

Buckingham County Electoral Board Meeting Minutes
October 17, 2023 10:00am
Buckingham County Agricultural Building Multipurpose Room

The meeting of the electoral board was called to order by Dr. Karen Cerwinski, Chairwoman at 10:05 am.

The Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance was presented and led by the Vice Chairwoman, Sandy Banks-Bertwell.

The adoption of the agenda was called for by the chairwoman. The motion was made by the secretary and seconded by the Vice Chairwoman. The motion carried.

The motion to approve the minutes of the September 19, 2023 meeting was made by the Vice Chairwoman and seconded by the secretary. The motion carried.

The General Registrar provided a report regarding the following:

- Early Voting Summary: Halfway through early voting only 3% of registered voters have voted with the state average being 10%. Averaging 16 voters per day. Total to date 283.
- Absentee Ballots 418 absentee ballots have been mailed out and 132 returned as of today with 32% return rate.
- Training for Officers of Election October 21, 2023@ 9:45 am is mandatory training. We are asking all OE's to complete the online training before the election. Goal is to provide as much training as possible since we have so many new OE;s serving in new positions of Chief and Assistant Chief.

Dr. Cerwinski shared that the board was having a Closed Work Session today at 12 noon with the Emergency Management Director, Sheriff department, and county officials to develop emergency plans for each precinct before the election. Examples were given such as power outages, fire protocols, active shooter, and police presence.

Mrs. Hanes reported that she had completed the ADA Certification Compliance Form stating that all 10 precincts met the requirements for ADA and submitted that form to ELECT on October 15, 2023 with receipt confirmation.

Motion: by Woody Hanes, seconded by Sandy Banks recommends going into Closed Session under Virginia Statute Personnel (& 2.2-3711.A.1)

Vote: Ayes—3— Karen Cerwinski, Sandy Banks, Woody Hanes . Motion carried.

Absent During Vote: 0

Board asked that Ginger Chiesa to stay for a closed session.

Closed Session at 10:10 am

Motion: by Woody Hanes, seconded by Sandy Banks to certify:
Buckingham County Electoral Board hereby certifies that, to the best of each member's knowledge, (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meetings requirements by Virginia Law were discussed in the executive meeting to which this certification resolution applies, and (ii) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion convening the executive meeting were heard, discussed or considered by the board.

Vote: Ayes--3-- Dr. Karen Cerwinski, Sandy Banks, Woody Hanes. Motion carried
Absent during the vote: 0

11:20 a.m.-- Back in Open Session

Motion: Madam Chair I Woody Hanes move to accept the following applications for Officers of Election

- Pamela Margid
- Brian Scott Detamore
- Dawn Detamore
- Kenda Hanuman

Seconded by Sandy Banks. Motion carried.

Public Comment:

- Frank Howe -- District 4
- Maggie Snoddy-- Glenmore District
- Joseph Anthony

Motion: to adjourn by Sandy Banks, seconded by Woody Hanes. Motion carried. Adjourned at 11:33 am.

Date, Time, and Place of next meeting November 21, 2023 @ 10:00 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Woody Hanes , Secretary

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