

Friday, January 17, 1992 8:15 A. M.

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections held an open meeting at the Board's Office in the Government Center, Newton, N C on January 17, 1992. The meeting convened promptly at 8:15 a.m. The purpose of this meeting was to review the 1992/1993 operating Budget prepared by the supervisor.

Present: David Abernethy (David); Bill Hasty (Bill), Albert Yount (Albert).

Meeting called to order by David and minutes of November 7 and December 11, 1991 approved and signed by Albert.

Board policies were discussed. Some typing errors were changed in Board Official Policies. One major policy change is: Party Chairpersons can now ask for and receive both voter lists and have observers present at polling places if they so desire and request one or both in writing to the Board in the time allowed for such requests.

The Board received a letter from the Catawba County Board of Education notifying the Board of the resignation of David White, a member of the Board of Education. David explained that the vacancy could be filled by the Board itself until next election, then the unexpired term would be filled by the voters choosing whomever offers themselves for election to the unexpired term.

Bill proposes the following changes to the pay scale of poll workers, this being necessitated by the recent change in the minimum hourly pay scales for persons working in North Carolina:

Registrars	from current	\$85.00 election day to \$100.00
Judges	from current	\$75.00 election day to 85.00
Assistantes	from current	\$60.00 election day to 65.00

The above pay scales were approved by the full Board.

The 1992/1993 operating budget was discussed by line item. The budget was approved and an additional half time office person was requested as a part of that budget.

David reported a conversation with the County Manager stating that the additional half time person was most likely to be approved by the County Commissioners at their February 3, 1992 meeting. The County Manager stated that his approval of the half time position would be accompanied by a drastic reduction of part time hours in the Board office.

David presented the Board with a letter from the County Manager (entered as part of these minutes) stating generally that he was concerned by the personal tone of the letter. Albert asked to see the letter. This was done. The letter in question was from Bill to the County Manager and stated that he felt his integrity had been called into question and informed the County Manager of the Board's meeting this date and requested his presence at this meeting. Bill responded to the Board that he had talked to the County Manager about the half time position in early December 1991 and that the County Manager desired a statement from the full Board stating that the request (for the half time position) was from the full Board. This letter was sent by David to the County Manager on December 11, 1991, and Bill was under the impression that the half time position request would be taken to the County Commissioners in early January 1992. This not occurring, Bill then mailed a letter to the County Manager, typed on Board of Election letterhead outlining certain greivences he had with the overall general procedure of the Board's request and stated (generally) his displeasure

with the County Manager and felt his integrity had been questioned. The County Manager's reply, among other items, advised the Board that he would be in his office this day to receive any member of the Election Board. David expressed general displeasure with Bill using Board of Elections letterhead to write the County Manager and wants any future words or correspondence concerning the half time matter to come from the Chairman. Albert expressed concern at Bill using Board of Election letterhead without the Board's knowledge or approval and stated to Bill that his summoning the Chief Executive Officer of Catawba County to a meeting was unmitigated arrogance. Albert stated that he had known the County Manager for many years and that he had always granted any request of The Board's for funds, space, or any other Board requests, and that he thought the County Manager to be a top administrator and friend to the Board of Election.

Both David and Albert pointed out to Bill that he was certainly entitled to his beliefs but when he used Board letterhead stationary to correspond with any person(s), then the correspondence gave to the receiving party(s) the appearance of coming from the full Board, via an individual Board member. Bill said he accepted the reprimand. David and Albert stated there was no reprimand. Bill then apologized to the Board for using Board letterhead for a letter without conferring with other Board members and said this would not be repeated. Bill again pointed out his frustration with the county's dragging their feet approving and funding the half time position and pointed out the time frame of telephone calls to the County Manager, letters from the Board to same, and feels he was justified in his critical words of the County Manager. David told Bill that that was the very reason he should go see the County Manager this very morning and straighten out their differences. David repeated the words, "Go see the man". Ultimately a motion by David, second by Albert to require that any statement on behalf of this Board with regard to the half time position with the County Manager or anyone else, including the County Commissioners be made solely by the Chairman. Motion approved.

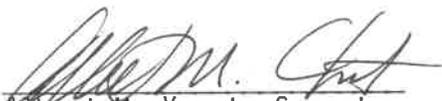
A voting irregularity in the East Newton precinct on election day past was noted and discussed. David related conversations he had with the State Board relative to the matter and related their instructions as to how to handle the matter. The three East Newton precinct officials are to be asked to appear before the Board for an explanation at a later date.

The Board then went into Executive Session to discuss personnel matters.

The Board returned to regular session and stated that decision had been reached to ask the County Personnel Department to advertise for the half time position. The Board asks to review the advertisement before submittal to the public.

Deputy Supervisor Huffman was asked by the Board if she was interested in the half time position vice her current full time position, if the half time position became funded. She stated she was interested and would accept the half time position if same were offered to her. The Board offered her the half time position as of the date the newly hired begins work.

There being no further business, the Board adjourned at approximately the noon hour.


Albert M. Yount, Secretary

In other business brought up at the beginning of this meeting, was that David shared with the board members of a kind letter from the chairman of the County Commissioners "thanking the members of this Board for their services."

Tuesday, February 4, 1992 8:15 A M

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections met in the Board's office in Newton at 8:15 a.m. February 4, 1992.

Present were: David Abernethy (David), Bill Hasty (Bill), Albert Yount (Albert).

Meeting called to order by David. Minutes of previous meeting were corrected and approved. Re-wording of conversations by David with County Manager were approved. Bill Moved, Albert seconded to approve the previous minutes as corrected. All aye.

