

MINUTES OF THE ELECTORAL BOARD MEETING September 2nd, 2021

A meeting of the Orange County Electoral Board was called to order by the Chairman, Toni Warmack on Thursday, September 2nd, 2021, at 2:00 pm in RM 268, located at 146 Madison Road, Orange, Virginia.

Attendees: Toni Warmack, Chairman; JoAnne Speiden, Secretary; Lynne Lewis, Vice Chairman; Donna Harpold, General Registrar; Bridget Joyce, Elections Manager.

- I. The meeting was called to order and JoAnne moved to accept the minutes of the last meeting on June 14th, 2021. Lynne seconded the motion.
- II. Old Business
 - a. Discussion of Virginia Elections Workshop Training:
 - i. There will be a recording of Training, awaiting the State's recordings to be sent to localities that were unable to make it on August 31st.
 - ii. Discussions of the outcome of this Training will be during the next scheduled EB meeting.
 - b. Annual Training was Conducted on June 29th, 2021
 - i. Procurement for new VERIS
 - ii. Bills in Effect:
 1. HB 1890/SB1395 Voting Rights Act: Interference via Civil causes of action and Penalty. Liability is specific to the person and will not know the outcome or repercussions until someone is sued.
 2. HB1988/SB1245 Early In Person Voting: requires AB ballots that are cast early in person to be reported separately from all other AB ballots cast.
 3. HB1888/SB1245/Requirement to Pre-Process before Every Election: Awaiting more information from the State. Cure Process: creates a formalized cure process for AB ballots.
 4. HB2081 Prohibited Activities: prohibits any person from knowingly possessing a firearm within 40 feet of any building used as a polling place. This includes one hour before and after it use.
 5. June Primaries: SB1148 moves the Primary Elections from the second Tuesday in June to the third Tuesday in June
- III. New Business
 - a. Preparations for Upcoming November 2nd, 2021, Election
 - i. Finalized Training Schedule, letters will be sent by the end of next week. Dates are October 14th, 19th, 26th and 28th and will be held downstairs in the Public Library Community Room

- ii. L&A is scheduled for Thursday, September 9th, 2021, at 10:00 am
 - iii. COVID 19 Preparations will be to encourage safety and will rely on the State and CDC for guidance.
 - iv. AB/Mail-in-Ballots will be sent (TBD)
- IV. Redistricting
 - a. Meeting to take place on September 14th, 2021, with the Board of Supervisors
 - i. will help to inform BOS of Towns and having NO split precincts
 - ii. will remind BOS of ADA requirements for newly established Polling Places, if needed.
- V. Office relocation
 - a. Awaiting news from the County
 - b. Space Study will need to be conducted
- VI. The floor was open to public comment at 2:45 pm. Resident and Chairman of the Democratic Committee of Orange County, Joe Freeland spoke.
- VII. The next meeting is TBD
- VIII. Lynne moved to adjourn at 2:55 pm. Toni seconded. All were in favor.

Respectfully submitted by Bridget Joyce, Elections Manager