

BOARD OF ELECTIONS

Darryl Hicks, Chairman
Addison Lester
Aaron Wright

FAYETTE COUNTY, GEORGIA

Floyd L. Jones, Elections Supervisor
Leigh Combs, Elections Officer
Patrick Stough, Assistant County Attorney



140 Stonewall Avenue West
Public Meeting Room
Fayetteville, GA 30214

ACTION AGENDA
Special Called Meeting
June 13, 2017
6:30 p.m.

Welcome to the meeting of your Fayette County Board of Elections. Your participation is appreciated. All regularly scheduled Board meetings are open to the public and are generally held on the 4th Tuesday of each month at 5:00 p.m.

Chairman to Call the Meeting to Order

Chairman Hicks called the June 13, 2017 Special Called Meeting of the Board of Elections to order at 6:30 p.m.

Approval of the Agenda

Chairman Hicks asked for Public Comment to be provided before and after the discussion of consolidation was held, and he asked for a motion to approve the change to the Agenda. Mr. Lester moved to approve the Agenda was this requested change. Mr. Wright seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

No one spoke during Public Comments.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

1. Consideration of staff’s request to approve the May 23, 2017 Board of Elections Meeting Minutes.

Mr. Wright moved to approve the May 23, 2017 Board of Elections Meeting Minutes. Mr. Lester seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

PUBLIC HEARING:

There were no Public Hearing items on the Agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA:

There were no Consent Agenda items on the Agenda.

OLD BUSINESS:

2. Continued discussion concerning the potential consolidation of precincts in Fayette County.

Elections Supervisor Floyd Jones provided an overview of the previous two meetings with regard to the question of consolidating precincts. He stated that if consolidation were to be approved without using schools then there would be no certain voting locations for at least three precincts. He added that if schools were utilized then all precincts would have a polling location. He further spoke about the problems with the compressed timeframe in getting the work completed with accuracy and of the potential impact with adding an average of 45% more voters to each precinct.

Chairman Hicks open the floor to public comment. Mr. Terry Williamson, Board of Education Member Leonard Presberg, Director of Special Projects Sam Sweat, Helen Butler, State Representative Derrick Jackson, Ted Toles, Vivian Moore and Judy Wilson spoke in public comment and asked questions concerning the consolidation effort. Many requested the Board of Elections to table the consideration until a later date.

Discussion continued pertaining to cost savings and the technical aspects of entering the data.

The Board members expressed their reasons for wanting to consolidate precincts and their concerns with consolidating. Consideration was made about the ability to begin the consolidation work and then, if need be, reverting back to 36 precincts. Assistant County Attorney Patrick Stough advised that once the vote was made the consolidation work would have to be completed.

Mr. Lester moved to not proceed to consolidate the based on the compressed time, concern with accuracy in the system, and to seek a collaborative effort with the school board on the use of facilities in the future. Chairman Hicks seconded the motion. The motion passed 2-1 with Mr. Wright voting in opposition to the motion.

NEW BUSINESS:

There were no New Business items on the Agenda.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT:

There were no Supervisor's Reports given.

ATTORNEY'S REPORTS:

There was no Attorney's Reports given.

BOARD MEMBERS REPORTS:

There were no Board Member Reports given.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

There was no Executive Session.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Lester moved to adjourn the June 13, 2017 Special Called Meeting. Mr. Wright seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

The June 13, 2017 Special Called Meeting was adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

Floyd L. Jones, Elections Supervisor