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FORSYTH COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS BOARD MEETING MINUTES – OCTOBER 29, 2012

Call to Order

An emergency teleconference meeting of the Forsyth County Board of Elections was held on October 29, 2012. The meeting convened at 9:06 AM, Chairman Linda Sutton presiding.

Board Members in attendance: Chairman Linda Sutton, Secretary Michael Flatow, Member Jonathan Dills

Staff Members in attendance: Director Robert Coffman, Judy Speas

Guests in attendance: Wes Young, Winston-Salem Journal reporter

Chairman Sutton introduced the discussion concerning a proposal to use a Winston-Salem State University student listing as an acceptable form of documentation for residency verification in Early Voting voter registration. The student listing would be used by poll workers if a voter failed to bring proof of residence. Chairman Sutton stated that it would be a proactive step and provide for a smoother election process.

Mr. Coffman stated that voters are not eligible to register at Early Voting if they have no acceptable identification and proof of residence. Also, the training of poll workers would be an issue to introduce the lists into the early voting election procedure on that same day, October 29th, the first day at that location.

Member Dills was concerned about the appearance of the meeting and a motion of the proposal. Secretary Flatow suggested a compromise and moved to use the student listing for checking provisional ballots after Election Day. Chairman Sutton seconded the motion. Member Dills opposed the proposal because of the circumstances involved. **Motion carried.** Board members asked Mr. Coffman to reinforce the provisional voting procedures at the WSSU Anderson Center.

Adjournment

Chairman Sutton moved to adjourn the meeting. **Motion carried** and the meeting was adjourned at 9:57 AM.

Approved:

Linda J. Sutton, Chair

Date

Michael Flatow, Secretary

Date

Jonathan S. Dills, Member

Date