



BUNCOMBE COUNTY ELECTION SERVICES

BUNCOMBE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

Board Meeting Agenda

Tuesday March 17, 2020

5:00 pm

Welcome of Visitors

- I. Finalization of Early Voting Plan for 2nd Primary, May 12th
- II. Emergency Policy to Address COVID-19
- III. Office Updates

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Buncombe County Board of Elections

Meeting Minutes

March 17, 2020

Opening

The scheduled meeting of the Buncombe County Board of Elections was called to order at 5:00 pm on March 17, 2020, at 77 McDowell Street, Asheville, NC 28801.

Present

Board Members-

Jake Quinn, Chairman
Elizabeth Newman, Secretary [telephone]
Jay Watson
Stephen G. Duncan
Linda Block

BOE Staff-

Corinne M. Duncan, Director
Kevin Roberts
John Noce
Neggy Fox

Visitors-
none

Item One - Early Voting Plan for Second Primary

- Staff member Fox presented the statistics from the March 3rd primary.
 - Staff member Fox recommended to open 50 Coxe Avenue as the main office in-lieu-of site with the following hours:
 - Monday – Friday: Starting April 23rd open from 8 am - 5 pm both weeks
 - Saturday May 9th: Open from 8 am – 3 pm
- Member Watson moved to open the 50 Coxe Early Voting site starting April 23rd from 8 am – 6 pm Monday- Friday both weeks and open the last Saturday May 9th from 8 am – 3 pm for a total of 13 days. The Board approved unanimously.

Item Two – Establishing Emergency Plan

- Director Duncan presented the emergency preparation and planning which included:
 - Election Services is preparing to close the office to the public. The staff will install a lock box in the front vestibule for the public to drop of forms that are to be collected daily. The public may call if they have questions or would like to speak to a staff member.
 - The county manager has requested staff track purchases pertaining to the COVID-19 virus for refunding using federal Form-214.
- Member Duncan proposed we follow the County’s emergency plan and the Board convene if special circumstances arise, and the Board agreed.

- Staff member Roberts notified the Board of the concern that some precincts may not want to open due to COVID-19 virus.
 - Staff member Roberts stated calls and letters will be sent out to sites notifying them of the second primary election.
- Director Duncan notified the Board that 30-day sort and archive had started.

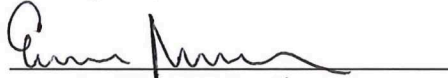
The meeting adjourned at 5:58 pm. The next meeting will be 5:00 pm on April 14, 2020, at 77 McDowell Street, Asheville, NC 28801.

Minutes submitted by Kevin Roberts

Approved by:



