May 03, 2022 **Absentee Meeting Minutes**

The meeting was called to order on May 03, 2022 at 5:00 p.m. at the Cumberland County Board of Elections board room by the Chair.

Present: Helen Nelson - Chair

Billy King - Member Linda Devore - Member Irene Grimes - Secretary

James Baker - Member

Staff: Angela Amaro, Vickie Hillburn

Guests: Amanda Turnmire, Sandra Walker, Sally Shutt

ACTION: Secretary Grimes moves that the Board approve the agenda.

Second: Member King Vote: Unanimous in favor

Staff member Hillburn presents thirty eight absentee ballot envelopes (35 Civilian; 2 Overseas, 1 Military) that have been received and reports that the staff recommendation is to approve them. Board members spot check the envelopes.

Staff member Hillburn also reports that as of May 03, 2022; 3:00pm 3,964 voters had cast votes at One Stop (Early Voting Sites).

ACTION: Secretary Grimes moves to approve the seventeen absentee ballots presented by staff following their recommendation.

Second: Member Devore Vote: Unanimous in favor

The thirty eight ballots were entered into the tabulator, bringing the total absentee ballot count on the DS200 to 68.

ACTION: Member Devore moves that the Board enter into a closed session in order to discuss a personnel matter.

Second: Member Baker Vote: Unanimous in favor

The Board entered into closed session at 5:16pm The Board returned from closed session at 5:35pm

ACTION: Member Grimes moves to charge the Cumberland County Human Resources Department to move forward with inviting candidates for further interviews.

Member Devore offers a friendly amendment to direct the Human Resources Department invite the five finalists we identified for further interviews for the position of Director of Elections.

Second: Member King Vote: Unanimous in favor.

Adjournment

Motion: Member Grimes Second: Member King

Chair Nelson adjourned the meeting at 5:36 p.m.

Submitted by,

Irene Grimes, Secretary

Helen Nelson, Chair

Linda Devore, Member

James H. Baker, Member

Billy King, Member