Wayne County Board of Elections

306 East Pine Street

Jesup, Georgia 31546

Date: February 10, 2025

Chairman; Josh Griffin

Member; Iman Johnson

Member; Dawson Trapnell

Supervisor; Robby Smart

Election Clerk: Beth Thompson

Minutes of:

February Meeting of the Wayne County Board of Elections:

The Meeting of the Board of Elections was called to order by Chairman Josh Griffin on Tuesday, February 10, 2025, 6:00 pm. Members present were Iman Johnson, Dawson Trapnell, Supervisor Robby Smart and Election Clerk Beth Thompson.

Guest present were Drew Davis and Larry Brantley.

Supervisor Robby Smart opened the meeting in prayer.

Chairman Griffin lead the Pledge.

Old Business

The first item on the agenda was to approve the minutes of the December Board of Elections Meeting. Mr. Trapnell made the motion. Ms. Johnson 2nd. All in favor.

The next item was to approve the minutes from the January meeting. Mr. Trapnell made the motion. Chairman Grifin 2nd. All in favor.

New Business:

The board approved the by-Laws of the Board of Elections and Registration. Mr. Trapnell made the motion. Chairman Griffin 2nd. All in favor.

Supervisor Smart spoke on Challenged voters that are in the system. He stated that there were 7 of them. He also stated that he had spoken to the state liaison about the issue and a form letter was typed up for all the challenged voters to receive. He stated that they would be sent out this week and that they would have 5 business days to respond. If the voters do not respond, then the board will have a hearing at the next meeting to discuss what the next step would be. He stated that the board could decide whether to cancel or make the voter inactive until the issue was fixed.

Chairman Griffin stated that a Chairman, Vice Chair and a secretary need to be appointed. Mr. Trapnell made motion to Elect Josh Griffin as acting Chairman. Ms. Johnson 2nd. All in favor.

Chairman Griffin made the motion to elect Mr. Trapnell as Vice Chair. Ms. Johnson 2nd. All in favor.

Chairman Griffin made motion to elect Ms. Johnson as Secretary. Mr. Trapnell 2nd. All in Favor.

Supervisor Smart brought the idea of social media to the Board. He stated that it would be a good way to communicate with the public. It would be used for informational purposes only. He stated that if the Board wanted to start a Facebook page that he would make sure that information was placed on it. Mr. Trapnell made the motion to proceed with making a Facebook page. Ms. Johnson 2nd. All in Favor.

Items with Supervisor:

Supervisor Smart stated that he and Ms. Thompson would be attending a training in Dallas, GA at the end of April. It was something being done by the Secretary of State’s office. He also mention to the board about the GAVERO Conference coming up in August in Savannah. He stated that it possibly will be done virtual but would not know that until closer to the date. Chairman Griffin and Mr. Trapnell stated that they would be going. Ms. Johnson stated that she would let me know as soon as possible.

Items with Board:

There was none

Chairman Griffin made motion to adjourn. Mr. Trapnell 2nd. All in favor.

The next meeting of the Board of Elections and Registration will be held on Monday, March 10, 2025 at 6:00 PM at the Elections Office 306 East Pine St. Jesup, GA 31546.

Reporting:

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Supervisor of Elections

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