

**BURKE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTONS**  
**2128 SOUTH STERLING ST. SUITE 100 MORGANTON NC 28655**  
**TUESDAY JANUARY 14, 2020**  
**REGULAR SESSION MINUTES**

Attending: Chairman LH Kirksey, Linda Walker, Sandi Walker, Anthony Iovino, Trossie Wall, and Director Debbie Mace.

Guest: Pam Genant

Chairman Kirksey called the meeting to order at 10 AM, led the members in the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silence.

There were no public comments offered.

Sandi Walker made a motion to approve the agenda as presented, All approved. The board members read the minutes of the December 10, 2019 regular meeting. Linda Walker made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, All approved.

**Business:**

Linda Walker had asked for travel expenses approved for board members in previous budgets. Director Mace provided a list for the past four fiscal years. FYI from Director Mace, the cost for training and travel breaks down to about \$800.00 per person.

1- Amount to be requested for 2020-2021 budget;

After discussion, Linda Walker made a motion to request \$14,000.00 for travel and training for board members, for one half of the board members and one half of the staff to attend one training session per fiscal year, for the 20/21 budget.

Voting Aye; Chairman L H Kirksey, Linda Walker, Sandi Walker, and Anthony Iovino. Nay; Trossie Wall

FYI attending August 2 -4, 2020 training by SBOE;

Board members, Chairman LH Kirksey, Sandi Walker, & Linda Walker, Staff; Director Mace, Misty, & Steve.

2- 20/21 budget request for change of part time status for Election Specialist I;

Linda Walker made a motion to request a change from part time status to full time status for the part time Election Specialist I. All approved.

3- Pay increase for One Stop Election workers;

Sandi Walker made a motion to increase the pay for one stop election workers to \$9.00/ hour and the chief judge pay to \$11.00/hour making their pay rate comparable to surrounding counties. All approved.

4- Additional cost for paper ballots.

After a presentation by the Director concerning a memo from SBOE, Sandi Walker made a motion to inform the Commissioners, the County Manager & the Finance Director of the additional cost the Board of Elections expects to incur for ballot coding and a from a memo dated 01/10/2020 from the SBOE Executive Director requiring the County Boards of Elections to print ballots for all registered voters in the county for the March Primary. All approved.

Anthony Iovino made a motion to email this information to the county officials. All Approved.

FYI Voter ID

Director Mace updated the board on the latest rules on Voter ID from the most recent court decision.

Trossie Wall made a motion to acknowledge the board had been informed by the SBOE the County Board of Elections can no longer provide Voter ID Cards per the judges ruling. All approved.

Anthony Iovino made a motion to go into closed session to discuss personnel matters at 11:29 AM. All approved.

Chairman LH Kirksey resumed the open session at 12:11PM.

With no further business to address, Trossie moved to adjourn at 12:11PM. All approved.

Submitted by Sandi Walker, Secretary