

**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF CARTERET
1510 LIVE OAK STREET
BEAUFORT, NC 28516
March 21, 2007**

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.

Member Verdon made the motion to approve the minutes as written for February 21, 2007. Motion passed 3-0.

Chairman Henderson called for public comment. There were none.

Secretary Rivers stated that he would like to go on record by stating that he felt that the board will be in a mess if voting is continued at the fire department in Beaufort 1. He stated that he had recently driven by the site where the new development is taking place and felt that the fire department could not continue to accommodate voters without problem. Director Lewis provided board members with a copy of her notes for the meeting which have been attached to these minutes. Chairman Henderson suggested that the board visit the fire department and other potential sites for the polling place. All three board members along with the director and deputy director visited the fire department and Ann Street United Methodist Church. Chairman Henderson spoke with Pastor Eric Lindblade, who stated that the trustees had discussed the possibility of the BOE utilizing their facilities as a polling site and that they were not in favor at this time. The Boys and Girls Club, Bridgeway Church of Nazarene, and the former Beaufort Elementary School cafeteria were also viewed. Secretary Rivers made the motion that he recommended moving the polling site from the Beaufort Fire Department as soon as possible, provided a suitable location can be found. Motion passed, 3-0. The board directed office staff to actively pursue information regarding the Boys and Girls Club and the former Beaufort Elementary School cafeteria as a polling site. Both of these sites will require SBOE approval as they are located out of precinct.

Director Lewis had requested that the April 18th meeting be cancelled. Secretary Rivers was not in favor of canceling the meeting. Chairman Henderson requested that the board wait and make a decision on April 4th regarding whether to cancel or reschedule the meeting. He further stated that he will be out of town on April 18th and would prefer that the board not meet on that date in his absence.

Director's Report: See attachment.

Chairman Henderson called for board comments. Member Verdon stated she had received several calls regarding treasurer training. She stated that several organizations have treasurers that need to take the training and wanted to know

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when this would be offered. Director Lewis stated that she and staff are in the process of working with the SBOE regarding training. We will attempt to offer training within the county or at least within a neighboring county for participants and will provide this information to both party chairs. Neither Chairman Henderson nor Secretary Rivers had any comments.

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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Notes for Board Meeting

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Beaufort 1 - I have spoken with Terri Parker-Eakes, Town Manager of Beaufort, regarding the Beaufort 1 polling site. Ms. Parker-Eakes stated that the police department will be able to block off Gordon Street for voter parking during the November municipal election. She stated that the town officials would be willing to do whatever is necessary to accommodate continued voting at the fire department during municipal elections. She will make the necessary arrangements with town departments prior to Election Day. I also spoke with Mamre Wilson, Chief Judge of Beaufort 1, who stated that she also felt that voting could be handled smoothly at the fire department if parking for voters was made available.

I would like to request that the meeting for April 18th be cancelled with the only meeting for April being on the 4th. I will be out of town April 6th - 13th and the entire office staff will be in High Point April 15th - 17th.

Director's Report

The Elections Process and Precinct Officials' Certification Course began this past Saturday and will continue through April 21st. We currently have 26 students but can continue to register students through this Saturday, March 24th. 20 of the 26 are currently appointed poll workers.

Our budget presentation with county commissioners is set up for Tuesday, March 27th at 2 PM.