Jake Quinn, Chairman



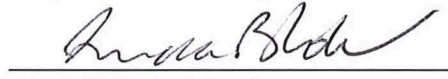
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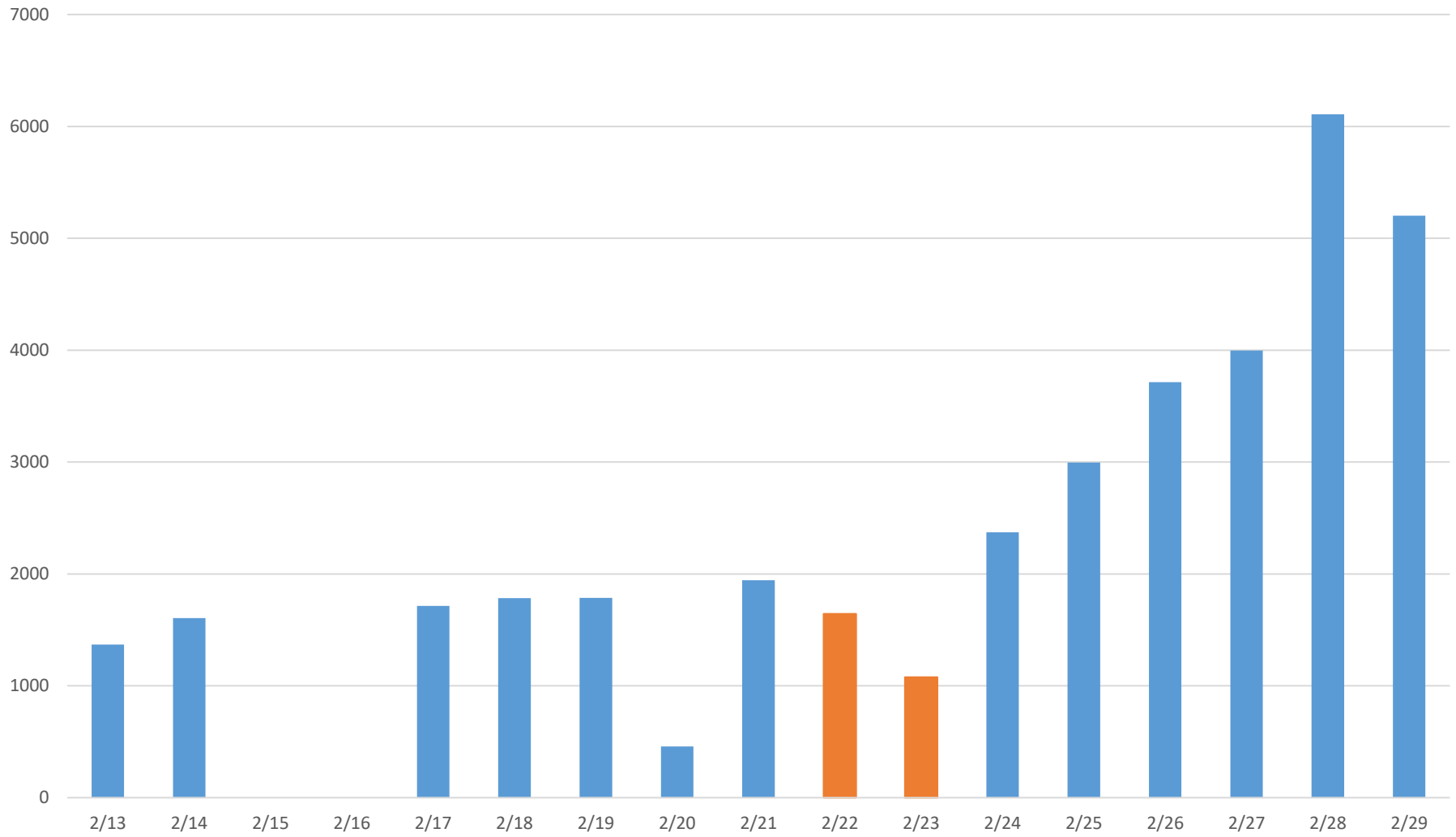
Early Voting

2020 March Primary (total turnout = 37,767)

Daily Voter Turnout

				Thursday 2/13	Friday 2/14	Saturday 2/15
				Daily Voters 1369	Daily Voters 1606	Closed
Sunday 2/16	Monday 2/17	Tuesday 2/18	Wednesday 2/19	Thursday 2/20	Friday 2/21	Saturday 2/22
Closed	Daily Voters 1713	Daily Voters 1784	Daily Voters 1785	Daily Voters 457 (closed early)	Daily Voters 1943	Daily Voters 1643
Sunday 2/23	Monday 2/24	Tuesday 2/25	Wednesday 2/26	Thursday 2/27	Friday 2/28	Saturday 2/29
Daily Voters 1077	Daily Voters 2372	Daily Voters 2996	Daily Voters 3714	Daily Voters 3997	Daily Voters 6109	Daily Voters 5202

Daily Turnout - 2020 March Primary



2nd Primary Comparison - June 7, 2016 Election (total turnout = 1,715)

Daily Voter Turnout:

				Thursday 5/26	Friday 5/27	Saturday 5/28
			Weekdays 10:00 am – 6:00 pm	Daily Voters 137	Daily Voters 157	Closed
Sunday 5/29	Monday 5/30	Tuesday 5/31	Wednesday 6/1	Thursday 6/2	Friday 6/3	Saturday 6/4
Closed	Closed	Daily Voters 194	Daily Voters 222	Daily Voters 321	Daily Voters 388	Daily Voters 296

One downtown early voting site opened at the Buncombe County Administrative Building (200 College St, Asheville 28801)

