

**BOARD OF ELECTIONS AND VOTER REGISTRATION OF JASPER COUNTY
CANVASS HEARING AND CERTIFICATION MINUTES**

NOVEMBER 11, 2016 - 8:00 A.M.

PRESENT: Chairman Joseph Arzillo; Vice Chairperson Pamela M. Williams and the following Board Members: Mr. John Kemp; Mr. Rodney Catterton; Mrs. Denise Davidson; Mr. Timothy Crosby; Mr. Carl Tyler and Director Jeanine Bostick.

ABSENT: None.

NOTIFICATION TO MEDIA: Chairman Arzillo announced the media had been notified.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: All

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Motioned by Vice Chairperson Williams, seconded by Mr. Kemp to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

ADMINISTER OF OATH: The Constitutional Oath was administered to the Board and the Director.

CANVASSERS HEARING: The Board had 30 provisional / challenged ballots. Twenty-Two counted and eight ballots were not counted; (2) Voter had no Photo ID; (1) Voter lives in Beaufort County; (1) Voter stated she did not vote in house absentee the Board reviewed documents and it was decided by the Board to not count; (1) voter not a register voter; (1) Voter wanted to do a write in for the office of President; (1) Voter returned ballot via internet and voter is not a UOCAVA voter; (1) Voter is in conviction status. Motioned by Mrs. Davidson, seconded by Vice Chairperson Williams, to certify the election. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Motioned by Mr. Kemp, seconded by Mr. Tyler to approve the agenda as read. Discussion: Mrs. Davidson asked if we could delay the remainder of the discussion until the next meeting. No further discussion and no vote, the motion failed.

It was motioned by Mr. Crosby, seconded by Mrs. Davidson to table items 13 through 18 until the next scheduled meeting and move Public Comments after Approval of Minutes. (7) Yes and (1) Oppose, Mr. Kemp.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motioned by Mrs. Scott, seconded by Mr. Tyler to approve the minutes from the October 20, 2016 Board meeting. Discussion: Mrs. Davidson stated she did not have a chance to review the minutes and asked to postpone the approval of minutes until next meeting. No further discussion a vote was taken to approve the minutes: (3) Yes; Mr. Kemp; Mr. Tyler and Mr. Scott. (5) No; Chairman Arzillo; Mr. Crosby; Mrs. Davidson; Mr. Catterton and Vice Chairperson Williams. Motion failed.

Mr. Crosby offered a motion to postpone the approval the October 20, 2016 Board Meeting minutes until the next scheduled meeting, the motion was seconded by Mrs. Davidson. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Mr. Arthur Murphy, Chairman of the Jasper County Democratic Party. Mr. Murphy stated he went to every precinct on Election Day and there was an eighteen year young lady that left one of the precinct crying, he wasn't sure if she voted or not, and stated this should never happen, the individual was hired by the Board as a poll manager and the matter should be looked into by the Board.

Mr. Milton Woods of the Jasper County Concern Citizens. Mr. Woods asked is the Federal Military ID and a Passport a valid ID used to for in the State of South Carolina. Mr. Woods stated an individual was denied his right to vote because he only had a passport. Mr. Woods stated one precinct had problems with the students that were hired to work as poll managers. Mr. Woods commented students were playing and Mr. Woods suggested to the Board to take a look at who's mandating these precincts and everyone should know the rules as a Clerk or poll manager. Mr. Woods stated he presented three letters of complaint to the Chairman from this election. Mr. Woods stated there was not equal and fair representation at the precincts.

Vice Chairperson Williams stated this Board went by the law the State mandates and this law was read out publically to everyone at the meeting.

Mr. Tom Johnson, Poll Clerk at the Sun City Precinct. Mr. Johnson thanked the Board for allowing him to speak today. Mr. Johnson also gave a thank you to the Director Ms. Bostick for a doing a great job with training of the poll workers and to keep up the great work. Mr. Johnson spoke to the Board about the EVRL used in this election and he couldn't image conducting any election any other way, it was a great experience; smooth process and he hopes the Board would work to ensure all precincts are equipped with EVRL in future elections.

The Director informed the Board of her time off for her birthday and asked that once the certification is uploaded to the State and the office is cleared if she and Rosemary can enjoy the remainder of their holiday along with the other County employees. The Board had no objections.

ADJOURNMENT: Motioned to adjourned by Vice Chairperson Williams, seconded by Mrs. Scott. Meeting adjourned at 10:35am. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by: Jeanine M. Bostick, Director

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