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....
July 19th Meeting

George Elm   406-261-5593
Patsy Gardin 828-424-7085

AUGUST 21st noon

Robert Jordan   828-299-4408
Jeff Rose        828-333-2595
Patsy Gardin    828-424-7085
George Elm      406-261-5593
Mary Steadwick  828-669-1088
Pete Sayer      919-302-0084

Phebe Watson  828-275-4415
Adrien Carson    828-254-5222
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-
Jay Watson, Chairman
Lucy Smith, Vice-Chairman
Stephen G. Duncan, Secretary
Jake Quinn, Member

BOE Staff-
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 schedule that would change the October 16th 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 30th of August.
  - 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: Jay Watson, Chairman

Lucy Smith, Vice-Chairman

Stephen G. Duncan, Secretary

Jake Quinn, Member