

MATHEWS COUNTY ELECTORAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES

JUNE 24, 2020

The meeting was held in the EB office and called to order at 9:00 am. In attendance were Jeff Bohn, Ted Broderson, Josie Thorpe, and Carla Faulkner, Director of Election. The primary purpose of the meeting was to canvass the June 23 primary election.

At 9:03, Bohn moved & Thorpe seconded entering a closed session to review provisional ballots.

At 9:30 the closed session was adjourned and the public meeting was re-opened.

Bohn motioned and Thorpe seconded accepting three provisional ballots. Motion passes 3-0.

The Board then examined and prepared for the filing and delivering of the election results.

The Board then discussed matters related to the November Presidential election.

Although the COVID precautions and practices seemed satisfactory, numbers for the Presidential election are expected to be very large and COVID practices and procedures will have to be reviewed and revised prior to November. The Board decided to wait until more certainty (regarding COVID) before doing so. When state guidance is made available, the Board will meet and review Election Day procedures and supplies.

No-excuse early voting will be implemented statewide for the November election. The first day for such voting will be September 18. Early voting will take place in the GR's office. The highly-successful "walk-up" voting window will again be used.

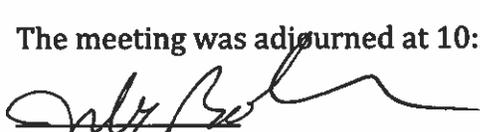
GR Faulkner will publicize early voting and urge voters to use this option. She also expects a rise in election-day curbside voting due to COVID.

Also discussed was the new policy not requiring a photo ID to vote. This change is also going into effect for the November election. There is a real need to notify the public regarding what exactly will constitute a "valid" ID. Besides using the newspapers, the EB may reach out to the county Party leaders to help disseminate this information. The Board may also mail info to all county churches and urge them to pass the info on to their members.

Without adequate dissemination of this information and considering the high expected voter turnout, confusion may ^{cause} really back-up lines and slow voting.

Mandatory training for Board members will be on-line this year due to the COVID situation. Training is set for July 20 and 21. All members have received a training schedule.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:28.


Jeffrey Bohn, Secretary


Edwin 'Ted' Broderson, Vice Chairman


Josephine Thorpe, Chairman