



APPROVED MINUTES

BOARD OF REGISTRATION AND ELECTIONS SPECIAL MEETING – MARCH 19, 2019

The Fulton County Board of Registration and Elections met in Special Session on Tuesday, March 19, 2019 at 6:30PM in the Elections Preparation Center, 1365 English Street, Atlanta, Georgia.

Presiding: Ms. Mary Carole Cooney, Chairperson

Other Board Members Present: Mr. Aaron Johnson, Vice-Chairperson
Ms. Vernetta K. Nuriddin

Board Member(s) Absent: Mr. David Burge
Mr. Mark Wingate

Staff Attending: Mr. Richard Barron, Director; Mr. Ralph Jones, Registration Chief; Mrs. Sharon Benjamin, Deputy Elections Chief; Mr. Johnny Harris, Elections Officer; Mrs. Pamela Coman, Registration Manager; Ms. Brenda McCloud, Administrative Manager; Ms. Breana Jenkins, Administrative Specialist; Mr. David Lowman, Staff Attorney; Ms. Jessica Corbitt, PIO & Director of External Affairs; Ms. April Majors, Public Affairs Manager

Guests Attending: Foris Webb III (City of Atlanta), Vanessa Waldon (City of Atlanta)

#1– APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Chairperson Cooney entertained a motion to approve the agenda. The motion was made by Ms. Nuriddin, seconded by Mr. Johnson and carried by a unanimous vote of 3-0.

#2– COMMUNICATIONS AND PUBLIC RESPONSE

NONE

#3- DISCUSSION OF MARCH 19, 2019, SPECIAL ELECTION

- City of Atlanta, **City Council Member- District 3**
- City of Hapeville, **Alderman At Large**

Mr. Barron stated that the votes cast during early voting were 151 and 48 ballots by mail were received. Mr. Barron informed the **BRE** of ongoing voting for the City of Atlanta and Hapeville;

600 City Council –District 3 and 112 Alderman at Large votes cast at 3:30 p.m. City of Hapeville has an ordinance that extends beyond the current state law for NO CAMPAIGNING within 150ft; the city will need to provide signs for future elections.

Mr. Barron requested personnel to inform the **BRE** of any occurrences.

All personnel stated No updates

Ms. Nuriddin inquired about the number of absentee ballots rejected and the reasoning

Mr. Jones indicated four and that the ballots had no signatures.

Chairperson Cooney inquired if efforts were made to inform voters of their mistakes

Mr. Jones indicated that letters were mailed and phone calls were made to the individuals that provided contact information.

Ms. Nuriddin requested to see the rejected Absentee Ballots after the special meeting adjourned

Mr. Jones confirmed two on site for review.

Ms. Nuriddin inquired about discrepancies in the Early Voting Unofficial Results regarding Absentee by Mail

Mr. Johnson and **Mr. Barron** provided clarity to a report due to inquiries from the **BRE**

Ms. Nuriddin requested updated and simple reports moving forward.

#4- CONFIRM DATE OF CERTIFICATION OF ELECTION RESULTS

Chairperson Cooney inquired about provisional ballots with the PI code. PI code gives the voter until 5:00 p.m. on the Friday after the election to submit acceptable forms of a government issued identification

Ms. Nuriddin stated a preference of using the tentative **BRE** schedule received in November/ December 2018.

Chairperson Cooney requested the **BRE** to anticipate the meeting being on Monday, March 25, 2019

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board did not convene into executive session.

ADJOURNMENT

With no other items requiring the Board's action, **Chairperson Cooney entertained a motion to adjourn. Mr. Burge moved to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Nuriddin seconded the motion.** Collectively, the Board agreed to adjourn at 6:56 p.m.

The meeting adjourned.

Prepared by,

Mariska Bodison, Board Secretary