

Tuesday, April 29, 2008

The Graham County Board of Elections met for an Absentee meeting Tuesday, April 29, 2008 at 5pm at the Board of Elections office at 18 Court Street, Robbinsville, NC. Present were Chairman Colvard and Secretary Odom. Chairman Colvard called the meeting to order.

1. Secretary Odom made a motion to amend the agenda to include discussion on the pay scale for poll workers for the next budget as well as the pay scale for office help as items number six and seven. Chairman Colvard seconded the motion. Chairman Colvard made a motion to amend the agenda to change item number five to include approval of any substitute poll workers. Secretary Odom seconded the motion. Secretary Odom made a motion to approve the agenda with changes. Chairman Colvard seconded the motion.
2. No public comment.
3. Board reviewed absentee requests, returned absentee ballots, and One Stop applications. Secretary Odom made a motion to approve returned absentee ballots 12 – 16, 23 - 25, and to disapprove ballot 21 due to lack of information. Secretary Odom asked that office personnel try to contact the voter in order to get the information needed to approve the ballot. Chairman Colvard seconded the motion. Secretary Odom made a motion to approve Absentee One Stop applications 100-27 through 100-83, and 102-31 through 102-100. Chairman Colvard seconded the motion.
4. Secretary Odom made a motion to approve the minutes from April 22, 2008. Chairman Colvard seconded the motion.
5. Secretary Odom made a motion to approve Gina Cole and Donnie Birchfield as replacement workers for the West Ward and Kathleen Bostwick and Mildred Cutshaw as replacement workers for the Stecoah Precinct. Chairman Colvard seconded the motion. Secretary Odom will speak with Lowell Crisp regarding Republican substitute poll workers. Chairman Colvard will speak with Curtis Griggs regarding Democrat substitute poll workers.
6. Chairman Colvard made a motion to include in the next budget a higher pay scale for the poll workers broken down to \$10 for Chief Judges, \$9.50 for Judges, and \$8.50 for Assistants. Secretary Odom seconded the motion.

7. Secretary Odom made a motion that Chairman Colvard and Director Farley speak with County Manager Lynn Cody regarding discrepancies in the pay of Joelene Weeks with previous pay and current pay. Chairman Colvard seconded the motion.
8. Secretary Odom made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Chairman Colvard seconded the motion.

Juanita Colvard, Chairman

Steve Odom, Secretary