

Cumberland County Board of Elections

Board Meeting (Absentee)

October 08, 2024

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

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

Guests: Rudy Smith, Judy Hawkins, Bree Eldridge, Meta Coaxum, Peter Apone.

The invocation was offered by Member King.

The meeting was called to order by the Chair at 9:05 a.m.

Action: Member Edmonds moves to amend the agenda to include approval of Absentee Meeting Minutes of October 01, 2024. (second by Member King)

Motion passes (for: Member Edmonds, Member King, Chair Grimes; against: Member Devore, Member Baker)

Mrs. Bree Eldridge spoke during the public comment period.

DS200 reading: 314

Absentee Officer Dixon presented: 320 civilian absentee ballots (39 include exception forms; 6 where the ID might be inside the ballot envelope); 63 military absentee ballots (52 emailed & duplicated, 11 mailed); 43 overseas (emailed & duplicated).

Action: Member Edmonds moves to approve 2 civilian absentee ballots where the exception forms were inside the ballot envelope (second by Member King).

Vote is unanimous in favor.

Action: Member Edmonds moves to approve one civilian absentee ballot where the exception form is inside the ballot envelope (and an additional, crossed out signature appears on the outside of the envelope (second by Member King).

Motion passes (for: Member Edmonds, Member King, Chair Grimes; against: Member Devore, Member Baker)

Action: Member Edmonds moves to approve 3 civilian absentee ballots without exception forms, where the ID was found inside the ballot envelope.

Vote is unanimous in favor.

Action: Member Edmonds moves to approve 39 civilian absentee ballots with exception forms (second by Member King).

Vote is unanimous in favor

Action: Member Devore moves to approve 281 civilian absentee ballots (second by Member Edmonds).

Vote is unanimous in favor

Action: Member Devore moves to approve 43 overseas absentee ballots (second by Member Edmonds).
Vote is unanimous in favor

Action: Member Edmonds moves to adjust the number of ballots with exception forms from 39 to 37, (in order to correct a counting error) (second by Member Devore).
Vote is unanimous in favor

Action: Member Devore moves to adjust the number of civilian ballots from 281 to 282, (in order to correct a counting error) (second by Member Edmonds).
Vote is unanimous in favor

Action: Member Edmonds moves to approve 20 additional civilian absentee ballots with exception forms (second by Member King).
Vote is unanimous in favor

Action: Member Devore moves to adjust the number of civilian ballots from 282 to 279, (in order to correct a counting error) (second by Member Baker).
Vote is unanimous in favor

[Member Baker and Member King departed at 12:30 p.m.]

Action: Member Edmonds moves to approve 63 military absentee ballots (second by Member Devore).
Vote is unanimous in favor

DS200 reading: 762

Action: Member Edmonds moves to appoint Early Voting Judges & Chief Judges as recommended by staff (second by Member Devore).
Vote is unanimous in favor

Action: Member Edmonds moves to amend the Early Voting Judges & Chief Judges list to include an Unaffiliated Judge/Chief Judges that was inadvertently omitted from the appointment list. (second by Member Devore).
Vote is unanimous in favor

Action: Member Devore moves to approve the minutes of the October 01, 2024 Absentee Meeting as presented by the secretary. (second by Member Edmonds).
Vote is unanimous in favor

Action: Member Devore moves to approve Absentee Minutes once per week, if possible, on Tuesdays. (second by Member Edmonds).
Vote is unanimous in favor

Motion to Adjourn: Member Edmonds (second by Member Devore)
Meeting adjourned at 1:05 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Derek Edmonds

D. Edmonds

Secretary

J. Grimes
Chair

St. Baker
Member

Bill Alving
Member

Linda Devore
Member