

Meeting Minutes
Chatham County Board of Registrars
September 22, 2021

The WebEx board meeting was called to order promptly at 12:01 p.m. with a quorum, followed by a recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance. Board of Registrars in attendance were Chairman McRae, Ms. Andrews, Ms. Durso, Ms. Geiger and Mr. Norse. Staff members in attendance were Ms. German, Director, Aimee Petrea, and Simone Greene.

Chairman McRae called for a motion to approve the minutes of the August 25, 2021 meeting. Ms. Geiger moved to approve the minutes of the meeting as provided to the Board members prior to the meeting. Mr. Norse seconded the motion and the minutes were approved unanimously.

Old Business

Election Prep for the upcoming November 2021 Election:

Four new temporary staff members started Monday, September 20th and are being trained on absentee ballot request mail outs and the absentee ballot process. On September 29th customer service representatives will begin training to assist with the early voting process. On October 4th – 8th clerical training for early voting staff begins.

The election flyer is completed. Early in-person voting begins October 12th through October 29th. The hours for the Main office hours are 8:00 a.m. – 6 p.m. The hours for early in-person voting for the satellite sites: Mosquito Control, Civic Center, Islands Library, Southwest Library are 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Weekend Voting Location:

Early voting will be held Saturday, October 16, 2021 from 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., October 23, 2021 from 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., and Sunday, October 24, 2021 from 12:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. for Main Office location only.

Dropbox Location

Chatham County have been approved for 3 drop boxes: Main Office, Islands Library, and Mosquito Control. Drop boxes are opened only during the hours of the early voting. The drop boxes will be located inside the early voting room. Absentee ballot applications returned to drop boxes will still be processed.

Office Expansion

Absentee Ballot Processing Center is not completed yet. Currently waiting for camera parts to be installed. Absentee Ballot Processing Center will be available for 2022 elections.

New Business

National Voter Registration Day

Tuesday, September 27th is National Voter Registration Day. A press conference will be held to discuss details about upcoming election, as well as, encourage people to register to vote.

Registration Totals

As reported by Ms. German, the totals are as follows for Chatham County:

227,021	Registered Voters broken down by categorization:
207,136	Active
19,885	Inactive
147	Pending

Challenges and Deletions Hearing

Voter challenges presented were 22 felons, 27 deceased, 11 requested for a total of 60 voters challenged. Notification was mailed out in regards to their challenge and how to dispute the challenge to their right to vote.

Chairman McRae asked if any of the people challenged were on the call or in the office. No one was present or on the call to object to any of the challenges. Mr. Norse made a motion to instruct staff to go ahead with deleting the 60 challenged voters. Ms. Andrews seconded the motion. There was no discussion.

The meeting adjourned at 1:00 p.m.