



McDowell County Board of Elections

RS
Dean Buff, Chairman
JR Hachadurian, Secretary
Kim Welborn, Director of Elections

MEMBERS

Dean Buff
JR Hachadurian
Tom Cline
Kay House
Della Watson

Meeting Date: Monday, March 14, 2022

Board Members Present: Dean Buff *AB*
Tom Cline *TC*
Della Watson *DW*
JR Hachadurian *JRH*
Kay House *KH*

Staff Present: Kim Welborn, Director
Jane Propst, Deputy Director

Public Attendees: none

Opening

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m.

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting, February 8, 2022 were presented. Tom Cline motioned to approve, seconded by Kay House. No discussion. The motion carried unanimously 5-0.

Old Business

None

New Business

- The absentee resolution to begin the count of absentees for the May 17, 2022 Primary election at 2:00 p.m. JR Hachadurian motioned to approve, seconded by Della Watson. The motion carried unanimously 5-0.
- Overtime for Director and staff for the period of time leading up to May 17, 2022 was discussed. Kay House motioned to approve, seconded by Della Watson. The motion carried unanimously 5-0.
- Calendars for the months of April and May were mailed to the board of upcoming absentee board meetings, etc.
- The May 17, 2022 ballot was presented. Della Watson motioned to approve, seconded by JR Hachadurian. The motion carried unanimously 5-0.
- Tracey Bolick was introduced to the board as our temporary part-time employee during the Primary preparations.
- Petitions for the Randy Branton for Unaffiliated Candidate for Sheriff was presented to the board to examine the signatures that look to be signed by the same individual. Kay House motioned to send to the NC State Board of Elections the copy of petition as well as voter registration record for individual signatures that could

be questionable as being signed by the same individual, seconded by Tom Cline. The motion carried unanimously 5-0.

- g. The 2022-2023 budget year was discussed. The board will meet Tuesday, March 22 at 9:00 a.m. to vote on the budget once staff has gathered information concerning Director and staff salary studies from counties of similar size, McDowell County salaries, etc.

General Discussion

Public Comments

Adjournment

Kay House motioned to adjourn the meeting at 2:20 p.m. The motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Kimberly Welborn, Director

March 17, 2022