

**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF CARTERET
1510 LIVE OAK STREET
BEAUFORT, NC 28516
December 20, 2006**

The Carteret County Board of Elections met this date at 9 AM in the Board of Elections office. All three board members were present along with Director Lindy Lewis and Deputy Director Alva Gillikin.

Chairman Henderson called the meeting to order at 9 AM.

Member Verdon made a motion to approve the minutes as written for the following dates:

November 15, 2006

November 17, 2006

November 20, 200

November 27, 2006

November 29, 2006

December 5, 2006

December 8, 2006

Motion was seconded by Secretary Rivers. Motion passed, 3-0.

Chairman Henderson called for public comment. There were no members of the public present.

The next item for discussion was the approval of the 2007 meeting schedule. Director Lewis presented the board with three different versions of a schedule. Each version has a mandated meeting in July and August which meets GS 163-31 for board organization and poll worker appointments. Member Verdon made a motion that the board adopt a schedule for monthly meetings on the third Wednesday of each month. Secretary Rivers stated he would prefer that the board continue to meet twice a month as he stated the board had attempted to meet less frequently in the past which, in his opinion, led to board members not being as informed as necessary. Chairman Henderson stated that he would like for the board to meet only when justifiable. Chairman Henderson called for a vote on Member Verdon's motion. Motion failed 2-1 with Chairman Henderson and Secretary Rivers voting against the motion. Chairman Henderson made the motion that the board adopt a 2007 meeting schedule of bi-monthly meetings on the first and third Wednesdays of each month with the exception of July and August 2007 which have meetings that are mandated by date and time. The motion further stated that during the period of time prior to the October 2007 and November 2007 elections, regular meetings will be combined with scheduled absentee meetings as the board will be discussing election-related topics. Secretary Rivers seconded the motion. Motion passed, 2-1 with Member Verdon voting against the motion. A copy of the approved 2007 meeting schedule is attached to the minutes.

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Director Lewis informed the board that the next “Elections Process and Precinct Officials Certification Course” is being offered at Carteret Community College beginning March 17, 2007 – April 28, 2007. The course will be offered for a morning and an afternoon session on Saturdays with the exception of April 14, 2007 due to the Easter holiday. Director Lewis stated she had been contacted by the college and asked to teach the course. She has received confirmation from County Manager John Langdon through the Human Resources Department that this would be acceptable as outside employment. Director Lewis asked for the board’s input and endorsement for this new endeavor. The SBOE has provided counties with an approved curriculum for the course and stated at the recent Durham Directors Conference that the goal of the SBOE is to have at least one certified precinct official per precinct. The board was in agreement that Director Lewis would be the most qualified to teach the course and would be allowed to use the training equipment for hands-on teaching during the class.

Chairman Henderson called for board comments. Secretary Rivers stated that he had received several calls regarding the differing totals from the original totals and the recounts. Member Verdon stated that she had also had several concerns voiced to her regarding these totals. Chairman Henderson stated that he had spoken with Owen Andrews, President of PrintElect while in Durham regarding the paper jams experienced during the machine recount possibly due to the diverters and the issues previously experienced with the Model 650 counter. Mr. Andrews indicated that he would send a technician, at no charge, to the county to evaluate the diverters and 650 if the board would submit a detailed work order. Chairman Henderson asked Director Lewis to contact Mr. Andrews regarding these issues.

There being no further business, Chairman Henderson adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Bill Henderson, Chairman

Harry Rivers, Secretary

Sue Verdon, Member

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**Carteret County Board of Elections
2007 Meeting Schedule**

The Carteret County Board of Elections will continue to meet on the first and third Wednesdays of each month beginning January 17, 2007. The Board meets at 9 AM **(unless otherwise specified)** in the Elections office at 1510 Live Oak Street, Beaufort, NC 28516. The board will also combine regular and absentee meetings during the months of September, October and November 2007. The following are the regular meeting dates for 2007.

January 3rd and 17th

February 7th and 21st

March 7th and 21st

April 4th and 18th

May 2nd and 16th

June 6th and 20th

July 17th at 12 Noon (per G.S. 163-31 organizational meeting)

August 21st (per G.S. 163-31 to appoint precinct officials)

September 5th

September 19th (absentee and regular meeting)

October 2nd and 15th (absentee and regular meetings)

November 6th and 12th *(absentee and regular meetings)

December 5th and 19th



The Board will post a separate schedule for the October and November 2007 absentee meetings.

Time to be announced

Bill Henderson, Chairman
Carteret County Board of Elections