

Board Minutes of the Duplin County Board of Elections
Monday, November 2, 2015 5:00PM

On Monday, November 2, 2015 at 5:00 PM, the Duplin County Board of Elections was called to order by Derl Walker, Chairman. In attendance at the beginning of the meeting were the following: Derl Walker, Chairman; Johnnie Boyette, Secretary; Angela B. Mainor, Member; Karen Lawrence, Director; Susan Williams, Deputy Director; and Lillian Stainback, Elections Specialist.

The invocation was given by the Director, Karen Lawrence

Approval for the following minutes was made as a motion by Derl Walker and seconded by Jonnie Boyette all were unanimous in the approval.

1. Amendment to the September 8, 2015 minutes to extend One Stop for the first Saturday from 9am-1pm.
2. October 28, 2015 absentee meeting to approve 0 absentee by mail ballots.

There was no pending old business but Director Lawrence reported to Angela B. Mainor the answer to a question she had raised in a former meeting of how much a ballot cost us at Print Elect gave us the total of 19 cents each. She also reported a clarification to Derl Walker a question he had raised on the budget cost of cleaning supplies. Lily Stainback had talked to the County Manager, Mike Aldridge and he noted that the way supplies are figured is on square footage of the building. We have 75% and Veterans Services has 25% that is why we are charged so much. Ms. Stainback brought to his attention that 50% of our space is storage that is locked and the public has no access to it therefore it is not being cleaned by housekeeping staff. He made a note of this but for now he has no plans to change the process of how we are charged for the supplies.

New Business:

Karen Lawrence asked the board to approve the 4 new main in absentees making the total by 5:00pm today of 5 total ballots. Angela B Mainor made the motion that they be accepted, Johnnie Boyette seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously by acclamation.

Karen Lawrence presented the names of the 62 One Stop voters and asked that the board approve them as well for absentee voting Derl Walker made the motion that they be accepted, Johnnie Boyette seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously by acclamation.

Karen Lawrence brought before the board an email received from the state board on how to handle voter privacy as we know one precinct only had one absentee main in ballot. The board was explained per the email that we may have to include the votes of some voters in categories they do not actually belong in to protect their votes

Director-Karen Lawrence explained that the write-in candidates will be added tonight before the elections totals can go into the Unity Computer and uploaded to the Election Night reporting to the state for any precinct that has at least one candidate with more than 5 votes.

Lily Stainback, Elections Specialist gave a report on any poll worker changes and on the Student Elections Assistants.

Comments were made by the board chair, Mr. Walker commending the staff on their efforts in this elections process and wished us all a good election tomorrow.

With there being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 5:50PM by Derl Walker, Chairman.

The next regular meeting will be tomorrow, on November 3, 2015 @ 5:00 pm Election Day to count absentees and handle any Election Day issues.

Respectfully submitted:

Karen Lawrence
Director of Elections
Duplin County, NC

Derl Walker, Chairman

Johnnie Boyette, Secretary

Angela Mainor, Member