The Board welcomed Mr. Gardner Johnson of the County Personnel Office. Mr. Johnson pointed out what the Personnel Office could do in the way of assistance to the Board relative to advertising, accepting applications, and presenting the Board members with specific questions to question each applicant for the full time position the Board will be advertising for in the near future. The Board asked the Personnel Office to receive all applications and make recommendations as to finalists for the position. Albert asked that the Board itself review all applications. Mr. Johnson stated "this would not be a problem". The Board approved advertising for the position and decided to close applications as of February 17, 1992.

A letter request from the Town of Long View was read by David. The Town of Long View requests the County Board to conduct their municipal elections. David suggested that the State Board should be contacted relative to the request. Since Long View is in both Catawba and Burke Counties, the Board agreed to request clarification from the State Board. Long View is to be so informed.

David related his results of contact with the Registrar and both Democrat and Republican Judges of the East Newton Precinct relative to a voting discrepancy there in the last election. The name of a person who voted a PTV was entered in poll book & registration book, but did not vote twice. It was a simple honest mistake. The person actually voted as a Precinct Transfer Voter in the Board Office and their name was entered on the precinct poll book by mistake. The Board decided to close the investigation, but to write the precinct officials involved and inform them that they are not to enter precinct transfer voters in their poll book.

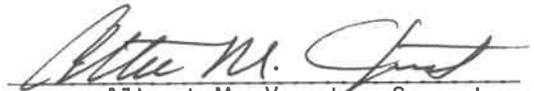
David made motion to count absentee ballots at 2:00 p.m. May 5, 1992. Albert seconded. All ayes.

Bill presented a request from Ms. DeHart, Chairperson of the Republican Party to appoint Linda Whitener as Registration Commissioner. Bill so moved, Albert seconded. All ayes. Ms. Linda Whitener was appointed.

David shared and read a letter from Mr. Bob Hibbits relating that he was concerned of being notified and reminded at a late date as to his need to file his campaign financial report. Mr. Hibbits stated that he had been late with his financial report last year and had been so reminded by the State Board of Elections and he did not want this to occur again this year. The Supervisor stated that she had been informed by Yvonne that mailing of annual financial report reminders to candidates was not required and was a courtesy. Bill presented a copy of materials received from State Board Election's Dec. 1991. The said materials stated that the reminder was a requirement of the Local Board. David read same and said "this requirement appeared to be the case. David was instructed to write Mr. Hibbits of this situation.

David informed the Board that it now appeared he would not be in the County for the May 5, 1992 primary and Bill and Albert would have to conduct the election and count absentee votes.

Albert requested to leave the meeting early due to business commitments. The request was granted.


Albert M. Yount, Secretary

The Board discussed taking returns for the May 5, 1992 elections. The Supervisor was requested to find out what resources the County has available, such as: Portable Boards and Projectors.

The Board adjourned.

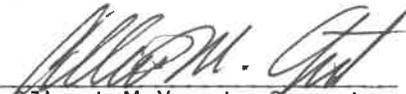

Bill Hasty

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Bill Hasty

February 3, 1992 Let the minutes show:

Albert Yount telephoned Bill Hasty at his home. Discussion was about the salary of the part-time and full time deputy supervisor positions at the Board's office.

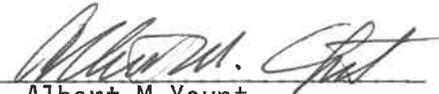
No further matters were discussed.


Albert M Yount, Secretary
Catawba County Board of Elections.

February 5, 1992 Let the minutes show:

Albert Yount received a telephone call at his business office from David Abernethy. David stated he has discussed the situation relating to notification of due date for candidates financial reports by the Catawba County Board of Elections. David stated that the State Board had informed him this date that notification of when financial reports were due was required of local boards and was not optional.

David stated it appeared to him that a letter of apology was due Mr. Bob Hibbits relative to his being notified late of the fact that the report was due. Albert concurred that a letter was called for and gave his approval for David to draft and forward same to Mr. Hibbits.


Albert M Yount

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February 20, 1992 Thursday 8:15 A M

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections met at the Board's office in Newton at 8:15 A M on February 20, 1992. Present: David Abernethy, (David), Albert Yount (Albert), and Bill Hasty (Bill).

Meeting called to order by David. Minutes of the previous meeting were amended and approved.

Bill moved to go into Executive session. Albert seconded. All ayes. The Board went into Executive Session. Results of Session: No action was taken.

The supervisor was directed to file Mr. Bob Hibbitts' letter of complaint (received earlier) with Mr. Hibbitts annual report file. A letter of apology prepared by David (and issued by the full Board) to Mr. Hibbitts was also directed into this same file.

The supervisor stated that she was concerned about the Hibbitts situation and had called a Yvonne Southerland at the State Board Office and that Southerland had given her (the supervisor) suggestions that would be helpful to persons with on-going campaigns. The supervisor stated that she plans to implement the suggestions.

The Board received applications of several persons for the full time position of Deputy Supervisor. Board members are to look over the applications and decide at the next meeting, who and when applicants would be interviewed.

Bill reported on a money saving idea to the Board and asked if the Board desired him to continue his efforts in this direction. The two other Board members answered in the affirmative. The savings would center around the Board renting mobile phones on a daily basis for precincts and avoid the costly hook-up fees charged for that service. Bill is to report further about this situation at a later meeting.

Discussion was opened concerning the place for taking returns from the precincts in the future. Decision was made to receive returns at the Justice Center (Grand Jury and Jury Assembly rooms) vice the 1924 Courthouse.

