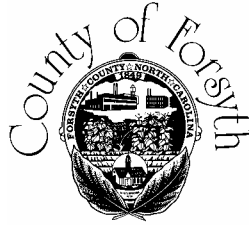


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FORSYTH COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS MEETING- JULY 20, 2004

Present: Mrs. Charles A. Cardwell, Jr., Chair
Mr. Eric Elliott, Secretary
Mr. John A. Redding, Member

Staff: Mrs. Kathie Chastain Cooper, Director of Elections
Mrs. Laura Gerardi-Dell, Deputy Director of Elections
Ms. Pamela Craver, Administrative Assistant
Ms. Judy Speas, Absentees

Call To Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 2:10 PM.

Approval Of Absentees

The Board reviewed the absentees as presented by the staff. There were 2 absentees recommended for disapproval due to no signature on the line indicated for voter signature. CIV719 had a signature on the back of the ballot envelope but not in the correct place. The Board realized the voter signed in the wrong place, but thought it was the correct place. Mr. Redding moved to approve CIV719. Mr. Elliott seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. After reviewing MIL510 it was determined by the Board that the voter signed the absentee but signed it in the wrong place. Mr. Redding moved to approve MIL510 since it was signed by the voter and all other information was completed as required. Mr. Elliott seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

There were a total of 21 absentees recommended for disapproval by the staff. After the Board approved 2 of the 21, that left a total of 19 recommended for disapproval. Mr. Redding moved to disapprove 19 absentee ballots. Mr. Elliott seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

There were a total of 1324 absentees recommended for approval by the staff. The Board decided to approve CIV719 and MIL510, making the total absentees for approval 1326. Mr. Elliott moved to approve the 1326 absentee ballots. Mr. Redding seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

The Board discussed changing the absentee mailer. Mr. Elliott moved to have the staff investigate making the instructions on the back more clear at the next printing of the forms. Mr. Redding seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

The Board and staff opened the approved absentee ballots and counted the mail ballots. The Board obtained the results from the One-Stop DRE machines and released those results at 7:30 pm.

The Board continued in session until after all results were in from the precincts which occurred about 10:00 pm.

s/ Mrs. Charles A. Cardwell, Jr., Chair

s/ Mr. Eric Elliott, Secretary

s/ Mr. John A. Redding, Member