BOARD OF ELECTIONS

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MEETING MINUTES Tuesday, October 6, 2020

The October 6, 2020 meeting of the Houston County Board of Elections was called to order at 5:31 p.m. by Chairman Katherine Shelton.

Members of the Board Present: Katherine Shelton - Chairman

Barbara Waddle, Vice Chair

Henry Childs Sherman Falana

Member(s) of the Board Absent: John Applegate

Member(s) of the Staff Present: Debra Presswood, Registration/Election Supervisor

Chairman Shelton called for the approval of the minutes of the September 1, 2020 meeting. A motion was made by Sherman Falana and seconded by Henry Childs to approve the September 1, 2020 meeting minutes. The motion carried.

REGISTRATION/ELECTION SUPERVISOR REPORT:

Logic & Accuracy Testing began September 22, 2020. On September 25, 2020, the State alerted all counties to cease testing due to an error in the Statewide Database for November. At the time we were asked to cease, testing of Early Voting equipment was already complete.

On September 29, 2020 Debra Presswood was notified of the delivery of a new Statewide Database. Houston County was directed to report to the Georgia State Patrol Post in Americus, GA between 10 am and 12:00 pm. Personnel were to have proper County ID to receive the data base. Debra Presswood acquired this database.

Testing of the Early Voting and Election Day equipment is in progress.

Poll worker training was scheduled September 23 – October 2. Due to poll pad updates, the September 23rd training was canceled but training resumed as of September 24th.

A copy of the September 1, 2020 Meeting Minutes, Active/Inactive Voter figures (October 2020), Houston County Polling Locations, and letter from Marilyn Marks, Executive Director Coalition for Good Governance and Samantha Whitley, Research Analyst, were given to board members.

The upcoming General/Special Election is November 3, 2020.

The next board meeting will be November 3, 2020 at 5:30 p.m.

Old Business:

New Business:

A motion was made by Sherman Falana and seconded by Barbara Waddle to approve the Managers and Assistant Managers for the November 3, 2020 General/Special Election. Motion carried.

Mr. Sherman Falana will serve as a representative for the Election Board on the Voter Review Panel for the November 3, 2020 General/Special Election.

Mr. Sherman Falana questioned why Central Georgia Technical School will not be open during Saturday Early Voting on Saturday October 24. The Board members agreed to re-visit this topic for future elections.

There being no further business, motion to adjourn by Barbara Waddle, seconded by Henry Childs. Motion Meeting adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

Katherine Shelton, Chairman

November 3, 2020

Debra Presswood, Secretary

This meeting was conducted in accordance with the Georgia Meeting Provisions of Title 50, Chapter 14 of Georgia Code.