

DAVIDSON COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

July 18, 2023

The Davidson County Board of Elections met on Tuesday, July 18, 2023 at 12:00 p.m. in the Board of Elections office located at 945 N. Main Street, Suite A, Lexington, North Carolina 27292.

Mr. Cunningham called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m. with the following members present: Belinda Clark, Kathy Hunt, and Richard Johnson. Board Member Chad Freeman was absent. Director Andrew Richards and Deputy Director Adam Moore were present along with Davidson County Clerk Debbie Harris. Five visitors were also present.

Mr. Cunningham acknowledged Davidson County Clerk Debbie Harris to administer the oath of office to the present board members.

Mr. Cunningham opened the floor for nominations for the position of Secretary of the Davidson County Board of Elections. Ms. Hunt nominated Board Member Belinda Clark and was seconded by Mr. Johnson. Ms. Clark was elected Secretary of the Davidson County Board of Election by unanimous vote.

Director Andrew Richards presented the Board with two recommendations for Polling Place Changes. Precinct 76 – Thomasville #10 was proposed to be moved to Fairgrove United Methodist Church at 138 Fairgrove Church Rd, Thomasville, NC 27360. Precinct 80A – Wallburg was proposed to be moved to Shady Grove United Methodist Church at 167 Shady Grove Church Rd, Winston-Salem, NC 27107. Director Richards and Deputy Director Moore explained that the current locations for both precincts are fire departments that are experiencing an increased number of calls along with having inadequate parking for voters. Ms. Clark made a motion to accept the proposed Polling Place Changes and was seconded by Ms. Hunt. It was unanimously approved.

Director Andrew Richards presented the Board with a revised Duties of the Director of Elections document that includes the authority for the Director to check and approve petitions regarding candidates, parties, referendums, etc. Additionally, authority for the Director to sign and approve petitions once checked and approved to the North Carolina State Board of Elections, the petitioner, and copies for record at the Davidson County Board of Elections. Ms. Clark made a motion to approve the revised Duties of the Director of Elections and was seconded by Mr. Johnson. It was unanimously approved.

Director Andrew Richards presented the Board with a listing of Meeting Dates & Times relevant to the board through the end of the calendar year. Mr. Johnson made a motion to approve the Meeting Dates & Times as presented and was seconded by Ms. Hunt. It was unanimously approved.

Mr. Cunningham announced that discussion and a vote on Early Voting Schedules for the October 10, 2023 High Point Primary Election and the November 7, 2023 Municipal Elections could not take place since all five members of the board were not present.

At 12:25 p.m., Mr. Johnson made a motion to recess this meeting of the Davidson County Board of Elections until Wednesday, July 19, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. at the Davidson County Board of Elections Office. The motion was seconded by Ms. Clark and unanimously approved.

At 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, July 19, 2023, Mr. Cunningham reconvened the meeting with the following members present: Belinda Clark, Secretary, Board Members Kathy Hunt, Richard Johnson, and Chad Freeman.

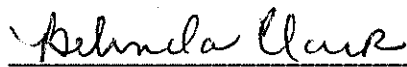
Mr. Cunningham, under his authority in the role of Chairman of the Davidson County Board of Elections, administered the oath of office for Board Member Chad Freeman.

Director Andrew Richards presented the Board with a proposed One-Stop Early Voting Schedule for the October 10, 2023 High Point Primary Elections. The proposal was to open the Davidson County Board of Elections Office Monday to Friday from September 21 – October 6, 2023 at 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and on Saturday October 7, 2023 from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Mr. Freeman made a motion to approve the proposed One-Stop Early Voting Schedule for the October 10, 2023 High Point Primary Election and was seconded by Ms. Clark. It was unanimously approved.

Director Andrew Richards presented the Board with a proposed One-Stop Early Voting Schedule for the November 7, 2023 Municipal Elections. The proposal was to open the Davidson County Board of Elections Office Monday to Friday from October 19 – November 3, 2023 at 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. and on Saturday November 4, 2023 from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Additionally, the Thomasville Library would be open Monday to Friday from October 19 – November 3, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and Saturday November 4, 2023 from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Mr. Freeman made a motion to approve the One-Stop Early Voting Plans for the November 7, 2023 Municipal Elections as presented and was seconded by Ms. Clark. It was unanimously approved.

Mr. Freeman made a motion to adjourn at 5:08 p.m. and was seconded by Ms. Clark. It was unanimously approved and the Board adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,


Belinda Clark, Secretary

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