



**FORSYTH COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS**

**Board Meeting**

**Agenda**

**November 18, 2022 – 11:00 a.m.**

1. Meeting Called to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Moment of Silence
4. Public Comments
5. Board Challenges of Absentee Voters
6. Report on Hand-to-Eye Audit
7. Report on Audit and Reconciliation
8. Certification of the 2022 General Election
9. Other Business
10. Closed Session (if necessary)
11. Canvass Adjournment

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**Meeting Minutes**  
**November 18, 2022 – 11:00 a.m.**

**Meeting Called to Order**

A meeting of the Forsyth County Board of Elections was called to order in the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor Board Room on Friday, November 18, 2022, at 11.07 a.m., Chairperson Robert Durrah, Jr. presiding.

**Board Members in attendance:** Chairperson Robert Durrah, Jr., Secretary Catherine Jourdan, Member Chad Doomy, Member Alfred Harvey, Member Adam Draper

**Staff Members in attendance:** Director Tim Tsujii, Deputy Director Michelle Bobadilla, Tricia Starkey, Adam Clark

**Pledge of Allegiance**

Chairperson Robert Durrah led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Moment of Silence**

Chairperson Robert Durrah led a moment of silence.

**Public Comments**

Chairperson Robert Durrah called for public comments, providing two minutes per speaker:

Jean Alsup, 940 Kenleigh Circle, Winston-Salem, NC 27106

Secretary Jourdan moved to close public comments; Member Harvey seconded. **Motion carried unanimously.**

**Board Challenges of Absentee Voters**

Mr. Jay Tomes signed a witness affidavit and was sworn/affirmed under oath by Chairman Durrah. Mr. Tomes' son is currently out of the country in Scotland. He went to a One-Stop Early Voting location where he attempted to vote for his son. The poll-worker was unable to find the correct voter information and Mr. Tomes become upset and left the voting location. He then returned about 15 minutes later and the Site Lead at the location was able to find the voter registration information that Mr. Tomes stated. The Site Lead and pollworker noticed that the DOB showing for the voter listed did not match the person voting. The Site Lead submitted a challenge to the Forsyth County Board of Elections office.

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Per Mr. Tomes, his son is currently in Scotland and he wanted to vote but was concerned that his vote would not count if voting absentee by mail. Mr. Tomes went to vote in his son's place since no voter ID is required. He said he was not aware that people could vote from another country/location. Mr. Tomes affirmed that he had previously worked as an Election Day Chief Judge and was familiar with the Authorization to Vote document. Member Doomy moved to sustain the voter challenge; Member Harvey seconded. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Karen Grigsby (not in attendance) submitted an absentee ballot request form for a Forsyth County address, and then submitted a voter registration form for Mecklenburg County. Director Tsujii informed Karen to vote in Mecklenburg County and the ballot for this county would be discounted. No illegality concerning her vote; she did not vote twice. Member Draper moved to sustain voter challenge; Member Harvey seconded. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Dennard Jackson passed away after mailing in her absentee ballot; the spouse notified Forsyth Board of Elections Office that she was deceased. Member Doomy moved to sustain the voter challenge; Secretary Jourdan seconded. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Mr. James Milo Campbell and Mrs. Lillian Miller (not in attendance) voted curbside in Clemmons and their daughter assisted with helping them vote. She thought that as their Power of Attorney she could signed their Authorization to Vote. Mrs. Miller has a different address as she has been moved to an assisted living facility. They were given the option to go back to the Clemmons Library early voting site and vote provisionally. The daughter was unable to take the parents back to vote. Member Doomy moved to sustain the voter challenges; Member Harvey seconded. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Tiffany Marie Monier (not in attendance) requested an absentee ballot and then registered to vote in Davidson County after moving. Her absentee ballot request was not processed and the voter was notified that she should vote in Davidson County. Member Doomy moved to sustain the voter challenge; Member Harvey seconded. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Joshua Matthew Morrison (not in attendance) both submitted his absentee ballot and voted at a One-Stop Early Voting location on the same day. Member Doomy moved to sustain the voter challenge; Member Harvey seconded. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Raymond Dicker Spangler (not in attendance) both voted at a One-Stop Early Voting location and submitted an absentee ballot. Member Doomy moved to sustain the voter challenge; Member Draper seconded. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Mr. Thomas Dudas (not in attendance) voted both at a One-Stop Early Voting location and submitted an absentee ballot. Member Draper moved to sustain voter challenge; Secretary Jourdan seconded. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Katherine Rodgers voted an absentee ballot, and her husband notified the Board of Elections Office that she had passed before election day. Member Doomy respectfully motioned to sustain the voter challenge; Secretary Jourdan seconded. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Mark Hartsell (not in attendance) accidentally voted under his father's record who has the same name and address. The father ended up voting a provisional ballot. The son was not registered to vote when he voted on his father's ballot; the son completed a provisional application in order to have an active voter registration. Secretary Jourdan moved to sustain the voter challenge; Member Harvey seconded. **Motion carried unanimously.**

### **Report on Hand-to-Eye-Audit**

Deputy Director Bobadilla presented to the Board that a multi-partisan team performed the hand-to-eye on Friday, November 11, 2022. The State Board of Elections randomly selected Election Day precinct 902 - Brunson Elementary School and precinct 906 - Mount Tabor High School for the audit. Mrs. Bobadilla explained that the sample audit count is required by statute and helps ensure the reliability of election results tabulated by a machine. The audit is a comparison of the machine counts with hand-to-eye counts completed as a test to ensure voting equipment read the voter's choices accurately. Mrs. Bobadilla reported that no discrepancies were found. Member Doomy moved to accept the hand-to-eye audit; Member Harvey seconded. **Motion carried unanimously.**

### **Report on Audit and Reconciliation**

Mr. Clark presented to the Board the Vote Audit and Reconciliation Report which shows a 0.001% discrepancy total.

### **Board Recess:**

Chairperson Durrah called for the Board to recess at 1:09 p.m.

### **Board Reconvene:**

Chairperson Durrah called for the Board to reconvene at 1:39 p.m.

### **Certification of the 2022 General Election**

Director Tsujii presented to the Board that there was no additional information to report regarding the certification of the 2022 general election results. Member Doomy moved to

certify the November 8, 2022, General Election; Member Harvey seconded. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Board Members signed the Abstract Cover Sheet.

Board Members signed the Results Report by Contest.

Board Members signed Results Report by Precinct.

### **Other Business**

Board discussion regarding Mr. Tomes voting in place of his son during One-Stop Early Voting. Member Doomy moved to make a formal complaint to the NC State Board of Elections Investigation Unit regarding Mr. Tomes' vote; Member Harvey seconded. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Member Doomy moved to forward the voter challenge information regarding Mr. Tomes voting in place of his son to the Forsyth County District Attorney's office; Member Harvey seconded. **Motion carried 3-2; with Secretary Jourdan and Member Draper opposed.**

Copy of Voter Protest received by Director Tsujii and within three business days a preliminary hearing to be conducted.

### **Closed Session and Adjournment**

Member Doomy moved to go into closed session pursuant to G.S. 143-318.11(a)(6) and immediately adjourn upon the completion of the closed session; Member Harvey seconded. **Motion carried unanimously.** Meeting adjourned at 4:47 p.m.

Approved:

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s:/Robert Durrah, Jr.

Chairperson

s:/Catherine Jourdan

Secretary

s:/Alfred Harvey

Member

s:/Adam Draper

Member