**Meeting Minutes**

**Chatham County Board of Registrars**

**December 28, 2022**

The December 2022 Chatham County Board of Registrar’s meeting was called to order promptly by Chairman McRae followed by a recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance. The Board of Registrars in attendance were Mr. McRae, Mr. Norse, Ms. Andrews, Ms. Durso. Ms. Geiger attended via WebEx. The staff members in attendance were Director, Sabrina German and Inger Bostick.

**Approval of Minutes**

A motion was made to approve the Board of Registrars meeting minutes for the months of September, October, October Special, and November. Board Member Geiger moved to approve meeting minutes for September, October, and November as provided to the Board Members prior to the meeting and made a motion to revise the October Special meeting minutes pertaining to the Code Section OCGA 21-2-230. Board Member Durso seconded the motion and it was carried unanimously.

**Old Business**

**Run-off Election Wrap up**

A total of 30,024 ballots were cast for in-person early voting in the December Run-off Election

December 6th Total Daily Average

Main Office 11638 1663

Civic Center 5469 912

Islands Library 3624 725

Mosquito Control 3636 727

Southwest Library 5657 1131

Total 30024 5158

The number of absentee ballots placed in the 3 Drop Box locations is listed below:

Main Island Mosquito Total

2547 196 140 2883

A total of 8,589 absentee ballots were mailed and 6,910 absentee ballots were cast in the December Run-off Election.

**SEB Hearing**

The case was referred to the Attorney General’s office.

**Challenges – Helen Strahl**

Helen Strahl challenged individuals within the county during the October 10th special meeting. Several individuals have updated their addresses since the October special meeting. The board instructs staff to process all voter registration applications received since the voter registration deadline and cross-reference those applications with the list of challenged voters. The challenged individuals that have not submitted a voter registration application or updated residential information will be discussed in the January monthly board meeting.

**New Business**

**Challenges – Helen Strahl**

Helen Strahl challenged individuals within Chatham County based on these individuals being NCOA. Each challenged individual was mailed a challenge letter as well as a voter registration application. The challenge hearing is scheduled for January 25 at 12:00 p.m.

Ms. German received an email from the Secretary of State’s office regarding Ms. Stahl submitting a complaint against the Board of Registrars. The complaint is in regard to previous challenges and duplications. Ms. German is reviewing and gathering information for further investigation; the documents will be sent to the Secretary of State’s investigator.

**GARVIS Training**

GARVIS training will be held from January 3rd through January 6th in Athens, GA. Four staff members will be attending the training.

**GAVERO**

GAVERO training will be held from February 12th through February 15th in Jekyll Island, GA.

**Registration Totals**

As reported by Director German, the totals are as follows for Chatham County:

231,043 Registered Voters are broken down by categorization:

200,009 Active

31,034 Inactive

217 Pending

**Deletions**

Voter challenges presented were 56 felons, 72 deceased, and 14 requested to be removed from the voter list for a total of 142 voters challenged. These individuals received mailed notifications in regard to their challenges. At 1:25 p.m., Chairman McRae asked if any of the people challenged were on the call or in the office. No one was present or on the call to object to any of the challenges. He entertained a motion to instruct staff to go ahead with deleting the 142 challenged voters. Board member Norse made a motion to instruct staff to go ahead with deleting the challenged voters. Board member Durso seconded the motion and the motion was carried unanimously.

**Public Discussion**

Helen Strahl stated there were a few inactive voters that voted in the General Election in November and these voters are still showing as inactive rather than updating to active. Helen Strahl also states that she found deceased and duplicate voters and has emailed the list to Ms. German.

The meeting adjourned.