Albert asked the supervisor to see to it that all lights were to be turned on and doors unlocked at the Justice Center and also to secure the above named jury room for the upcoming primary election. The reason for the request was that at the last election, no one seemed to know who was to turn on the lights and unlock the Justice Center doors. Albert asked what was being done relative to the building of a room in the Government Center basement to store the voting tabulators. The supervisor stated that County maintenance crews were currently completing the project.

Albert asked that the Board's letter of apology to Mr. Hibbitts be forwarded to the State Board of Elections with a request that same be placed in his file there for future reference. The other Board members concurred.

Lynda DeHart, Republican Party Chairman recommended Rebecca Wright as a Registration Commissioner. Motion, second: All ayes.

David moved to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel matters. Albert seconded. All ayes. The Board moved into Executive Session. Note is made that Mr. Hasty did not participate in the Executive Session.

The meeting adjourned by motion and second with 3 ayes.



Albert M. Yount, Secretary

Wednesday, February 26, 1992 8:15 a.m.

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections met in the Board's office at Newton on Wednesday, February 26, 1992 at 8:15 a.m. Members present were David Abernethy, Bill Hasty and Albert Yount.

Minutes of the previous meeting were not read.

Bill Hasty moved that at this time to take up items 3 and 4 on the agenda and dispense with items 2 and 5 until next meeting. No action taken as item 5 needed to be acted on.

Motion was made by David Abernethy to appoint Dana B. Lingerfelt as Registrar in St. Stephens 1 #28 as recommended by Lynda DeHart, Chairman of the Catawba County Republican Party. This motion was seconded by Albert Yount and unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Bill Hasty to appoint Mildred Schnebelt as Republican Judge in Conover West #7 as recommended by Lynda DeHart, Chairman of the Catawba County Republican Party. This motion was seconded by Albert Yount and unanimously approved.

David Abernethy advised the other two board members of the status on the "Right to Resign Statute." That it had been ruled unconstitutional. The supervisor presented each with a copy of what she received from the County Manager that he received from the County Commissioners Association.

The supervisor presented a request for absentee ballots from a couple with a residence in Hickory, N.C. and now residing in Germany. She asked for guidance. This request was discussed thoroughly. Motion was made by Bill Hasty to write them and tell them that "if their permanent address is in Germany, we don't consider them residents of Catawba County and therefore they are not eligible to vote in Catawba County. No action taken. Motion was made by David Abernethy to write them "since they are registered unaffiliated that by law they may vote in the Republican Primary if they want". We are not going to presume that is what they want to do. That if they choose to vote the Republican Primary Ballot, to write us again requesting same. This motion was seconded by Albert Yount and unanimously approved. Mr. Yount requested the letter be sent Air-Mail. Mr. Hasty suggested that the Board should make a policy that anything going over-seas should go air-mail as recommended by the State Board. Action approved. There were two motions on the floor pertaining to the letter. Mr. Hasty yielded to David Abernethy's motion.

A petition from the Libertarian party was given to David Abernethy for his certification. It contained one name and the Board was paid the sum of five cents (.05).

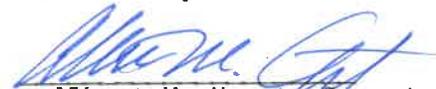
The supervisor requested of the chairman "if he wanted to sign the certifications of candidates running for State House and State Senate", that is required to be mailed to the State Board on March 2, 1992. He advised to use his stamp.

The supervisor presented cost as requested from the purchasing department about Opaque projectors and a list of what the MIC could do for this office in the May primary. This discussed thoroughly. David Abernethy suggested for the Primary we use the TV monitors and a White Board. Motion was made by David Abernethy to buy one (1) "white" board. Albert seconded.

The purpose of this meeting was to review the applications for a Deputy Supervisor as received from the Personnel Department, choose the ones to interview and set the ground rules. There were 37 applications and the Board chose to interview 5, those being: Wanda Mode, Beverly Marlow, Linda Locke, Ricky Bowman and Kary Warren. Mr. Abernethy suggested that Personnel write those not being interviewed and this office would do the five. He dictated the letter that is to be sent. The form of interviews was discussed thoroughly with statements from all three as to what they thought should be looked at. Bill Hasty recommended that David make up a list of what he would like to ask or test of skills given and FAX to Albert Yount and himself. Mr. Yount stated that he wanted a more or less impromptu interview. He wanted to hear what they have to say to him. Mr. Abernethy agreed that "you will get more honest questions if you haven't prepared them". The supervisor advised that a typing test was not necessary. Our letters are usually form and we use the copier, then fill in blanks. Mr. Hasty thought that a typing test would be difficult, all typewriters different. Mr. Abernethy advised the staff, they were not to answer any questions pertaining to the interviews. In discussion, it was agreed that the interviews would be March 3, 1992 beginning at 8:30 a.m. and every 30 minutes thereafter. Mr Hasty made the motion to take the applicants in alphabetical order. This motion was seconded by Albert Yount, with remark that the applicants would not have to be here until their appointment. The supervisor was requested to have typewriter set up with paper and example of what they will type. The interviews will be done in the Board room.

Motion was made by Bill Hasty that the March 3, 1992 interview meeting, that nothing else be on the agenda. To this, Mr. Abernethy questioned about approving minutes as there will be two (2) meetings of minutes. This was left open. Mr. Abernethy stated "he did not want to get behind with minutes."

There being no further business, Bill Hasty moved to adjourn.



Albert M. Yount, Secretary

Tuesday, March 3, 1992 8 A. M.

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections met in the board room of the Catawba County Board of Elections on Tuesday, March 3, 1992 at 8:00 a.m. Members present were David Abernethy, Bill Hasty and Albert Yount.

