

DAVIDSON COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

NOVEMBER 5, 2021

The Davidson County Board of Elections met on Friday, November 5, 2021 at 6:00pm in the Board of Elections office at 945 N Main Street, Suite A, Lexington, North Carolina 27292.

Mr. Cunningham called the meeting to order with the following members present: Belinda Clark (via phone call), Secretary, Chad Freeman, Richard Johnson, and Kathy Wall Board Members. Andrew Richards, Deputy Director was also present along with five visitors.

Mr. Richards told the board the purpose of this meeting is to conduct the supplemental count of the outstanding Absentee, Provisional, and Curbside Ballots for the November Municipal Election.

Mr. Richards presented the board with one Absentee Ballot that was returned to the office after Election Day. Mr. Richards explained that the ballot return envelope did not have a postage date and would have to be denied due to be after the deadline. Mr. Freeman made the motion to deny the one Absentee Ballot due to being returned after the deadline and seconded by Mr. Johnson and it was unanimously approved.

Mr. Richards presented the board with 11 Provisional Ballots for their consideration. Mr. Richards provided the board with research that was conducted by the staff on each provisional that was presented. Ms. Wall made the motion to deny 10 provisional ballots based on the research that was conducted by the staff seconded by Mr. Freeman and it was unanimously approved.

Mr. Freeman made the motion to accept one provisional ballot to be counted based upon research that the staff had conducted and seconded by Ms. Wall and it was unanimously approved.

Mr. Richards presented 88 curbside ballots that would need to be counted. Ms. Wall asked if the curbside ballots could be counted at the One-Stop and Election Day precinct sites. Mr. Richards explained that the state recommends that we do have the curbside ballots counted at the precinct level but due to new equipment installation and new Covid-19 measures the former board thought it would be best to continue to count the curbside ballots at the supplemental meeting. Mr. Richards said that he would like to make the change and count the curbside ballots at the precinct site as it would make reconciliation and the supplemental meeting a smoother and quicker process. Mr. Freeman made the motion to authorize the One-Stop and Election Day judges count the curbside at the precinct level by placing them in the DS200 so they can be counted on the Election Night results, and seconded by Mr. Johnson, and it was unanimously approved.

Mr. Freeman made the motion to move to close session for personnel matters, and seconded by Mr. Johnson, and unanimously approved.

The board returned to open session by a motion by Mr. Freeman and seconded by Ms. Wall and unanimously approved.

The board then conducted the supplemental count of Provisional and Curbside ballots that were approved.

Mr. Freeman made the motion to the adjourn the meeting and seconded by Mr. Johnson and unanimously approved.

Belinda Clark Belinda Clark, Secretary

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