MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF REGISTRATION AND ELECTIONS DEKALB COUNTY July 13, 2017

The DeKalb Board of Registration and Elections convened to conduct its monthly meeting on July 13th, in the Absentee Area at 4380 Memorial Drive with Board Chair Samuel Tillman presiding.

Present: Michael Coveny, Board Member

Leona Perry, Board Member

Bennett Bryan, Assistant County Attorney

Maxine Daniels, Director

Erica Hamilton, Assistant Director

Mary Frances Weeks, Administrative Assistant

Absent: Anthony Lewis, Board Member

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Mr. Tillman called the meeting to order at approximately 4:30 PM and asked for approval of the agenda. There were no changes or additions and the agenda was adopted.

Minutes

A motion was made by Mr. Coveny to approve the minutes as written from the June 26th meeting. Ms. Perry seconded the motion. Mr. Tillman stated the motion was made and seconded. The question was called and the minutes were approved.

Comments from the Public -- None

<u>Challenges</u> - Director Maxine Daniels presented the following challenges with staff recommendation for removal.

- A) Garett S. Hiday -- The Board was provided with a request from Stanley W. Zieg, who lives at the registered address, stating that Mr. Hiday does not live there, along with our challenge letter, which was returned undeliverable. A motion was made by Mr. Coveny to remove Garett S. Hiday's name from the DeKalb County voter rolls. Ms. Perry seconded the motion. Mr. Tillman stated the motion was made and seconded. The question was called and the motion was approved.
- B) <u>Pamela Lewis</u> -- The Board was provided with an e-mail from Ms. Lewis stating that she has moved to Louisiana and has registered to vote there. A motion was made by Mr. Coveny to remove Pamela Lichele Lewis's name from the DeKalb County voter rolls. Ms. Perry seconded the motion. Mr. Tillman stated the motion was made and seconded. The question was called and the motion was approved.

Mr. Tillman inquired about deceased and felony challenges and Ms. Daniels explained that the law has relaxed somewhat and we now only have to challenge if there is not official notification.

<u>Precinct Changes</u> – Ms. Daniels explained that because of continuous annexations, boundary changes are ongoing to separate unincorporated voters from the respective municipal voters. She further explained that boundary changes also have to go before the Board of Commissioners for approval. The Board was provided with explanation sheets and maps of all of the proposed changes as follows:

A) Emory South & Johnson Estates – Ms. Daniels explained that these changes are the result of annexation by the city of Atlanta. A motion was made by Mr. Coveny to approve the changes. Ms. Perry seconded the motion. Mr. Tillman stated the motion was made and seconded. The question was called and the motion was approved.

- B) Margaret Harris Ed & Woodward Ms. Daniels explained that these changes are the result of annexation by the city of Brookhaven. A motion was made by Mr. Coveny to approve the changes. Ms. Perry seconded the motion. Mr. Tillman stated the motion was made and seconded. The question was called and the motion was approved.
- C) Pleasantdale Road, Embry Hills & Tucker -- Ms. Daniels explained that this is the result of annexation by the city of Tucker and is an addendum to an earlier request. A motion was made by Mr. Coveny to approve the changes. Ms. Perry seconded the motion. Mr. Tillman stated the motion was made and seconded. The question was called and the motion was approved.
- D) Livsey Elem & Tucker -- Ms. Daniels explained that this is the result of annexation by the city of Tucker and is an addendum to an earlier request. A motion was made by Mr. Coveny to approve the changes. Ms. Perry seconded the motion. Mr. Tillman stated the motion was made and seconded. The question was called and the motion was approved.
- E) Wadsworth Ms. Daniels explained that this polling place relocation is due to Rockbridge Elementary School no longer being available. A motion was made by Mr. Coveny to approve the change. Ms. Perry seconded the motion. Mr. Tillman stated the motion was made and seconded. The question was called and the motion was approved.

Ms. Daniels further explained that we have been requested to move from seven DeKalb County schools due to overcrowding and we are struggling to find alternate locations. Mr. Tillman indicated that he would speak with either the School Superintendent or Board Chair about this issue and requested that he be provided with the list of schools that we are being asked to vacate.

<u>Unfinished Business</u> – None

New Business -

- A) Fifth Member appointment Due to the absence of two members, Ms. Perry made a motion to table the Fifth Member appointment until the August meeting. Mr. Coveny seconded the motion. Mr. Tillman stated the motion was made and seconded. The question was called and the motion was approved.
- B) Stonecrest Resolution Ms. Daniels advised the Board that the City of Stonecrest does not yet have an executed IGA with DeKalb County to allow us to conduct their elections. We have received their resolution requesting us to conduct their election; plus the one today asking us to handle their qualifying, as well, since Stonecrest does not have a City Clerk who has gone through certification. Staff recommendation is for Board approval. A motion was made by Ms. Perry to approve both requests in the absence of the IGA. Mr. Coveny seconded the motion. Mr. Tillman stated the motion was made and seconded. The question was called and the motion was approved.

Information Items Included in Packet: (Reviewed by Board members with comments)

A) Work Performed in Office

Mr. Tillman commented on the number of registration applications processed, and Ms. Daniels replied that this was primarily the result of new procedures with the DMV, whereby everyone who renews or gets a driver's license is automatically registered to vote unless they request not to be.

Comments from the Board - None

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.