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Brian Dismukes
Robert Rauton

Board of Voter Registration and Elections

March 1, 2022
Regular Meeting Agenda
4:30 pm

Pickens County Administrative Building Board Room

Opening

Chairman Liddle called the meeting to order at 4:30 pm.

Roll Call

Jim Liddle
Amanda Bauknight
Bobby Rauton
Brian Dismukes (via teleconference)
Amy Sams
Charles Titus
Cheryl Allen-Bailey

Agenda:

1. Approval of minutes from previous meeting- Board of Canvassers and Regular Meetings, February 10th, 2022
 - a. Motion by Board Member Liddle to approve minutes from the Board of Canvassers meeting. Second by Board Member Allen-Bailey. All in favor. Board of Canvassers minutes unanimously approved.
 - b. Motion by Board Member Liddle to approve Regular Meeting minutes. Second by Board Member Rauton. All in favor. Minutes unanimously approved.
2. Time available for public comment
 - a. Ross Whitley was present as a member of the Pickens County Republicans as well as Conservatives of the Upstate. He commented the groups are looking to learn more about processes and needs of the department and offered assistance.

- b. Carolyn Bishop McLeod was present as a member of the Clemson Area League of Women Voters and offered their assistance for any needs of the Board or Department.
 - c. Board thanked both members of the public for attending and noted there is always a need for poll workers.
3. Director's report
- a. Redistricting
 - i. SC Senate Districts: 1, 2 & 3
 - ii. SC House Districts: 1, 3, 4, 5, & 10; 13 split precincts
 - iii. Pickens County Council Districts: proposed plan moves 4 precincts (Calhoun, Norris, Praters Creek, & Skelton)
 - iv. Special called meeting of Council 3/1/2022 at 6:30 (3rd reading)
 - b. Board Certification/Training
 - i. Online poll worker training- new version with details on updated technology forthcoming
 - ii. ElectionNet access- Board members should be sure to check regularly for updated training calendars from the State
 - iii. One course required for continuing certification; new members: 3 core, 2 election electives, 2 professional development
 - iv. Staff can assist in registration for courses as needed
 - c. Budget updates
 - i. Dr. Sams to meet with county administration re: next fiscal year budget (fiscal year begins July 1, 2022)
 - d. H.4919: debate has been requested by elected officials
 - i. Key points provided by Dr. Sams:
 - 1. Early voting v. in-person absentee
 - 2. Satellite voting locations
 - 3. Absentee application requiring voter's driver license number or other personal or unique identifying number associated with a government-issued photo ID
 - 4. Witness signature, address, and printed name on absentee by mail outer envelope
 - 5. Allow examination of return-addressed envelope to begin at 7:00 am on the Sunday preceding Election Day
 - 6. Allow tabulation of absentee ballots to begin at 7:00 am on calendar day immediately preceding Election Day
 - 7. Penalty for public reporting of results of absentee ballots before polls are closed
 - 8. Any voter who is designated as having previously voted absentee may cast a provisional ballot on Election Day to be counted only if the voter's absentee ballot is not received
4. New business
- a. Chairman Liddle reminded the Board that ethics forms are due before the end of March to the state.
 - b. Board Member Boatwright announced her non-reappointment by the Legislative Delegation and made a statement of thanks to the Board and Staff for their

friendship and hard work over her term. She expressed her strong disappointment in the decision made by the Delegation and offered her continued support in any way the Department and County needs.

- c. Board Member Rauton made a public statement of disappointment and his resignation in response to the Delegation decision not to reappoint Board Member Boatwright.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Board Member Boatwright. Second by Board Member Rauton. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 5:23 pm.