The members were given rough draft of the previous meetings.

It was unanimous to appoint Nancee D. Stinson as a Special Library Registration Deputy as a replacement for an employee no longer with the Catawba County Library.

The purpose of this meeting was to interview applicants for the Deputy Supervisors position. It was unanimous by all members that the person hired would have a 90 day probationary period.

Motion was made by David Abernethy to go into Executive Session to interview the applicants. They are as follows: Ricky Bowman, Linda Locke, Beverly Marlow, Wanda Mode and Karey Warren. This motion was seconded by Albert Yount and unanimously approved. Upon completion, the Board came out of Executive Session at 12:15 p.m. No action taken.

It was unanimous to adjourn.


Albert M. Yount, Secretary

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Wednesday, March 4, 1992 4:30 p.m.

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections met at 4:30 p.m. at the Siecor Building in Hickory, N. C. Attending were David Abernethy, (David), Bill Hasty (Bill), and Albert Yount (Albert).

Motion by Bill Hasty to honor the request of Ms. DeHart, Republican Party Chairman to appoint Dianne Huffman as special registration commissioner. David questioned whether Diane Huffman was the wife of David Huffman, High Sheriff of Catawba County. Bill answered affirmatively. David questioned the other Board members as to whether David Huffman was a candidate for re-election this year. Their answers were negative. The Board voted 3 ayes to appoint Diane Huffman as special registration commissioner.

The Board decided to instruct the supervisor try to secure a space in the Justice Center for the Board's instructional meeting on April 16, 1992 vice changing that meeting date due to a scheduling conflict associated with using the assembly room in the Government Center.

David moved, Albert seconded to move into Executive Session to discuss personnel matters. Three votes aye. The Board moved into Executive Session.

The Board came out of executive session into regular session. Action taken was The Board agreed to extend the offer to Mrs. Linda Locke the position of Deputy Supervisor pending satisfaction remaining requirements.

David moved, Bill seconded to adjourn. Three ayes. Meeting adjourned.


Albert M. Yount, Secretary

March 17, 1992 Meeting

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections met at 8:15 a.m. on March 17, 1992 in the Board's office in Newton, N. C. Present were David Abernethy (David), Bill Hasty (Bill) and Albert Yount (Albert).

Meeting to order by David.

Minutes of March 3 and March 4, 1992 were approved as modified.

Clarification to the Supervisor's question reference action taken following the Executive Session of March 4, 1992 is as follows:

The Board adjourned from Executive Session on March 4, 1992 and reports the following action from Executive Session: 1 - Ms. Linda Locke is to be extended an offer of employment as Deputy Supervisor to the Catawba County Board of Elections. Motion by David, Seconded by Albert. Three votes aye.

Minutes of the following meetings were approved as amended:
February 26, 1992; February 20, 1992.

Discussion followed re the useage of cellular telephones during the upcoming primary election. Bill reported several options and requested that Carolyn Huffman be assigned the task of finding out the pros and cons of cellular vice land line telephones for the several precincts. David said Mrs. Huffman was a part time person and should remain so as he felt the County Administrators had been led to believe Mrs. Huffman's job was part-time and not full time. The situation of cost and availability of cellular service vice land line service was referred to the County's Purchasing Director for further study and the Board will reflect on that person's findings when made available to the Board.

The following absentee applications were approved:
C-1, M-1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 22, 23, 24, 25, 27, 28, 29, 30, & 31.

The Board decided to mail Republican ballots to U.S. Military personnel so far requesting ballots. Those persons are to be sent an explanation of their right to vote the Republican ballot if they so choose. These personnel did not indicate a party preference on their request for ballots. The Board felt that to mail an explanation of the voter's rights to vote in the Republican primary and the subsequent return of request(s) from persons desiring to so would take more time than the deadline of requests for the proper ballots. Therefore, the Republican ballots were sent in event the person desires same.

The same situation existed and the same ballots were mailed with explanation for M-4, M-8, M-21 and M-26.

All ballot facsimiles were approved by three ayes. Board members signed all approved facsimiles. David reported that he had checked with the County Republican Chairperson and she (Ms. DeHart) had no problem with the layout of the above approved ballots, with respect to the Republican ballots.

Precinct transfer voting was discussed with Bill and Albert thinking that beginning with the upcoming May primary each precinct would conduct precinct transfer voting. Time for State Board approval of this situation had come and gone.

The Board directed the supervisor to write the State Board and request that no matter the deadline passing, the Catawba County Board ask for permission to conduct precinct transfer voting within each county precinct. Vote called on the above. Albert and Bill Aye - David abstained. Vote carried.

Motion by Albert and Second by Bill to appoint the following persons as Democrat special registration commissioners (same were recommended by John Cilley, Democrat Party Chairman): Lisa Lutz, Patricia Davis, Crystal Davis, John Lee Harris, John Parrish and Deborah G. Parrish. Supervisor reported all were registered voters in Catawba County. All Ayes. All appointed.

The supervisor presented the State Board's reply to the County's Board's letter reference holding of elections for the Town of Long View. The Board decided to study this matter and review the situation at its next meeting.

Motion by David and second by Albert to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel classifications. All ayes. The Board moved into Executive Session.

The Board reconvened into Public Session and adjourned.



Albert M. Yount, Secretary

Tuesday, April 7, 1992 8:15 A. M.

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections met on Tuesday, April 7, 1992 in the office of the board of elections at 8:15 a.m. Members present were David Abernethy, Bill Hasty and Albert Yount.

