

**BOARD MEETING MINUTES
NOVEMBER 2, 2021 – 5:00 PM
ABSENTEE MEETING**

The Rockingham County Board of Elections met Wednesday, November 2, 2021 at 5:00 pm at the Board of Elections Office, 240 Cherokee Camp Road, Reidsville.

Board Members Present: Ophelia Wright, Chair; Tom Schoolfield, Secretary; Nelson Cole, Member; Thurman Hampton, Member; and Sarah Totten, Member.

Staff Members Present: Paula Seamster, Director and Kathy Clark, Senior Deputy Director.

ITEM #1 – MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

The Board meeting was called to order at 5:00 pm by Chair Wright.

Chair Wright welcomed the Board members and those that were viewing the meeting from their homes.

ITEM #2 – APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Member Cole moved, seconded by Member Hampton to approve the agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

ITEM #3 – ABSENTEES

The Board began to review the 1 absentee ballot that had been received into the office, date stamped when received, and the ballot envelope reviewed by staff to make sure the requirements were met for eligibility. Once the Board reviewed the envelopes, Chair Wright opened the envelopes. Member Schoolfield inserted the absentee ballots in the DS-200 voting machine.

Member Totten moved, seconded by Secretary Schoolfield to approve the 5 absentee ballots that were received. The motion carried unanimously.

The DS-200 voting machine was closed out and the tape was run for absentee ballots and the DS-200 One Stop (Early) Voting machine was closed out and the tape was run. Absentee Abstract form was prepared for the North Carolina State Board of Elections and signed by the Rockingham County Board of Elections.

Member Schoolfield asked what would happen if another absentee ballot was received. The Director responded that there were two more meetings for absentee ballots to be review on Friday, November 5, 2021 and Monday, November 8, 2021 however the absentee ballots must be postmarked November 2, 2021.

ITEM #4 – ADJOURNMENT

At 5:08 p.m. **Member Hampton, seconded by Member Cole to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously.**

Respectfully submitted,

Paula P. Seamster, Director

Ophelia Wright, Chair