

CABARRUS COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

Meeting Date: July 18, 2023

Meeting Time: 12:00 pm

Meeting Place: Cabarrus County Board of Elections

Members Present: Martin Ericson -----Chairman

Jay White -----Secretary

Joanna Dudley-----Member

Avis Edmond -----Member

Sophia Wilkerson ----Member

Also present: Carol Soles ----- Director

Leslie Kelly-----League of Women Voters

Leonard Jarvis -----NAACP

The Organizational meeting of the Board was called to order by the Chairman, Martin Ericson.

Wilkerson made a motion to approve the agenda. The Board approved unanimously.

Dudley made a motion to approve the minutes. The Board approved unanimously.

Soles informed the Board about current projects. The cookbook is at the printers. Lisa and Travis will visit with the Chief Judge, Dan Hill to do the ADA check and discuss layout at 02-01 Rock Hill AME Zion Church. The request for change in polling place will then be sent to the SBOE for their approval. We were notified of a potential storage space under the brewery across the breezeway. It is \$1,000 per month for 2300 square feet. Soles only concern is the lack of HVAC since we would like to store our BOD printers there. The owner is looking into adding HVAC. Still need a CJ for 02-02 Furr Elementary. We have reached out to current Chief Judges and Judges but have had no luck.

Pursuant to North Carolina election laws, the main purpose of this meeting is to elect officers for the newly appointed members of the Cabarrus County Board of Elections and issue the oath to the newly appointed Board. The five appointed 2023-2025 Board Members, Martin Ericson, Jay White, Sophia Wilkerson, Joanna Dudley and Avis Edmond were duly sworn by William W. Baggs, Clerk of Superior Court.

Martin Ericson, Chairman of the Board, asked for nominations for the Secretary. Dudley nominated Jay White as Board Secretary. The Board approved unanimously.

White made a motion to temporarily transfer voters from 01-02 precinct. 8 Midland voters will be transferred to Precinct 10-00 and 200 Harrisburg voters will be transferred to Precinct 01-04 just for the November 7, 2023 election. The Board approved unanimously.

Wilkerson made a motion to hold the mandatory Tuesday, Aug. 22 meeting at 1:30 pm.

There was discussion and agreement to continue to hold monthly meetings the second and fourth Mondays of each month at 12:30 in the Board office if there was business to conduct.

A motion was made by Dudley to approve the Director's duties as attached. The Board approved unanimously.

Ericson made a motion to change the time of the next meeting on July 24 to from 12:30 to 5:30 in order to allow public input on the One Stop plan.

Soles provided the Board with the One Stop resolution adopted in 2014 regarding campaigning at the BOE office. She also informed the Board that she had spoken with Colonel Wallace regarding holding early voting in 2024 at the National Guard in Harrisburg. The Board then discussed the early voting plan for the municipal election.

Soles provided the Board with the tentative agenda for the upcoming SBOE conference on August 14-15 at Embassy Suites in Concord.

The Board discussed their policies and the potential changing of them in light of the new election laws that may be passed.

The Board also discussed the letter sent by the NCABE to the legislature regarding the recent election bills. White will draft a letter for discussion by the Board.

There being no further business to come before the Board, White made a motion to adjourn at 1:37 pm. The Board approved unanimously.

The next scheduled meeting will be on Monday, July 24, 2023 at 5:30 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jay White, Secretary