The secretary distributed copies of previous minutes to each board member. One minor correction was made to the spelling of Mrs. Locke's name. Motion was made by David Abernethy to approve the minutes as corrected. This motion was seconded by Albert Yount and unanimously approved.

Mickey Hylton, Systems Administrator for MIC was in attendance to give information to the Board regarding what MIC could do for the Board in displaying results for the May 5, 1992 primary election. Mr. Hylton had prepared 5 items his staff could do. The Board unanimously chose 3 items. Those being:

1. T V monitor at the Justice Center in the Grand Jury Assembly Room.
2. Micro computer at the Justice Center in the Grand Jury Room.
3. Computer terminal at the Government Service Building in the Elections board room.

David Abernethy moved that for all races with fewer than 5 slots be displayed 5 seconds, 5 or more slots leave for 7 seconds. When program for November general election, will make decision for each individual race. This motion was seconded by Bill Hasty with the amendment to program into skipping some races. This was unanimous.

The Board discussed wiring of Courtroom 1 for displaying results in November. In conclusion it was unanimous to request MIC to wire courtroom 1. It was also agreed that a memo be given MIC that the display time on the TV monitors would be the responsibility of the Board of Elections and MIC would simply be carrying out their (board of elects) directions.

Motion was made by Albert Yount to approve the following absentee applications and container envelopes:

C-2, C-3, C-4, C-5, C-6, C-7, C-8, C-9, M-32, M-33, M-34, M-35, M-36, M-37, M-38, OS-1 and OS-2. This motion was seconded by Bill Hasty and unanimously approved.

The phone situation was discussed as each member had copies of the quote from Centel and was compared to the last cost for elections phones. It was agreed to use the current system for May 5, 1992 and to ask the staff to:

1. Negotiate lower rate from current system.
2. How much to purchase cellular, or rent on daily rate.

This to be done between now and November.

The PTV method of voting was discussed thoroughly. It was unanimously agreed that Highland Precinct #16 would be a "Satelite" PTV location in addition to the Board office. Motion was made by Albert Yount that the precinct transfer assistance in Highland #16 precinct would be paid \$100.00 for that day. This motion was seconded by Bill Hasty and unanimously approved. The supervisor was requested to find the best person she could for this position and thoroughly train him/her.

The supervisor presented a letter to the Board from The City of Conover regarding posting of electioneering signs in the up-coming elections. Bill Hasty made motion to write a reply to the City of Conover advising that the Board acknowledges receiving their letter, but take no position regarding the wisdom or legality of the subject matter. This was unanimous.

The subject of conducting the Town of Long View's elections was delayed until next meeting.

Motion was made by Bill Hasty to appoint the following:
Barbara Meadows as Democrat Judge in Kenworth #12 precinct,
Lois Barringer as Democrat Judge in South Newton #32 precinct,
Earl Johnson as Democrat Judge in West Newton #39 precinct, Willie R. Smith as registration commissioner,
and Hugh Johnson as Registration commissioner as recommended by John Cilley chairman of Catawba County Democratic party and also,
Sherry Isenhower as temporary registrar in Conover East #8,
Anna Kaylor Spencer as temporary republican judge in Conover East #8,
Janet Baca as republican judge in Highland precinct #16,
Pamela Farmer, registrar for West Newton #39 precinct and
Margaret Lawing as republican judge of West Newton #39 precinct as recommended by Linda DeHart, chairman of the Catawba County Republican Party.

The Board of Elections supplies left in courthouse was discussed. It was agreed to have all supplies moved by 5/31/92. Bill Hasty made motion that any public notices on bulletin Boards be removed after one (1) year. This was unanimous.

A "training schedule" for Linda Locke was discussed briefly. Bill Hasty moved the proposed schedule be adopted immediately David Abernethy proposed that the supervisor take a copy and give them input at the next meeting as she had not seen this schedule as presented from Bill Hasty.

There being no further business, David Abernethy moved to adjourn. This was unanimously agreed.


Albert M. Yount, Secretary

Tuesday, April 10, 1992 8:15 A.M

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections met in the office of the board of elections on Friday, April 10, 1992 at 8:15 a.m. Members present were David Abernethy and Bill Hasty. Albert Yount asked to be excused.

Minutes of previous meeting were given each member. Mr. Abernethy asked that 2 places in paragraph 4 be changed to: after "7 seconds", put a "period". After the word "election", put a "comma". Motion was made by Bill Hasty to approve. This was unanimous.

Motion was made by Bill Hasty to approve absentee applications and container envelopes as follows:

C-10, C-11, OS-3, OS-4, OS-5, OS-6, OS-7, OS-8 and OS-9
This motion was seconded by David Abernethy and unanimously approved.

The supervisor presented a request for applications and ballots from residents in Catawba Valley Nursing Home of which each resident individually signed. David Abernethy made motion to accept the request, send application and ballots to each person individually, and each name be in the board minutes. They are: Helen McNeely, Freda Hass, Ruth Deal, W. Corine Wingate, Ruby Rash, Esther Dykes and Mary M. Miller. This was unanimous. One person, Lora Gilbert requested, but is not registered.

Mr. Abernethy prepared a letter to the State Board on the matter of conducting the Town of Longview Municipal Elections and it was mailed this date. Election to be conducted solely by Catawba County, and request advice from the State Board. Also requested was a well drafted contract to use as a similar model.

The supervisor requested to purchase a typewriter for the full time deputy supervisor as the one she is using is old and needs maintenance often, and a correcting feature is needed, if money can be transferred. This was discussed. It was unanimous to approve this purchase.

