



BUNCOMBE COUNTY ELECTION SERVICES

BUNCOMBE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

Board Meeting Agenda

Tuesday February 11, 2020

5:00 pm

Welcome of Visitors

- I. Approval of Minutes
February 5th, 2020
- II. Absentee Meeting (G.S. 163A-1308 (f) / 163-230.1(c1)*)
- III. Office Updates
- IV. Public Machine Testing

* Old law G.S.163A now back to G.S.163

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Buncombe County Board of Elections

Meeting Minutes

February 11, 2020

Opening

The scheduled meeting of the Buncombe County Board of Elections was called to order at 5:00 pm on February 11, 2020 at 77 McDowell Street, Asheville, NC 28801.

Present

Board Members-

Jake Quinn, Chairman

Elizabeth Newman, Secretary

Jay Watson

Linda Block

Stephen G. Duncan

BOE Staff-

Corinne M. Duncan, Director

Kevin Roberts

Bobbie Johnston

John Noce

Mary Harrill

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Visitors-

(See attached)

Item One - Approval of Minutes

- Board member Watson moved to approve the minutes for January 5th and the Board unanimously approved.

Item Two – Absentee Ballot Meeting

- Staff member Noce presented a summary of the absentee process and reviewed the steps required to complete the approval process.
- Staff member Noce presented eighty-one (81) civilian ballots.
- Staff member Noce noted the requirement for two signatures or a notary.
- The Board reviewed and signed the eighty-one (81) civilian absentee ballots.
- The Board reviewed and signed the eight (8) overseas ballots and one (1) military ballot.
- Chairman Quinn reminded staff and visitors that while ballots are being duplicated, the room is to be silent to avoid confusion and assure accuracy.
- The duplication team duplicated eight (8) overseas ballots and one (1) military ballot. Chairman Quinn inquired whether all calls and marks were clearly heard and seen, and the duplication team answered affirmatively.
- Member Watson motioned to approve the eighty-one (81) civilian ballots and the Board approved the absentee ballots unanimously.
- Member Watson motioned to approve the one (1) military ballots and the Board approved the absentee ballots unanimously.

- Member Watson motioned to approve the eight (8) overseas ballots and the Board approved the absentee ballots unanimously.
- The Board signed the early voting/absentee pollbook.
- The Board signed the original and duplicate ballot polybags.
- The Board signed the results and audit log.

Item Three – Office Updates

- Director Duncan informed the Board that the staff finished setting up the last two early voting sites today.
- Director Duncan also informed the Board that Neil Baddour from the State Board visited to finalize acceptance testing for the ExpressVote machines.
- Director Duncan stated that the mock election, using the new reporting software, went smoothly.
- Director Duncan informed the Board that she has been meeting with Buncombe County IT who has been helping us on a few projects:
 - Election Day IT assistance.
 - Early Voting set up.
 - Pull data from computers at the end of Election Day.
 - Cyber Security.
- Director Duncan gave the Board a handout on 10 facts about election security in NC.
- Director Duncan stated there have been 443 people stop by the mall site in the last month.
- Director Duncan stated she has been working on the election budget and will present to the Board.
- Member Block inquired about how much the mall is costing the county.
 - Director Duncan explained that we needed to secure the site for the year to conduct early voting for both the primary and general elections at that site. Director Duncan also stated that due to space constraints at 77 McDowell Street this site serves as another location for staff to work and access the public.
- Board recessed at 6:00pm to travel to 50 Coxe Avenue and Asheville Mall for machine testing.

Item Four- Public Machine Testing

- Staff member Johnson explained that according to General Statute 163-33.2 the Board shall test voting machines, in a reasonable number of combinations, no less than ten percent (10%) of all voting machines programmed for each primary or election. Early voting for the municipal election 2019 requires two tabulators.
- The Board tested twelve (12) DS200 machine and five (5) ExpressVote machines.
 - The following machines were tested:


<u>DS200</u>	DS0315350299
DS0315350428	DS0315350304
DS0315350165	DS0315350463
DS0315350439	
DS0315350471	<u>ExpressVote</u>
DS0315350079	EV0219377420
DS0315350108	EV0219377419
DS0315350368	EV0219373912
DS0315350433	EV0219377774
DS0315350412	EV0219377542

- Results were accurate with no issues noted for both testing sessions (50 Coxe Ave and the Asheville Mall location).

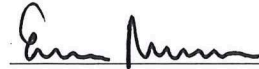
The meeting adjourned at 8:35 pm. The next meeting will be 5:00 pm on February 18, 2020, at 77 McDowell Street, Asheville, NC 28801.

Minutes submitted by: Kevin Roberts

Approved by:



Jake Quinn, Chairman




Elizabeth Newman, Secretary



Jay Watson, Member



Stephen G. Duncan, Member



Linda Block, Member