

October 1, 2020

The Cumberland County Board of Elections met at the Board of Elections Office for a 9:00AM Absentee Meeting.

Present: Floyd Johnson, Chairman
Irene Grimes, Member
Terri Robertson, Director
Linda Devore, Secretary
Helen Nelson, Member

Staff: Bill Helms

Guests: Live-feed available for members of the public.

Chairman Floyd Johnson called the meeting to Order at 9:00AM, and presented the Agenda.

ACTION: Member Grimes moved to approve the agenda as presented.
Seconded and approved unanimously.

Director Robertson reported that we tentatively have 1330 Civilian Absentee Ballots, 62 Military Absentee Ballots, and 23 Overseas Absentee Ballots that have been reviewed by staff and recommended for approval.

ACTION: Member Grimes moved that we authorize staff to open the 1330 Civilian, 62 Military, and 23 Overseas Absentee Ballot envelopes presented for approval, and proceed with any needed duplication of ballots.
Seconded and passed unanimously.

Board Members randomly selected Absentee Ballots envelopes to spot check to confirm the voter and witness signatures and witness information. One ballot envelope was found to be deficient, and referred to staff for a cure process.

Director Robertson confirmed that the ballot tabulator currently shows 6793 votes. Staff and assistants began opening ballot return envelopes, and placing them in the tabulator. Board Members duplicated military and overseas ballots, and those damaged or unreadable by the tabulator.

Chairman Johnson recessed the meeting at 12:15PM for lunch, and called the meeting back to order at 1:00PM.

Member Nelson did not return to the meeting after recess.

One Overseas ballot was discovered to be cut off at the bottom, so not every vote was displayed. The voter will be contacted and offered a new ballot.

One Absentee Ballot envelope contained a spoiled ballot with a request for a new ballot. A new ballot will be mailed to the voter.

All other Absentee Ballots recommended for approval were opened and fed into the tabulator. 1328 Civilian Ballots, 62 Military Ballots, and 22 Overseas Ballots were tabulated, for a total of 1412 Absentee Ballots.

ACTION: Secretary Devore moved to approve 1328 Civilian Absentee Ballots recommended by staff without irregularities.
Seconded and passed unanimously. 3-0

ACTION: Member Grimes moved to approve 62 Military Absentee Ballots recommended by staff without irregularities.
Seconded and passed unanimously. 3-0

ACTION: Member Swilley moved to approve 22 Overseas Absentee Ballots recommended by staff without irregularities.
Seconded and passed unanimously. 3-0

Tabulator total: 8205 ballots.

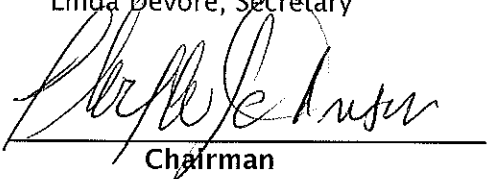
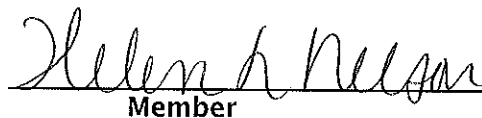
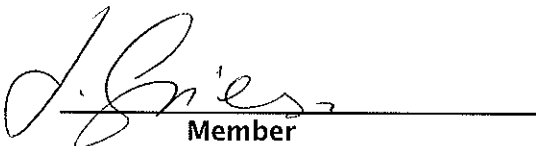
Next Meeting: Tuesday, October 6 at 9:00AM at the Board of Elections office.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:30PM.

Submitted by,



Linda Devore, Secretary


Chairman
Member
Member

Swilley not present
Member

Director