

Columbus County Board of Elections

Monday, June 27, 2022

5:00 p.m.

Agenda Item #1: Meeting Called to Order:

At 5:00 p.m., Secretary David McPherson called Monday, June 27, 2022, Columbus County Board of Elections meeting to order.

Agenda Item #2: Roll Call

Absent Board Member:

Katherine Horne, Chairperson

Board Members Present:

Bonita Blakney, Member

David McPherson, Secretary

Brenda Ebron, Member

Ashley Collins, Interim Director

Tucker Ward, Member

Agenda Item #3 and #4: Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

- Invocation – Mrs. Ebron
- Recited – Pledge of Allegiance

Agenda Item #5: Board Minutes Approval

Board member, Mr. Ward made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by member Mrs. Blakney and concurred by Mrs. Ebron and Mr. McPherson.

Agenda Item #6: Approval of Minutes

Approval of June 13, 2022 minutes, Board Member, Mrs. Blakney made a motion to approve minutes, Mr. Ward seconded, Mrs. Ebron and Mr. McPherson concurred.

Public Comments

Doris Strickland wanted to know if the employees were getting background check and drug test before getting hired and if we had an employee that has not been through this why were they able to work. Mr. McPherson informed her that this would be looked into but it could not be discussed in open session because it was pertaining to personnel.

Peggy Gerald asked if someone was running for office how long do they have to be a resident. Mr. McPherson informed that it is depending on what office they are running for how long they would be required to have residency.

Director's Report

Interim Director, Ms. Collins reviewed the director's report and informed the board members that all payroll has been sent to finance so the poll workers should be paid on June 30. Also, she gave an update of what she has been doing with telephone providers regarding the bills from the phone service from election. Ms. Collins also inform that Parker Holland was no longer the SST he has received a new position with the state. Ms. Collins gave the board members copies of the surveys that were filed out by poll workers during election for them to review and on the next board meeting they will put on the agenda to be discussed.

Motion:

At 5:23 p.m. Board Member Mrs. Blakney made a motion to go into closed session, Mr. Ward seconded, Mr. McPherson and Mrs. Ebron concurred.

Recess Closed Session:

The regular session recessed at 5:23 p.m. At 5:53 p.m., Mrs. Blakney made a motion to return to regular session, Mr. Ward seconded, Mr. McPherson and Mrs. Ebron concurred. The regular session was resumed at 5:58 p.m.

Adjourn:

Resuming back to regular session, Mr. Ward made a motion to approve overtime hours for interim director Ashley Collins from the May election, Mrs. Blakney seconded, Mr. Mcpherson and Mrs. Ebron concurred. Mr. Ward made a motion at 5:59 p.m. to adjourn the meeting, Mrs. Blakney concurred.

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- May 23, 2022, 5:23 p.m. – 5:53 p.m. (Closed Session General Account)
- Closed session pursuant to GS 143-318.11(a)(6) Personnel Issues
- At 5:23 p.m. closed session was brought to order.
- At 5:53 p.m. Mrs. Blakney made a motion to return to regular session, Mr. Ward seconded, Mr. Pherson and Mrs. Ebron concurred.