

**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF CARTERET
1510 LIVE OAK STREET
BEAUFORT, NC 28516
February 15, 2006**

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

Member Verdon made the motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Chairman Henderson. Motion passed, 3-0.

Director Lewis updated the board on budget preparations and provided copies of the proposed budget. Chairman Henderson and Director Lewis will be meeting with the Finance Department on February 16, 2006 at 3 PM to discuss. Board members were asked to contact the Director prior to that time if they would like to make any revisions to the proposed budget.

Director Lewis updated the board on the poll worker certification course which will be offered by Carteret Community College. Tentative dates are March 11th – April 8th with testing the following week. CCC will initially offer two class times (morning and afternoon) on these Saturdays if each class meets the minimum enrollment of eight.

Deputy Director Gillikin told the board she had received a letter from Elizabeth Ritchie, Chief Judge of the Davis precinct. She requested that the Democratic Judge from her precinct be approved to work in her place as Chief Judge during the November election as she will be out of the country. Chairman Henderson made the motion that the board approve this request once a letter has been received from the Democratic party chair with his approval. Secretary Rivers seconded the motion. Motion passed, 3-0.

Chairman Henderson called for public comments. There were none.

Chairman Henderson then called for board comments. There were none.

Director Lewis updated the board on the information the staff had been able to provide to Mr. Allen Windley who was present at the board meeting held on February 1, 2006. Director Lewis had researched the bill that Mr. Windley was interested in and had printed the history for him from the Attorney General's website. The board was also updated on the status of renovations at the office. A HAVA compliant ramp has been installed at the front of the office. Public Buildings' staff is currently working on office space for employees. Director Lewis

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reminded board members that the March 1st meeting has been cancelled. The only meeting for the month of March will be on March 8th, 2006 due to SBOE training seminars.

Secretary Rivers made the motion that the board move to Closed Session pursuant to GS 143-318-11 for the permitted purpose of discussing a personnel issue. Member Verdon seconded the motion. Motion passed, 3-0.

The Board returned to Open Session. No action was taken.

As there was no further business, Chairman Henderson adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

**Bill Henderson
Chairman**

**Harry Rivers
Secretary**

**Sue Verdon
Member**