

## BOARD OF ELECTIONS

Darryl Hicks, Chairman  
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## FAYETTE COUNTY, GEORGIA

Floyd L Jones, Director  
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## MINUTES

November 10, 2020  
2:00 p.m.

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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 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each month at 5:00 p.m.

### Chairman to Call the Meeting to Order

Chairman Hicks called the November 10, 2020 Board of Elections meeting to order at 2:07 p.m.

### Approval of the Agenda

Mr. Lester moved to approve the Agenda. Mr. Wright seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

### PUBLIC COMMENTS:

No one spoke during Public Comments.

### CONSENT AGENDA:

There was no Consent Agenda.

### OLD BUSINESS:

There was no Old Business.

### NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Review and consideration of provisional ballots cast for the November 3, 2020 General Election and Tyrone Special Election.**

#### **Two Ballots Delivered to the Wrong Box:**

Director Jones stated that he had two ballots that had been dropped into the Flag Disposal Bin at Peachtree City City Hall. He reported that Ms. Stacey Collins, an employee of Peachtree City, came to the Elections Office earlier in the day and returned them to Fayette Elections. He stated that the ballots were not in the possession of the county at 7:00 p.m. on Election Night, subsequently they are late and he recommended not counting the ballots.

Mr. Lester moved to reject the two ballots. Mr. Wright seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

**Potential Double Voters:**

Director Jones reported that there are four voters who potentially voted twice. He stated that the information on the voters would be provided to investigators with the Secretary of State.

**Voter who Shares Duplicate Voter Registration Number:**

Director Jones stated that Mr. Thomas Edward Jackson tried to vote in Fayette County. He was given a provisional number since he shares a similar name and the same Voter Registration Number with another Thomas Jackson. Mr. Thomas Edward Jackson claims he has only lived in Tennessee and recently in Fayette County. ENet, however, has the other Thomas Jackson living in multiple places. The Mr. Jackson, who lives in Fayette County, was reported to go out of his way to provide any and all evidence that he lives in Fayette County.

Mr. Lester moved to approve Mr. Jackson's provisional ballot conditioned on receiving contradictory evidence from the Secretary of State. Mr. Wright seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**Alleged Ballots Missing from the Drop Boxes:**

Director Jones stated there are four individuals who claim to have returned their mail-in ballots, however, the same ballots cannot be located. Specifically, three people stated they dropped their ballots in the drop box at the Fayette Administrative Complex, and one other claimed to leave their ballot with the Elections staff. Director Jones stated that the County Registrar and her team have looked extensively for the four ballots and have not been able to locate them. He further stated that he reviewed the video footage of the ballot boxes and did not locate two of the three individuals. He said he did not know one of the individuals and as a result could not identify the person. The second individual is someone he could identify but she was not found on the video footage. The third individual was seen on video footage placing a ballot in the box. There is no video at all for the person claiming to drop their ballot with Elections staff. Director Jones stated that all of these individuals came to the Elections Office after the Election ended claiming they had returned their ballot, and out of an abundance of caution, they were provided provisional ballots until the Board could meet and assess their claims.

County Attorney Patrick Stough reported that while he felt bad for the situation, there was no room in the law to accept ballots after the Election and he recommended against approving them. The County Director agreed with the County Attorney.

Mr. Wright moved to reject all four provisional ballots. Mr. Lester seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**County Registrar Review of Provisional Ballots:**

County Registrar Agnes Bridges stated there were 163 provisional ballots for consideration.

Ms. Bridges stated there are two ballots that show a date of November 4 although the voter actually voted on November 3. She stated she has consulted with the Secretary of State and it was confirmed that the two ballots were, in reality, cast on November 3. She recommended approval of the two ballots.

Mr. Wright moved to approve the two ballots. Mr. Lester seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**Precinct 1:**

Five ballots were recommended for approval due to a system error and three ballots recommended for non-approval due to being out of county.

Mr. Lester moved to accept the Registrar's recommendation. Mr. Wright seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**Precinct 2:**

Two ballots to be rejected for being out of county.

Mr. Lester moved to accept the Registrar's recommendation. Mr. Wright seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

One ballot was recommended for a partial approval for being out of precinct.

Mr. Lester moved to accept the Registrar's recommendation. Mr. Wright seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

One ballot was recommended for a approval due to a technical issue.

Mr. Lester moved to accept the Registrar's recommendation. Mr. Wright seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**Precinct 3:**

Seventeen ballots were recommended for approval due to the technical issue.

Mr. Lester moved to approve the Registrar's recommendation. Mr. Wright seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Three ballots were recommended for rejection for being out of county.

Mr. Lester moved to approve the Registrar's recommendation. Mr. Wright seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**Precinct 4:**

One ballot was recommended to not be approved for being out of county.

Seven ballots were recommended for acceptance due to technical issues.

Mr. Lester moved to approve the Registrar's recommendation. Mr. Wright seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**Precinct 5:**

One ballot was recommended for approval due to technical issues and one was recommended for rejection for being out of county.

Mr. Lester moved to approve the Registrar's recommendation. Mr. Wright seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**Precinct 6:**

One ballot was recommended for rejection for being out of county.

Mr. Lester moved to approve the Registrar's recommendation. Mr. Wright seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**Precinct 7:**

One ballot was recommended for approval due to technical issues and one ballot was recommended for rejection since the voter was not a registered voter.

Mr. Lester moved to approve the Registrar's recommendation. Mr. Wright seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**Precinct 8:**

One ballot was recommended for partial acceptance for out of precinct.

Mr. Lester moved to approve the Registrar's recommendation. Mr. Wright seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**Precinct 9:**

Three ballots were recommended for approval due to technical issues.

Mr. Lester moved to approve the Registrar's recommendation. Mr. Wright seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**Precinct 10:**

Six ballots were recommended for approval due to technical issues and three to be rejected for being out of county.

Mr. Lester moved to approve the Registrar's recommendation. Mr. Wright seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Precinct 12:

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT:**

There were no Director Reports

**ATTORNEY'S REPORTS:**

There were no Attorney Reports

**BOARD MEMBERS REPORTS:**

There were no Board Member Reports

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

There were no Executive Session

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Mr. Lester moved to adjourn the August 25, 2020 Board of Elections Meeting Minutes. Mr. Wright seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

The November 10, 2020 Board of Elections Meeting was adjourned at 6:29 PM

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Floyd L. Jones, Director

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Darryl Hicks, Chairman