

# PICKENS COUNTY

SOUTH CAROLINA

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## BOARD OF VOTER REGISTRATION AND ELECTIONS

Tuesday, April 4, 2023

4:30 p.m.

Regular Meeting Minutes

Pickens County Administrative Building Conference Room

### Opening:

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

### Roll Call:

Jim Liddle	Cheryl Allen-Bailey	Charles Titus
Amanda Bauknight	Jim Schmutz	Cary Kaye
Bob Moody	Ethan Cashwell	Luke Campbell
Dr. Amy Sams		

1. Approval of Minutes from February Meeting
  - a. Minutes from March 7<sup>th</sup> Regular Board Meeting reviewed. Bauknight made the motion to approve the minutes. Allen-Bailey seconded. All in favor.
2. Time available for public comment
  - a. Suzanne Hart concerned about bills that impact the voter registration office.
  - b. Feels that there needs to be more oversight in regards to election software.
3. Director's Report
  - a. Discussed Easley Ward 4 elections.
  - b. Started process for another Special Election due to the death of a Liberty Council member. Election will be held June 27<sup>th</sup>.
    - i. Canvass meeting will be held June 28<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 p.m.
      1. Motion made by Cashwell to hold canvass meeting on this date, and second made by Liddle. All in favor of this motion.
  - c. Discussed SEC training and if we have to drop the course that we email SEC and Dr.

- Sams about dropping the course to make sure elections board is not charged.
- d. ADA Assessments – every odd year have to visit voting locations to make sure they meet ADA requirements. Only 13 more to go and have been making sure that locations are ADA accessible. Dacusville Community Center has made most changes and once last changes are made that location will become a voting location again for PC Elections. Target date to complete this is May 12, 2023 and ahead of schedule to complete this.
  - e. Dept. of Homeland Security Physical Security Assessment. DHS was pleased with elections office. Will issue a formal report.
  - f. Poll Worker Recruitment – This is going well.
    - i. Campbell has been helping recruitment efforts at multiple businesses.
    - ii. Ordinance to recognize poll workers for the first Monday in December. Working on getting this passed by County Council..
  - g. Outreach Collaboration – Signed up for Doodle Market on May 5 and June 2. Will allow people to update their voter registration, register to vote, and other information about the voter registration and elections office at the event.
    - i. Clemson University is interested in a voting location or early voting center at the University. Working on seeing if this can take place.
    - ii. Proposed 7 seminars in late summer and early fall to provide outreach.
  - h. Plan of Succession was discussed by Dr. Sams.
  - i. Budget proposal was presented to County Council on 4/3/23.
  - j. Lisa Bryant has left Pickens County in HR.
  - k. Chris Whitmire with the SEC has left organization.
4. New Business
- a. Cashwell asked about Clemson elections and the status. No updates at this time.
  - b. Campbell brought up ERIC and asked if South Carolina uses ERIC. There was discussion about ERIC and its purpose.
5. Cashwell made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:46 p.m. Schmutz seconded. All in favor.