items in question, lastly the Board would take the remaining blank precincts and give them to the two parties to go find more judges and John confirmed that was the process.
- Vice-chairman Smith motioned to accept the nominations as presented, Secretary Duncan seconded and the Board approved unanimously.

# Item Four- Approval of Election Season Absentee Meeting

- Staff member Noce presented a new schedule for the upcoming absentee season to the Board. Staff member Noce also mentioned one change to the schedu le that would change the October 16<sup>th</sup> meeting to 12:00 p.m.
- Member Quinn motioned to accept the meeting times as presented. Chairman Smith seconded and the Board approved unanimously.

## Item Five - Office Update

- Director Velez stated to the Board that the recruiting team has visited all the libraries to register voters and find election workers.
- Staff member Noce and staff member Fox have been on the radio to talk about recruiting Election Day and Early Voting workers.
- Member Quinn is setting up an Election Worker night at McCormick Field.
- Director Velez asked the visitors to ask the staff to come and talk to groups if they have any they would like us to educate.
- Director Velez stated herself and staff member Sparks will be having a meeting with Homeland Security on the 30<sup>th</sup> of August.
  - o Chairman Watson asked that the director have the Homeland Security member check out the new building being built.
- Director Velez stated that historical documents are being digitized for backup and will be an ongoing project.
- Director Velez stated the staff is working with IT communication team to promote the Early Voting plan and wait time app.

The meeting adjourned at 12:40 pm. The next meeting will be at 4:00 pm on October 4th, 2018, at 77 McDowell Street, Asheville, NC 28801.

Minutes submitted by:

Kevin J. Roberts

Approved by:

Lucy Smith, Vice-Chairman

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Stephen G. Dunçan, Secretary

Jake Quinn, Member