

CABARRUS COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

Meeting Date: January 30, 2024

Meeting Time: 5:00 pm

Meeting Place: Cabarrus County Board of Elections

Members Present: Martin Ericson -----Chairman

Sophia Wilkerson -----Member

Jay White -----Secretary

Joanna Dudley -----Member

Avis Edmond-----Member

Also present: Carol Link Soles -----Director

Jessi Casey -----Absentee Coordinator

Lesley Kelly -----League of Women Voters

Martin Ericson, Chairman, called the meeting of the Board of Elections to order.

The meeting was properly noticed and a quorum was present.

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

Wilkerson made a motion to approve the January 8, 2024 minutes as presented. The Board approved unanimously.

Wilkerson made a motion to approve the attached absentee ballot applications. The Board approved unanimously. The Board duplicated 1 MIL and 6 OVR of the attached absentees by following the procedures and security outlined in procedures for counting electronically transmitted ballots which the Board adopted. 15 CIV ballots were read into the DS850. The total ballot count for mailed in Absentees to date is 22.

White made a motion to approve the attached FY2025 budget. The Board approved unanimously.

Soles informed the Board of a Statewide tabletop exercise that took place last week with all county Boards of Elections and Emergency Management. There is an elections security grant in the amount of \$12,500 that we will utilize to purchase additional USBs for the back of our DS200s. This was allow a redundancy in the results to be accessed if there is an emergency

Soles also informed the Board of individual meetings that were held with each Chief Judge to discuss needs for the 2024 elections. They were consulted on layouts, both external and internal, of their precincts to aid in determining areas for campaigners.

Soles informed the Board of a meeting at Northeast Fire Station. They are wanting to move voting from the community room to the bay beginning in November 2024.

Since there was no other business to come before the board, White made a motion to adjourn at 5:56 p.m. The Board approved unanimously.

The next scheduled meeting will be on Tuesday, Feb. 6 at 5:00.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jay White, Secretary