

**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF CARTERET
1510 LIVE OAK STREET
BEAUFORT, NC 28516
August 2, 2006**

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

Chairman Henderson called the meeting to order.

Minutes from the July 21, 2006 meeting were read and approved. Secretary Rivers made the motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Member Verdon. Motion passed 3-0.

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

Preparations for the November 7, 2006 general election was the next item on the agenda. Director Lewis requested that the board pass a resolution allowing the time for absentee meetings be moved from 5 PM to 3 PM and also that an additional meeting date of Monday, November 6, 2006 be added to the schedule. Director Lewis also requested that the time be moved from 5 PM to 2 PM on election day for the board to begin counting absentee ballots. The board has followed this same schedule for the past two elections. Secretary Rivers made the motions to make these changes, seconded by Member Verdon. Motions passed 3-0. Motions are attached to these minutes. Director Lewis also requested that the board consider not utilizing modem transmissions for the upcoming general election. Counties were not allowed to use the modems during the May primary by the SBOE. Director Lewis stated that there has been no official word on the use of modems for this election nor any training. Director and staff are currently working on training materials for the poll worker classes and have not had any instruction regarding the use of the modems. Director Lewis stated she would like to focus on areas that poll workers have requested additional training. Director Lewis felt that municipal elections in November 2007 might be a better time to implement modem transmissions. She also stated that phoning in the results seem to work well for the poll workers during the last election, other than the lines being busy at the Elections' office. Director Lewis stated that the office will have four incoming lines during this election versus the two lines available during the primary election. Staff has also been working with ES&S to utilize a monitor in the public access area of the Elections' office so that results will be continuously updated as they are manually entered into the system. All three board members agreed that the office staff will wait to begin any implementation of the modem transmissions until after the staff feels they are adequately trained by ES&S. Director Lewis noted that she,

Katie Muns, and Secretary Rivers will be attending the voting equipment training course in Asheville and the issue may be addressed by the SBOE at that time. She also stated that Chairman Henderson and Deputy Director Gillikin will be attending the course pertaining to residency issues while in Asheville.

Chairman Henderson called for the director's report. Director Lewis provided board members with information received from the SBOE regarding the Director's Conference which is being held in Asheville on August 13 – 15, 2006. She also stated she had received a proclamation release from the Governor's office proclaiming September as "Citizens Voter Registration Awareness Month."

Chairman Henderson called for board comments. Secretary Rivers and Member Verdon stated they had no comments at this time. Chairman Henderson stated he would like to inquire about student assistants. Director Lewis stated that she had contacted Amy Strange at the SBOE to request information regarding this program. She also stated that she had contacted Chris McGinn, instructor for the precinct officials' certification course, regarding Guilford County's program. Mr. McGinn implemented this program in their county and will be meeting with Director Lewis in Asheville to share information. Chairman Henderson requested information regarding the certification course regarding enrollment numbers. Director Lewis stated she has not spoken with Ms. DeCampo, with CCC, since the new class dates were set regarding numbers. Ms. DeCampo has mailed enrollment forms to all poll workers and ballot counters from past elections. Director Lewis stated she would contact Ms. DeCampo before the next board meeting to inquire on enrollment numbers. Chairman Henderson also inquired on the status of the referendum item regarding incorporation of Harkers Island. He was concerned about the time constraints regarding ballot printing. Director Lewis stated that this item is on the agenda for the commissioners' August 14th meeting. She has spoken with Neil Whitford, attorney for the group, who is working with the office to provide the information needed as quickly as possible.

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

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Respectfully submitted

Bill Henderson, Chairman

Harry Rivers, Secretary

Sue Verdon, Member

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**CARTERET COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS
NOTICE OF CHANGE IN TIME AND ADDITIONAL ABSENTEE MEETING**

WHEREAS, the Carteret County Board of Elections has the statutory authority to change the time for holding absentee meetings and add additional meetings pursuant to North Carolina General Statute 163-230.1 (c1);

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Carteret County Board of Elections will meet at 3 PM (if necessary) at the Board of Elections office, 1510 Live Oak Street, Beaufort, NC on the following dates for the purpose of acting on applications for absentee ballots;

October 17, 2006

October 24, 2006

October 31, 2006

November 1, 2006

November 6, 2006

Any other business transacted by the Board will be done at this time.

ADOPTED, this is the 2nd day of August, 2006.

**Bill Henderson, Chairman
Carteret County Board of Elections**

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**Resolution of the Carteret County Board of Elections
Concerning the Counting of Absentee Ballots**

On August 2, 2006 the Carteret County Board of Elections met and adopted the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Carteret County Board of Elections that the Carteret County Board of Elections shall meet at 2:00 PM on Election Day; Tuesday, November 7, 2006 at the Board of Elections Office, 1510 Live Oak Street, Beaufort, NC 28516 to count absentee ballots. Any voter of the county may attend this meeting and observe the count. The results of the absentee ballot count will not be announced before 7:30 PM on that day.

**Bill Henderson, Chairman
Carteret County Board of Elections**

AFFIDAVIT REQUESTED

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