Two voter registrations were examined. 1. Mr Phillip Boger under oath stated he had been convicted of a felony but citizenship restored in early 70's in Rowan County. He did not present a citizenship restoration. This was unanimously approved. The other, a Jeffrey L. Deal admits felony conviction, a note attached said "he would call our office with particulars". This was provisionally approved. Mr. Abernethy advised to process the application and he will check on it if do not hear in a couple of days.

The hours of the 1/2 time employee were discussed again. It was agreed that she could work the hours needed if did not go over budget.

A Memo from the State Board of Elections about the Unaffiliated Voter was presented to members present. It was agreed as in the past the place a notice on wall in each precinct advising what an unaffiliated voter can do if they wish to vote on primary day.

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The instructional meetings were discussed. They previously were scheduled for April 16, 1992 and April 21, 1992. Since April 16, 1992 is on Maundy Thursday, the meetings were changed to Tuesday, April 21, 1992 and April 23, 1992 in the meeting room of the Catawba County Government Center at 7:30 P.M. It was suggested to send each party chairman a notice.

The supervisor advised the Board that Tim Watson, Maintenance Supervisor is to contact her about a FAX Machine for Grand Jury Room in Justice Center. The mark and wipe Board was discussed. Mr. Hasty had some suggestions about how to hang it and where. The supervisor requested Mr. Hasty to share his ideas with Mr. Watson when it was ready. He replied " be glad to".

Old Business: The deputy supervisor's training was discussed. Mr. Abernethy requested of the supervisor to give an approximate time frame of when each item might be accomplished. She replied " would be very difficult as we are constantly learning, but would do the very best she could in teaching all items this year.

There being no further business, David Abernethy moved to adjourn. This was unanimous.


Bill Hasty, Acting Secretary

April 17, 1992 Friday 8:15 A M

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections met in the office of the board of elections on Friday, April 17, 1992 at 8:15 a.m. Members present were David Abernethy, Bill Hasty and Albert Yount.

David Abernethy, chairman called the meeting to order.

Motion was made by Bill Hasty to approve minutes of previous meeting after 2 typo's being corrected. Each had copies prior this meeting. This motion was seconded by David Abernethy and unanimously approved.

The purpose of this meeting was to review absentee applications and container envelopes. Motion was made by David Abernethy to approve the following:

C-12, OS-10 through OS-16, A/B-2, A/B-4, A/B-12, A/B-13, A/B-18, A/B-19, A/B-20, A/B-21, A/B-22, A/B-23, M-39 and M-40

This motion was seconded by Albert Yount and unanimously approved.

Bill Hasty made motion to approve C-13 for Sharon B. Abernethy. This motion was seconded by Albert Yount. 2 voted aye, David Abernethy abstained (as the application was for his wife).

Os-17 was discussed at great length. Mr. Roland Ring by own admission stated he did not live in Catawba County, that he lived in Burke County. Has voted in Catawba County for about 20 years. He lives in Hickory, N C. Motion was made by Albert Yount to disallow the absentee ballot for Mr. Roland Ring, write him of the decision. Bill Hasty added a friendly amendment that his name be taken off the voter registration books. Vote call. 2 ayes. David Abernethy voted no, the Ayes have it. (He was not certain that is is legal, and voting solely for that reason.)

C-14 application filed for by his mother was discussed. Mrs. Betty Huss made application for her two sons. C-12 was o.k. C-14 for Scott Huss was thoroughly discussed because Mrs. Huss stated Scott did not live here. He was not in school, working for IBM and living in Raleigh, N C. Motion was made by Albert Yount to approve the application. This motion was seconded by David Abernethy. Vote call. 2 ayes. Mr. Hasty voted no. Motion was made by Bill Hasty to send Mr. Scott Huss a letter asking him if he was a resident. The motion died for lack of a second. In further discussion it was agreed to send him an information letter stating what his mother had said, and state for him to please be sure you are registered where you are supposed to.

Let the minutes show that all the campaign reporting letters in reference to Report #2 Pre-Primary were mailed this day.

Motion was made by Bill Hasty to approve the following precinct officials as recommended by their respective party chairmen:

Scottie Wyant, temporary Registrar for Banoak #2
 Richard Fish, Registrar for E Newton #10
 Sherry Pitts, temporary Registrar for College Part #11
 Sue Laney, Registrar for N Newton #25
 Rachel Tucker, temporary Registrar for Sandy Ridge #30
 Margaret Hahn, temporary Republican Judge for Sandy Ridge #30
 Kathy Johnson, Registrar for Startown #34
 Olive Kaylor, Democrat Judge for Greenmont #13

Bobby Peeler, temporary Democrat Judge in Sandy Ridge #30
Sarah Caldwell, Democrat Judge in West Newton #39

This motion was seconded by Albert Yount and unanimously approved.

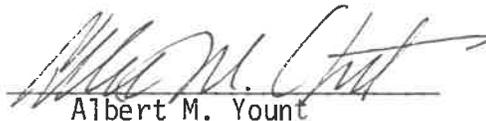
Mr. Hasty reported to the board that Alan Dula, the Republican Judge in Ridgeview precinct had advised him, he would not be able to continue in this position. The supervisor was advised to contact him and see if he intends to work 5/5/92.

The supervisor advised the board of other vacancies that Mrs. DeHart was working on and had requested the office to help. Longview 1 #17 is always a problem and for this reason, the Board briefly discussed merging Longview 1 #17 and Longview 2 #18. This to be discussed more in depth after the primary.

The displaying of candidates on the new mark & wipe board was discussed. Bill Hasty made the motion to purchase another board as the current one only has places for 20 names. This motion died for lack of a second.

