

ROCKINGHAM COUNTY

BOARD OF ELECTIONS

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

April 17, 2018 – 3:00 PM Regular Meeting

The Rockingham County Board of Elections met Tuesday, April 17, 2018, at 3:00 pm in the Board of Elections Board Room.

Board Members Present: Royce Richardson, Chair; Toni Reece, Vice-Chair; Bonnie Purgason, Secretary; and Jeff Parris, Member

Staff Members Present: Tina Cardwell, Director; and Keli Watkins, Senior Deputy Director

Other Persons Present: None

ITEM #1 - MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

The Board meeting was called to order at 3:00 pm by Chair Richardson.

ITEM #2 - APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Vice-Chair Reece made the motion, seconded by Secretary Purgason, and the vote was unanimous to approve the Agenda for this meeting.

ITEM #3 - APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Vice-Chair Reece made the motion, seconded by Chair Richardson, and the vote was unanimous to approve the minutes of the March 20th Regular Meeting as presented.

Vice-Chair Reece made the motion, seconded by Chair Richardson, and the vote was unanimous to approve the minutes of the March 28th Preliminary Hearing as presented.

Secretary Purgason made the motion, seconded by Member Parris, and the vote was unanimous to approve the minutes of the April 2nd Swearing In Meeting as presented.

Secretary Purgason made the motion, seconded by Vice-Chair Reece, and the vote was unanimous to approve the minutes of the April 2nd Called Meeting as presented.

ITEM #4 - PUBLIC COMMENTS

No member of the public signed up to speak.



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ITEM #5 - CANDIDATE CHALLENGE UPDATE

Vice-Chair Reece gave an update on the Candidate Challenge Panel, which met on April 13th. The State Board is scheduled to meet on April 24th to appoint two (2) more members making the panel total five (5).

ITEM #6 - 2018 PRIMARY ELECTION UPDATE

- a. Absentee by Mail are low.
- b. Elections Officials training ended today at Noon.
- c. One Stop (Early) Voting begins Thursday in Wentworth. All locations are well staffed. Director Cardwell informed the Board that Early Voting Schedules were emailed to Board Members, County Directors, and her Public Awareness email list. Citizens may Same Day Register and Vote at any One Stop (Early) Voting Site.
- d. Election Day Precincts are staffed. Ballots have been received, inventoried and packed for Election Day. One Stop and Precinct Supplies are ready to be delivered. Director Cardwell provided information to the Board regarding Ballot styles.

ITEM #7 - NEW BUSINESS

Director Cardwell informed the Board that the Green Party is now a recognized political party in North Carolina.

Chair Richardson requested that Election Day Precincts should be divided between Board members. Director Cardwell provided to the Board copies of Election Day Precincts lists for review. The Board divided the Election Day Precincts as follows:

Chair Richardson – Hogans, Huntsville, Matrimony, Western

Vice-Chair Reece – Draper, Eden – 1, Eden Central, Leaksville – 2

Secretary Purgason - McMoy, Moss Street, Rock Central, Southeast

Member Parris – Ironworks, Lincoln, New Bethel

ITEM #8 – ADJOURNMENT

Vice-Chair Reece made the motion, Member Parris seconded, and the vote was unanimous to adjourn this meeting at 3:30 pm.

Next meeting is set for April 17, 2018 at 3:30 pm – Absentee Meeting



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Respectfully Submitted,		
Tina Cardwell, Director	Royce Richardson, Chair	