

**ELECTORAL BOARD OF MIDDLESEX COUNTY  
MINUTES OF SCHEDULED MEETING  
105 BOWDEN ST  
SALUDA, VIRGINIA 23149-0358**

Date: March 30, 2021

Time: 10:00 AM

Call to Order

Chairman Cockrell called the meeting to order.

Roll Call

Those present included:  
Barbara Cockrell, Chairman  
John Scott, Vice Chairman  
Melford Placilla, Secretary  
Melissa Welch, Registrar  
Hope Burke, Assistant Registrar  
Alva Bray, Assistant Registrar  
Hallie Holmes, Democratic Party Chair  
Lynda Muller, Republican Party Chair  
Kevin Gentry, IT Director

Agenda

Chairman Cockrell moved to amend the agenda because the previous meeting minutes had not been reviewed by the Electoral Board. were in favor, and the motion was carried. Chairman Cockrell stated all Electoral Board members, staff, party chairs and public are attending via electronic communications. The purpose is to prepare for the June 2021 Democratic Primary Election.

Registrar's Report

Registrar Welch reported as part of the County's budget, the possibility of offering a high deductible health plan along with a Health Savings Account as a new employee benefit. Two candidates have filed for Board of Supervisors; John Knootz for Hartfield District and Greg Chambers for Saluda District and neither are qualified. No candidates have filed for School Board in either Hartfield or Saluda District's. IT Director, Kevin Gentry, has created an interview with two vendors providing election security plans. This interview will include Middlesex, as well as other surrounding localities. CERA training will be held in-person in Virginia Beach, VA June 2021. Registrar Welch reported on new election laws passed in legislation.

New Business

Training of the OOE will be offered through a ZOOM training. ELECTs online training can be offered as makeup training, if necessary. Training will be held Saturday, May 22, 2021 at 9 AM. The ZOOM ID will be included in the OOE training packet. In person training of election equipment will be held Wednesday May 26, 2021 at 10:00 A.M. and 6:00 P.M. Vice Chairman Scott will put together a slide show presentation detailing the use of the Urbanna United Methodist Church (UUMC) as a polling precinct. Registrar Welch will reach out to UUMC for a response to the letter of acceptance for the use of the facility for elections.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Chairman Cockrell declared the meeting adjourned at 10:58 AM.

Roll Call

Chairman Cockrell, "Aye"  
Vice Chairman Scott, "Aye"  
Secretary Placilla, "Aye"

Next Meeting

No future meeting date was set.

Signatures

Barbara Cockrell, Chairman\_\_\_\_\_

John C. Scott, Vice Chairman\_\_\_\_\_

Melford Placilla, Secretary\_\_\_\_\_