The supervisor advised the Board that the Board could borrow the FAX machine from the communication center and Steve Hedrick would see it was taken to the Grand Jury Room. In further discussion, it was decided, if the Board could, could it be left where it is and the Board have no more than 2 runners to go to the communication center and get the call-in sheets. It would save the county approximately 90.00.

Motion was made by Bill Hasty to adjourn. Albert Yount seconded, unanimously carried.


Albert M. Yount

April 21, 1992 Tuesday 7:00 P.M.

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections met in the office of the board of elections on 4/21/92 at 7:00 p.m. Members present were David Abernethy, Bill Hasty and Albert Yount.

The minutes were dispensed with until next meeting for the previous meeting.

The purpose of this meeting was to review and approve absentee applications, container envelopes and the precinct officials instructional meeting .

Motion was made by Bill Hasty to approve the following Absentee applications:

M-41, M-42, M-43, A/B-7, A/B-11, A/B-14, A/B-15 and OS-19 through OS-24. This motion was seconded by Albert Yount and unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Bill Hasty to purchase 2 of the 4' x 8' tile boards to make into Tally Boards for the posting of election returns, precinct by precinct. This motion was seconded by Albert Yount and unanimously approved.

Mr. Abernethy and Mr. Hasty then adjourned to the meeting room in the Government Center for the instructional meeting.



Albert M. Yount

April 24, 1992 8:15 A M Tuesday

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections met in the office of the board of elections on Friday, April 24, 1992 at 8:15 A. M. Members present were David Abernethy and Albert M Yount. Mr. Bill Hasty requested to be excused.

Motion was made by Albert Yount to approve the minutes of 4/17/92 and 4/21/92 as each had rough drafts prior this meeting. This motion was seconded by David Abernethy and unanimously approved.

The purpose of this meeting was to review absentee applications and container envelopes. Motion was made by Albert Yount to approve the following:

C-16, C-17, A/B-1, A/B-9, A/B-10, A/B-16, M-45, M-45, M-46 and OS-25 through OS-29. This motion was seconded by David Abernethy and unanimously approved.

Motion was made by David Abernethy to appoint the following precinct officials:

Nancy Punch, Republican Judge for Balls Creek #1 precinct.
Colleen Davs, Republican Judge for East Newton precinct #10
Laura Sanders, temporary Registrar in College Park precinct #11
Dorothy Hawkins, Registrar in Greenmont precinct #13
Joyce Brown, Republican Judge in Greenmont precinct #13
Linda Guess, Registrar in Longview 1 #17 precinct
Don Welch, Registrar in N Newton precinct #25
This motion was seconded by Albert Yount and unanimously approved.

Motion was made by David Abernethy to appoint Nancy Jo Teague as a precinct transfer assistant in the Highland #16 location. If she could not, ask Dorothy York and the Board would confirm next week. This motion was seconded by Albert Yount and unanimously approved.

The Board discussed what names they would like put on the mark and wipe board for the precinct by precinct display. Motion was made by David Abernethy to display all names except the State Judges. This motion was seconded by Albert Yount and unanimously approved. (The County Board of Education candidates will be displayed as usual).

The supervisor was requested to contact the Social Studies Teacher at Newton/Conover High School to recruit two volunteers for election day to help with absentees and to be runners at the Justice Center for that night on 5/5/92.

The supervisor was requested to write Franklin Freeman of the Administrative Office of the Courts to advise we will be using Courtroom 1 in November and to get a reply back, also to advise the Clerk of Superior Court. (Get use of the Grand Jury Assembly Room and Grand Jury Room from Clerk of Court)

There being no further business, David moved to adjourn, seconded by Albert Yount.


Albert M. Yount

Tuesday, April 28, 1992 8:15 A M

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections met in the board of elections office on Tuesday, April 28, 1992 at 8:15 A. M. Members present were Bill Hasty and Albert Yount. Mr. David Abernethy requested to be excused (No meeting on Monday, 4/27/92 8th day before election as nothing to meet about).

Motion was made by Albert Yount and seconded by Bill Hasty to approve the minutes of the previous meeting of 4/24/92, and unanimously approved.

The purpose of this meeting was to review and approve absentee applications and container envelopes. Motion was made by Bill Hasty to approve the following:

C-18, C-19, C-20, C-21, C-22, C-23, C-24, C-25, C-26, C-27,
A/B-24, A/B-25, A/B-5, A/B-6, A/B-8, M-47, OS-30 through OS-56.

This motion was seconded by Albert Yount and unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Albert Yount to appoint Betty J. Hefner as Democrat Judge in Mtn. View 2 #24 precinct and Susan Hughes as temporary Republican Judge in Springs #33 precinct. This was seconded by Bill Hasty and unanimously approved.

Let the minutes show that all machines were logic tested and sealed on 4/26/92. The serial numbers are #417, #409, #411, #386, #399, #381 and #393. The sealing and testing was done by Wanda Mode, Carolyn Huffman, and the supervisor, assisted by William Rudisill. Linda Locke observed and checked tapes.

There being no further business, Bill Hasty moved to adjourn, seconded by Albert Yount, and unanimously approved.



Albert M. Yount, Secretary

Wednesday, April 29, 1992 8:15 A M

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections met in the office of the board of elections on Wednesday, April 29, 1992 at 8:15 A M (6th day before election). Members present were David Abernethy and Bill Hasty. Albert Yount advised supervisor he could not come.

Motion was made by Bill Hasty to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. This motion was seconded by David Abernethy and unanimously approved.

