## Cumberland County Board of Elections Board Meeting (Absentee) April 23, 2024

Board Members in attendance were Chair Grimes, Member Baker, Member Devore, Member Edmonds, Member King.

Staff in attendance is Director Amaro, Deputy Director Hilburn, Absentee Officer Dixon.

Guests in attendance were Crystal Edmonds, Charlie Grimes, Willie Gaither, Raul Palacios, Pamela Wade, Roberta Waddle, Rudy Smith, Kia Anthony, Miguel, Rodriguez, Cheryl Thomas.

The invocation was offered by Member Devore.

The meeting was called to order by the Chair at 9:00 a.m.

**Action:** Member Edmonds moves to approve agenda. (2<sup>nd</sup> by Member King)

**Action:** Member Devore moves to amend motion. Defer item V: Minutes from the Agenda to the next meeting (second by Member Baker). Vote is unanimous in favor.

**Public Comment:** 

Raul Palacios, 3312 Hedgemoor Cir. Spring Lake, NC 28390

Roberta Waddle, 3941 Gainey Rd. Fayetteville, NC 28306

Shekia Anthony, 304 Wapiti Dr. Spring Lake, NC 28390

DS200 reading: 11

Absentee officer Dixon presents 2 civilian absentee ballots and 2 UOCAVA absentee ballots for approval by the board.

**Action:** Member King moves to approve the 4 absentee ballots as recommended by staff. (second by Member Baker). Vote is unanimous in favor.

DS200 reading: 15

## **New Business:**

Item a: Director Amaro presented proposed Early Voting plan for November 05, 2024 election: October 17, 2024 through November 2, 2024
Kiwanis Recreation Center (in lieu of BOE) – 352 Devers Street, Fayetteville NC
College Lakes Recreation Center – 4945 Rosehill Road, Fayetteville NC
Stoney Point Recreation Center – 7411 Rockfish Road, Fayetteville NC

Cliffdale Recreation Center – 6404 Cliffdale Road, Fayetteville NC Smith Recreation Center – 1520 Slater Avenue, Fayetteville NC JD Pone Recreation Center – 2964 School Road, Hope Mills NC East Regional Library – 4809 Clinton Road, Fayetteville NC

| October 17- 18          | 8:00 a.m. – 7:30 p.m.   |
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| October 19 (Saturday)   | 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.   |
| October 20 (Sunday)     | 2:00  p.m. - 5:00  p.m. |
| October 21 – 25         | 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.   |
| October 26 (Saturday)   | 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.   |
| October 28 – November 1 | 8:00 a.m. – 7:30 p.m.   |
| November 2 (Saturday)   | 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.   |

Chair Grimes presented proposed Early Voting plan for November 05, 2024 elections:

October 17, 2024 through November 2, 2024

Same sites as proposed by Director Amaro with the addition of:

Spring Lake Recreation Center – 245 Ruth Street, Spring Lake NC

and to add either EE Miller Recreation Center – 1347 Rim Road, Fayetteville NC or Westover Recreation Center – 267 Bonanza Drive, Fayetteville NC

Same hours as proposed by Director Amaro with the addition of October 27 (Sunday) 2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

**Action:** Member King moves to approve directors' proposal of 7 sites and to add Spring Lake. (second by Member Edmonds), Member Devore requests discussion.

Action: Member King moves to support directors' proposal of 7 sites plus Spring Lake. (second by Edmonds) Opposed Member Devore, Member Baker, Member Grimes

**Action**: Member Devore moves to accept directors proposed Early Voting site days. (second by Member Baker) For Member Devore, Member Baker, Member Edmonds, Against Member King, Member Grimes.

## New Business:

Item b: Director Amaro presents "I Voted" sticker contest submissions for voting.

Sticker #1 Member Devore

Sticker #2 Member Edmonds, Member Grimes, Member Baker, Member King

Sticker #3 Director Amaro

**Action:** Member Devore moves to change the meeting time for the May 14<sup>th</sup>, 2024 absentee meeting from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. (second by Member Baker) unanimous in favor.

Motion to Adjourn: Member Baker (second by Member King)

Meeting adjourned at 9:49 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted by, Vicki Hilburn

Chair

Member

Member

Member

Member