

AMENDMENT

(The 22 January 2013 minutes have been amended)

ADMENDMENT TO THE MINUTES, LENOIR COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS, 6:34 P.M. ON 22 JANUARY 2013 AT ELECTION HEADQUARTERS, 110-C SOUTH HERRITAGE STREET, KINSTON, NC [File: AmendmentBOEMin22Jan2013]

Present: Chairman Sharon L. Kanter, Secretary Oscar E. Herring, Board Member Kimberly B. Allison, Elections Director Dana W. King, and County Attorney Robert (Bob) Griffin (file: BOEMinutes22Jan2013)

Chairman Kanter called the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m. The Chairman stated that, in accordance with NCGS 163-35(b), the purpose of the meeting was to inform the Elections Director that the Board will submit a petition on Wednesday, 1/23/2013, to Gary Bartlett, Executive Director of the NCSBOE, requesting the termination of the Lenoir County Elections Director, Dana W. King.

Attorney Griffin advised the Board that they should take formal action to approve the petition; a motion and a second. On a motion by Oscar E. Herring, a second by Kimberly B. Allison, and unanimous approval of the petition to request that Gary Bartlett, Executive Director of the NCSBOE terminate the employment of Dana W. King as the Elections Director for Lenoir County. Mrs. King stated to the Board that she was sorry it had taken them two years to succeed in what they had set out to do. Mrs. King stated that when you get out in the public and talk, people listen and they are fast to spread what they have heard. Mrs. Kanter asked Mrs. King if she knew and understood the process of a petition to terminate. Mrs. King responded that she does know the process.

Attorney Griffin advised the Chairman that she should duplicate the petition and the Schedule of Enclosed Documentation Exhibits because, he reminded the Board, upon approval by the Board the documents become matters of public record and, as such, available to any citizen who requests a copy. Mr. Griffin further stated that in any copies distributed to the public, Schedule of Documentation Exhibits #1 and #12 must be redacted because they are confidential personnel documents. He then stated that he would like a copy, and Mrs. King requested a copy. The Chairman then asked Mrs. King for the code to the copier, which Mrs. King stated. Mrs. Kanter stated that, due to the large volume of attachments and the length of time in copying them, she would prefer to deliver the attachments to Mr. Griffin and Mrs. King the next day, Wednesday, January 23. Mr. Griffin and Mrs. King stated their agreement. The Chairman excused herself briefly from the meeting to make copies of the documents and, on her return to the meeting, provided copies to Board Secretary Oscar E. Herring and Board Member Kimberly B. Allison for their review.

Following the Board members' review of the petition, the Chairman asked if there were any questions. No questions were heard in response, and the question on the motion was called. On unanimous approval of Mr. Herring's motion, the petition was adopted. Copies of the petition were then distributed to Dana W. King, Elections Director and Robert (Bob) Griffin, Lenoir County Attorney.

Secretary Herring requested clarification that he could prepare the minutes and, after approval by the Board, the minutes could be posted on the website. Attorney Griffin responded “action was taken in open session and they can be posted on the website.”

Attorney Griffin advised the Chairman to send one signed hard copy of the petition and Schedule of Enclosed Documentation Exhibits and a .pdf-formatted copy of the same documents attached to an email message to Gary Bartlett, Executive Director of the NCSBOE and to Don Wright, General Counsel for the NCSBOE.

The meeting adjourned at 7:04 p.m. on a motion by Oscar E. Herring, a second by Kimberly B. Allison and unanimous approval.

These minutes were electronically approved by the Board Members on 29 January 2013.

APPROVED 29 JANUARY 2013:

Sharon L. Kanter
Chairman

Kimberly B. Allison
Board Member

Oscar E. Herring
Secretary

