



Grady County Board of Elections & Registration
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The Grady County Board of Elections and Registration (BOE&R) held their June monthly meeting at 5:30 PM at the Grady County Courthouse located at 250 North Broad Street, Cairo, Ga 39828 with the following board members present:

Renee Gee-Theophille: Chair
Sandy Reagan: Board Member
Bobby Gwaltney: Board Member

Staff present:

Jason Tate, Elections Supervisor
Melinda Butler, Elections Clerk

Chair Renee' Gee-Theophille called the meeting to order, thanked everyone for attending, Bobby Gwaltney gave the benediction.

Renee' requested the agenda be approved, approval carried by all signifying aye. Chair Gee-Theophille asked members to review the May meeting minutes, approval carried by all signifying aye.

Chair Gee-Theophille turned the meeting over to Elections Supervisor, Jason Tate. Jason stated that the only thing that will need amending on the agenda is the discussion of the budget, he will be sending out a copy to review at the member's convenience. The amendment carried by all signifying aye.

Jason informed the board members that we will have to have a meeting after the election, prior to 3 p.m. on Friday, this is per the Georgia 183-1-12.12. Basically, it is to cure any provisional ballots, he stated that he was not foreseeing more than one or two, if this is the case it shouldn't be a very long process. But we also have to review the precinct returns, a meeting needs to be held for this, it was decided to hold a meeting on Friday, June 20 at 10 a.m.

Jason stated that the election has to be certified Monday, he also stated that he needs to figure out a few items because the rule still says it's certified by the superintendent, supervisor. But, the board has to basically review and say that everything's good. But there may be a change that I didn't see somewhere else where the board actually has to certify it. Because I think that's the point of having the board here on election day, 6 p.m., polls don't close till 7. So we're doing early tabulation, which is what we're advertising in the paper, so that those absentee ballots will be open then. So far, we have eight. We have eight ballot applications. We've only had two returned. It means y'all basically could be done at 7 o'clock, if you started at 6, knocked those couple out of the way, you'd be done by 6:05, 6:10. Once 7 o'clock rolls around, you're not going to get no more ballots in at that point.

Sandy asked if we should be here at 5:30 then? Jason answered with As long as you're here prior to 6 o'clock. So I would say at least a few minutes early to make sure you're here, you know, that we can start at 6 o'clock. Because it may be at that point, Melinda running it because I may be at one of the precincts. So she can get it started until you return, And that's just assuming that I'm out and about. If I don't have any problems, then I'll be back here, of course. And then we will have Denise somewhere.

Jason briefly spoke about the budget, but more to be discussed at the next board meeting.



Renee' opened the floor is open for any new business or urgent matters that anybody may have. She did have a question about a quorum to certify the returns, she was assured there would be a quorum. No public comments.

The next regularly scheduled board meeting will be held on July 7, at 5:30 p.m.

Renee' adjourned the meeting at 5:50 p.m. and reminded everyone to vote.

Renee' Gee-Theophile, Chair

Sam Carnline, Vice-Chair

Kathy Mills, Secretary
Member

Sandy Reagan, Board

Bobby Gwaltney, Board Member