



FORSYTH COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

Board Meeting Agenda

May 21, 2020 – 5 p.m.

1. Meeting Called to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Moment of Silence
4. Public Comments

If you wish to speak, please call the number below at 4:45 pm on the day of the meeting and inform the Board Clerk. You will be recognized to speak during the public comment period in the order your call was received. The Chairperson will also ask for any additional speakers before the meeting is called to order. Members of the public may listen to proceedings by dialing: Phone number: (712) 770-4694 Access code: 814755

5. Discussion on 2020 General Election One-Stop Early Voting Plan
6. Other Business
7. Closed Session
8. Adjournment

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Meeting Minutes

May 21, 2020 – 5:00 p.m.

Meeting Called to Order

A regular meeting of the Forsyth County Board of Elections was called to order telephonically on May 21, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. Chairperson Campbell presiding.

Board Members in attendance: Chairperson Susan Campbell, Member John Loughridge, Secretary Robert Durrah (via telephone), Member Stuart Russell (via telephone), and Member Catherine Jourdan (via telephone)

Staff Members in attendance: Director Tim Tsujii, Deputy Director Michelle Bobadilla (via telephone), and Kimberly Stuck

Chairperson Campbell moved to amend the meeting agenda adding: #6 Approval of Meeting Minutes, #7 Adoption of Resolution Requesting State Board of Elections Assistance in Litigation; and # 8 Approval of Revised FY21 Budget; Member Loughridge seconded; **Motion carried unanimously.**

Pledge of Allegiance

Chairperson Campbell led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Moment of Silence

Chairperson Campbell called for a moment of silence.

Public Comments

Chairperson Campbell called for public comments, providing three minutes for each speaker:

Bob Hartwell – 4605 Beagle Run Lane, Winston Salem, NC 27106

Diana Gray – 2310 Ardmore Terrace Apt# A, Winston Salem, NC 27103

Chairperson Campbell addressed public comments regarding the Absentee By-Mail request process. Member Loughridge moved to close the public comments; Member Russell seconded; **Motion carried unanimously.**

Chairperson called roll, all Board members were in attendance.

Discussion on 2020 General Election One-Stop Early Voting Plan

Chairperson Campbell called for discussion of the One-Stop Early Voting plan. The Board discussed previous sites used in the March 3, 2020 Primary as well as the 2016 General Election. Deputy Director Bobadilla provided insight on the libraries and recreation centers, Harper Hill Commons Shopping Center, East Winston Lake YMCA and 14th Street Recreation Center, Forsyth Technical Community College and Miller Park Recreation Center. Secretary Durrah moved to table the discussion for future consideration; Member Loughridge seconded; **Motion carried unanimously.**

Approval Meeting Minutes

Secretary Durrah moved to approve the meeting minutes as presented for April 16, 2020; Chairperson Campbell seconded. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Adoption of Resolution Requesting SBE Assistance in Litigation

Chairperson Campbell read the Resolution Requesting SBE Assistance in Litigation for members of the public and Board members attending by telephone. Chairperson Campbell moved to adopt the Resolution Requesting SBE Assistance in Litigation; Member Loughridge seconded; **Motion carried unanimously.**

FY21 Revised Budget

Director Tsujii presented the Board with a revised FY21 Budget and provided insights to the changes to the previously approved budget for consideration and approval. Member Jourdan moved to approve the revised FY21 budget; Secretary Durrah seconded; **Motion carried unanimously.**

Other Business

Director Tsujii provided insight on a Request for Proposal (RFP) in a joint contract opportunity for print and mailing services with the Tax Department, which would improve on the bulk mailing process and cost of voter cards.

Mr. Tsujii addressed the potential for a special primary with the addition of two Winston Salem At-Large City Council seats introduced in NC House Bill 1165. Director Tsujii stated the he had communicated the challenges that exist in meeting the timeline to hold a primary and meet balloting requirements. Member Jourdan inquired about the deadline for signatures of Unaffiliated candidates that have filed petitions to be on the ballot; Ms. Stuck verified the August 5, 2020 due date to certify petitions.

Closed Session

Chairperson Campbell moved to go into closed session to consider the qualifications, competence, performance, or condition of appointment of a public officer or employee or prospective public officer or employee, pursuant to N.C.G.S. 143-318.11(a)(6); Member Loughridge seconded; Motion carried 4-0. (Secretary Durrah was unable to voice his vote due to technical difficulties.) The Board entered closed session at 6:22 p.m.

Adjournment

Secretary Durrah moved to adjourn the Board meeting; Member Loughridge seconded; Motion carried unanimously. Board adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

Approved:

s/ Susan Campbell
Chair

s/ Robert Durrah
Secretary

s/ Stuart Russell
Member

s/ John Loughridge
Member

s/ Catherine Jourdan
Member