

# BOARD OF REGISTRATION AND ELECTIONS APPROVED MINUTES

### **SPECIAL MEETING – APRIL 4, 2023**

The Fulton County Board of Registration and Elections met in Special Session on Tuesday, April 4, 2023, at 2:00 p.m.

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**Presiding:** Honorable Cathy Woolard, Chairperson

#### **Other Board Members Present:**

Mrs. Teresa Crawford, Vice Chairperson
Dr. Kathleen Ruth
Mr. Aaron Johnson

#### **Absent Board Member:**

Mr. Mark Wingate

#### #1- APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Chairwoman Woolard entertained a motion to approve the agenda. The motion was made by Vice Chair Crawford, seconded by Dr. Ruth, and carried by a vote of 4-0.

No Public Comment during Special Called Meeting.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### #2-UPDATE ON THE SPECIAL ELECTION FOR HOUSE DISTRICT 68

- Governor signed Executive Order to fill the vacancy
- ➤ **District 68** encompasses Fulton and Fayette County

**Director Williams** greeted the Board and reported on the upcoming Special Election:

- Due the passing of the Late House of Representative Letitia "Tish" Naghise
- Governor Kemp signed an Executive Order on March 17, 2023
- L&A testing is posted on the Website and open to the public
- The date selected was not outlined in the 2023 Election Calendar year
- House District 68 impacts over 22,000 Voters in Fulton County
- Cities impacted: Fairburn, South Fulton, & Union City
- (1) Advance Voting locations
- (7) Election Day Polling Locations are assigned to District 68

Dr. Ruth asked Director Williams to explain the calculations used to determine the polling locations

**Director Williams** explained that the listed precincts are assigned to that district and the **DRE** is mandated to use unless precinct changes are conducted to alter

**Mr. Johnson** asked when does qualifying of this election ends

**Director Williams** answered tomorrow (April 5<sup>th</sup>)

**Chair Woolard** inquired about the implementation of the upgraded Poll Pads for this election and training of personnel on the equipment

**Director Williams** responded yes, both training and the implementation are complete to conduct this election

#### #3- APPROVAL OF PRECINCT CHANGE

➤ 1.23: SC07C Bear Creek Middle to SC211/212 Oakley Elementary School

**Directors Williams** reported that this change impacts (4) voters, proposing to consolidate SC07C with SC211 and SC212.

Chairwoman Woolard entertained a motion to approve the precinct change as listed. The motion was made by Mr. Johnson and was seconded by Vice Chair Crawford and carried by a unanimous vote of 4-0.

# #4- APPROVAL OF ADVANCE VOTING LOCATION FOR THE SPECIAL ELECTION, MAY 16, 2023

House of Representative; District 68

- ➢ Gladys S. Dennard Library @ South Fulton
- Proposed Dates: April 24- May 12, 2023
  - Monday- Friday: 9am-6pm
  - Mandatory Weekend: April 29-30<sup>th</sup> and May 6-7<sup>th</sup> Saturday: 9am-6pm and Sunday: 12pm-5pm

Mrs. Benjamin requested approval of the listed Advance Voting (Early Voting) location and operational hours.

Chairwoman Woolard entertained a motion to approve the Advance Voting location and hours, as listed. The motion was made by Vice Chair Crawford and was seconded by Mr. Johnson and carried by a unanimous vote of 4-0.

**Dr. Ruth** expressed excitement on hearing the feedback on the Poll Pads for this election and allowing poll workers to assess the process (pilot program)

**Director Williams** responded that roundtables will be conducted and feedback will be presented to the **BRE** for Advance Voting and Election Day.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

<u>Chairwoman Woolard entertained a motion to adjourn. Mr. Johnson moved to adjourn the meeting. Dr. Ruth seconded the motion.</u> Collectively, the Board agreed to adjourn at 2:21 p.m.

The meeting adjourned.

Prepared by:

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