

Columbus County Board of Elections

Board Meeting

Monday, February 10, 2025

5:00 p.m.

Agenda Item #1: Meeting Called to Order

At 5:00 p.m. on Monday, February 10, 2025, Jeffery Register, Chairman called the Columbus County Board of Elections meeting to order.

Agenda Item #2: Roll Call

Board Members Present:

Jeffery Register, Chairman

Lynn Fairfax, Member

Lynne Thompson, Secretary

Wanda Brooks, Member-Absent

Ashley Collins, Director

Frederick Meekins, Member-Late 5:30pm

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

- Invocation – Mr. Fairfax
- Recited – Pledge of Allegiance

Agenda Item #5: Approval of Agenda

Mr. Fairfax made a motion to accept the agenda as presented. Mrs. Thompson seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Agenda Item #6: Approval of Minutes– January 13, 2025

Mr. Fairfax made a motion to accept all minutes presented. Mrs. Thompson seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Agenda Item #7: Public Comments

No public comments.

Agenda Item #8: Directors Report

Ms. Collins presented the “Removed Voters Report” from January 10, 2025 to February 07, 2025, the report had 1,960 removed voters. Mrs. Thompson made a motion to accept the report. Mr. Fairfax seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Ms. Collins informed the board that the NCADE Conference will be held March 23-25, 2025 in Durham, North Carolina and a request was sent to the county to approve funds to attend.

The county denied the request for funds for Ms. Hilda Price and Mrs. Felicia Brown. Ms. Collins will be the only staff attending.

Ms. Collins informed the board that the county has requested a 5% budget cut for every department for the 2025 budget year.

Ms. Collins informed the board that she has completed and passed the test to become a Certified North Carolina Director of Elections.

Agenda Item #9: Closed Session- NC 143-318.11(A)(6) Personnel

At 6:02 p.m. Mr. Fairfax made a motion to go into closed session. Mrs. Thompson seconded and the motion passed. At 6:25 p.m. Mrs. Thompson made a motion to return to the regular session. Mr. Fairfax seconded and the motion passed. Once back in the regular session, Mr. Register conducted a recount of the closed session, stating that it was in regards of salary adjustments. Mr. Fairfax made a motion to accept salary adjustments discussed in closed session. Mrs. Thompson seconded and the motion passed.

Agenda Item #10: Adjourn

With all business having been conducted, Mr. Fairfax made a motion to adjourn at 6:27 pm.

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