

**MADISON COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS
ABSENTEE SESSION
Board of Elections Conference Room
November 7, 2016
5:00 PM**

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Dyatt Smathers called the meeting of the Madison County Board of Elections to order at 5:00 p.m. In attendance were Dyatt Smathers, Chair; Ray Lewis, Secretary; Jerry Wallin, Member; Kathy Ray, Director; and Wade Gahagan, Deputy Director.

Moved, Seconded (RL, JW) and Carried (3,0) to approve the agenda.

Moved, Seconded (RL, JW) and Carried (3,0) to approve the November 1, 2016 Absentee and Closed Meeting Minutes.

The Board recessed for supper.

NEW BUSINESS

Moved, Seconded (RL, JW) and Carried (3,0) to approve 2,505 One Stop Absentee Applications (see attached Executed Absentee Ballots report).

Moved, Seconded (RL, JW) and Carried (3,0) to approve 5 military absentee applications (see attached Executed Absentee Ballots report).

Moved, Seconded (RL, JW) and Carried (3,0) to approve 2 overseas absentee applications (see attached Executed Absentee Ballots report).

Moved, Seconded (RL, JW) and Carried (3,0) to approve 106 civilian absentee applications (see attached Executed Absentee Ballots report).

Moved, Seconded (RL, JW) and Carried (3,0) to duplicate absentee ballots: CIV-317, CIV-376, OVR-27 (electronic ballot), OVR-29 (electronic ballot), MIL+

The ballot duplication team was comprised of Board members, the Director, and the Deputy Director (Wallin, caller; Smathers, Supervisor; Lewis, Marker; Gahagan, Reviewer; and Ray, Tabulator).

Moved, Seconded (RL, JW) and Carried (3,0) to move into closed session to protect voter secrecy while duplicating the absentee ballots.

All approved paper ballots were scanned into the m100 tabulators. The absentee ballot machine counts at the end of the meeting were 206 and 139 for a total of 345 tabulated ballots.

Moved, Seconded (RL, JW) and Carried (3,0) to approve poll worker assistants Meagan Johnson (UNA-Beech Glen) at Ebbs Chapel Precinct and to transfer poll worker assistant William Briggs (R-Mars Hill) from Ebbs Chapel Precinct to Beech Glen Precinct.

The Director reported that Kay Kent (R-North Marshall) is sick and will be unable to fulfill her duties as a poll worker assistant at the Sandy Mush Precinct.

The Director provided the Board with a current copy of the Emergency / Disaster Plan.

The Sheriff has provided three deputies for Election Day duty at the polling locations.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Next absentee meeting: Thursday, November 17, 2016 at 9:00 a.m.

Moved, Seconded (RL, JW) and Carried (3,0) to adjourn at 8:15 p.m.



Kathy Ray, Director



Dyatt Smathers, Chair



Ray Lewis, Secretary