

**FAYETTE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS
AND VOTER REGISTRATION**

ACTION OF AGENDA

April 28, 2015

Board Members Present: Marilyn Watts, Chairman
Darryl Hicks
Addison Lester

Staff Present: Tom Sawyer, Elections Supervisor
Leigh Combs, Elections Officer
April Crosby, Elections Officer
Beverly Westmoreland, Elections Clerk

Others in Attendance: Alberta Lucas and Tony Parrott

A. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Watts called the meeting to order at approximately 5:07 p.m.

B. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Member Lester made the motion to approve the agenda. Member Hicks seconded the motion. **Motion carried.**

C. HEARING – DECEASED FAYETTE COUNTY VOTERS

Elections Officer Combs presented the list of deceased Fayette County voters. Member Lester made motion to approve the list of cancelled deceased Fayette County voters; Member Hicks seconded the motion. **Motion carried.**

D. HEARING – FELON FAYETTE COUNTY VOTERS

Elections Officer Combs presented the list of felon Fayette County voters and told the Board Members that the list seems to be coming quarterly now. Member Hicks made motion to approve the list of cancelled felon Fayette County voters; Member Lester seconded the motion. **Motion carried.**

E. HEARING – MOVED- OUT-OF-STATE VOTERS

Elections Officer Combs presented the list of Fayette County Moved-Out-Of State Voters. Member Lester made motion to approve the list of cancelled moved-out-of-state voters; Member Hicks seconded the motion. **Motion carried.**

F. CHALLENGED VOTERS

Officer Combs gave the Board a summary of what has occurred with the two challenged voters that were discussed in the March meeting.

Regarding the challenged voter, Martha Hindman-Wade, Officer Combs told the Board Ms. Hindman-Wade has not challenged the correspondence sent to her letting her know she will be removed from the electors' list. Supervisor Sawyer said that since it is definite that Ms. Hindman-Wade no longer resides in Fayette County and currently resides in Fulton County, she is not eligible to vote in Fayette County. At this point, Member Lester made the motion to remove Ms. Hindman-Wade from the electors' list; Member Hicks seconded the motion. **Motion carried.**

Officer Combs then spoke to the Board regarding the correspondence sent to the challenged voter, Wyatt Evans. This office has not heard from Wyatt Evans regarding this challenge. The lady who lives at the address that Wyatt Evans had put on his voter registration has stated that Wyatt Evans does **not** live there. Given the information that this office has regarding this challenged voter, Member Hicks made the motion to approve the removal of Wyatt Evans from the electors' list. Member Lester seconded the motion. **Motion carried.**

G. OLD BUSINESS

1. APPROVAL OF THE FOLLOWING BOARD MINUTES – REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING – MARCH 24, 2015 (MARCH)

Member Lester made the motion to approve the March 24, 2015 Board meeting minutes; Member Hicks seconded the motion. **Motion carried.**

2. INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENTS

Supervisor Sawyer spoke briefly to the Board regarding the Intergovernmental Agreements with the cities and towns in Fayette County relating to their upcoming November, 2015 elections. He said he does not have all the agreements back yet.

3. BALOTAR

A. YTD BUDGET

Supervisor Sawyer updated the Board regarding the YTD Budget. He further said that the funding has been moved to allow for payment of the new ballot printing program called Balotar.

B. DEMONSTRATION OF BALOTAR – April 7, 2015, 10:00 A.M.

Supervisor Sawyer spoke briefly about the presentation/demonstration of Balotar the office had attended on April 7th. Everyone was impressed with the program and it is viewed as a positive addition to the Elections Office.

(At this point, Chairman Watts explained to the guests about the program called Balotar and how it would be a cost saving program for the Elections Office. It will enable the office to print ballots on an as-needed basis.)

4. GEOA CONFERENCE – MAY 3-6, 2015 – MARRIOTT RIVERFRONT, SAVANNAH, GA

Supervisor Sawyer passed out the itinerary for the upcoming GEOA Conference. He further explained to the Board that all attendees will be able to pick up their per diem checks from the Finance Department by Friday, May 1, 2015. There was brief discussion about travel arrangements. He also asked that each attendee fill out the tax exempt forms that are in their packet and to turn those in to the Marriott Riverfront Hotel when they arrive for check-in.

Officer Crosby will have the P-Card and will present that to the front desk on check-in. Supervisor Sawyer asked that each attendee give him the hotel receipt when they check out.

Details of the conference were further discussed. Those attendees riding in the County vehicle plan to meet in the front parking lot at 11:30 a.m. on Sunday, May 3, 2015.

H. NEW BUSINESS

Supervisor Sawyer gave the Board members a copy of the Budget that he has turned in to the Finance Department. He further explained some details regarding the budget and asked the Board for their input. If any changes need to be made, there is still time to do so. He asked the Board to let him know if they see any changes that need to be made. He gave the Board an overview of some additions of equipment that are included in the Budget.

I. OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business to discuss.

J. OTHER ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

There were no other items for consideration.

K. ADJOURNMENT

Member Lester made the motion to adjourn the meeting at approximately 5:45 p.m. Member Hicks seconded the motion. **Motion carried and the meeting was adjourned.**

The next Board meeting (MAY) is scheduled for May 26, 2015 at 5:00 p.m.