The purpose of this meeting was to approve absentee applications and container envelopes. Motion was made by David Abernethy to approve the following:

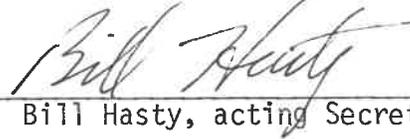
C-28, and OS-57 through OS-66. This motion was seconded by Bill Hasty and unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Bill Hasty to appoint the following precinct officials: William Treadwell, temporary republican judge in College Park #11 precinct. Walter Zimmerman, temporary republican Registrar in Viewmont 1 #36 and Evelyn Brady as temporary democrat judge in S Newton #32 precinct. This motion was seconded by David Abernethy and unanimously approved.

Bill Hasty discussed briefly with Mr. Abernethy the displaying of precinct by precinct election returns in the Justice Center.

David Abernethy advised board member present, that he authorized the supervisor to take absentee application for sickness or physical disability and issue ballots in his absence.

There being no further business, motion was made by Bill Hasty to adjourn. This motion was seconded by David Abernethy and unanimously approved.



Bill Hasty, acting Secretary

May 1, 1992

David Abernethy called the office and requested that a minute be made of a phone conversation between himself and Bill Hasty, also himself and Albert Yount. Mr. Hasty requested to hire Furman Mode to make easels to put our display boards. Cost being between 600.00 and 800.00 dollars.

The majority of the board felt that was to much money, ^{not} to have seen and not knowing what the county maintenance could build. They decided to wait until after Tuesday, May 5, 1992 to discuss and decide.

Monday, May 4, 1992 5:00 P.M.

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections met in the office of the board of elections on 5/4/92 at 5:00 p.m. (1st day prior election). Members present were Bill Hasty and Albert Yount. David Abernethy requested to be excused.

Motion was made by Bill Hasty to approve the minutes of previous meeting. This motion was seconded by Albert Yount and unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Bill Hasty to approve absentee applications and container envelopes as follows:

A/B-3, A/B-26, A/B-27, C-29, C-30, C-31 & OS-67 through OS-96. This motion was seconded by Albert Yount and unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Bill Hasty to appoint Tommy Dickerson as temporary republican judge in Ridgeview #15 precinct. This motion was seconded by Albert Yount and unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Bill Hasty to adjourn, seconded by Albert Yount and unanimously approved.


Albert M. Yount, Secretary

May 5, 1992 5:30 A M Tuesday

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections staff were on duty in the office of the board of elections on Tuesday, 5/5/92 at 5:30 a.m. Bill Hasty and Albert Yount called in and were on call. David Abernethy requested to be excused.

There were 3 service calls made for malfunctions of the machines. The supervisor went to Longview 2 #18 and Oakland Heights #26 for red print-outs. Steve Ricke, tabulator technician went to Sherrills Ford for a ballot jam.

May 5, 1992 2:00 P M

Bill Hasty and Albert Yount, board members of the Catawba County Board of Elections met in the board room at 2:00 p.m. for the purpose of counting absentee ballots. In attendance were three (3) seniors from Newton/Conover High School to assist.

The absentee voters names were entered into the Absentee Poll book by the supervisor and each were checked by the two board members present. Each board member signed the poll book.

There were 166 absentee ballots counted with the results as follows:

FOR PRESIDENT		Absentee Votes	COMMISSIONER OF LABOR	ABSENTEE VOTES
DEMOCRAT				
Jerry Brown	D	6	John C. Brooks	D 37
Bill Clinton	D	59	Harry E Payne, Jr	D 25
Tom Harkin	D	0		
Bob Kerrey	D	0	SUPT. OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION	
Paul Tsongas	D	6	Bob Etheridge	D 43
No Preference		5	Owen Phillips	D 25
GOVERNOR				
M Wendell Briggs	D	0	ASSOC. JUSTICE SUPREME COURT	
Jim Hatcher	D	1	Sidney S Eagles, Jr	D 15
James B Hunt, Jr	D	59	Sarah Parker	D 57
Lacy H Thornburg	D	16		
Marcus W. Williams	D	0	JUDGE OF COURT OF APPEALS	
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR				
Jim Crawford	D	31	Steven A. Bernholz	D 21
Charles Philip Ginn	D	18	Jack Cozort	D 41
Edward Renfrow	D	11	JUDGE OF COURT OF APPEALS	
Dennis A. Wicker	D	9	John C. Martin	D 31
			John Hill Parker	D 26
STATE AUDITOR				
Ralph Campbell	D	22	JUDGE OF COURT OF APPEALS	
Franklin Freeman	D	21	Joseph R John Sr	D 27
Charles M. Hicks	D	19	M. Gordon Widenhouse Jr	D 31
COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE				
Jim Long	D	52		
Charles Paxton	D	15		

PRESIDENT REPUBLICAN			Absentee Votes	COUNTY COMMISSIONERS			Absentee Votes
Patrick J Buchanan	R	9		Robert E. Hibbitts	R	57	
George Bush	R	67		Gretchen Peed	R	48	
No Preference		9		Gary D. Teague	R	28	
				Conley Eugene Warren	R	22	
UNITED STATES SENATOR				STATE HOUSE, 45th Dist.			
Lauch Faircloth	R	28		Cherie Killian Berry	R	12	
Larry E Harrington	R	4		David J. Noles	R	15	
Eugene Johnston	R	28		Charles R Preston	R	24	
Sue Myrick	R	24					
GOVERNOR				STATE HOUSE, 46th Dist.			
Gary M Dunn	R	4		Charles Monroe Buchanan	R	4	
Jim Gardner	R	71		Grimes Byerly	R	19	
Ruby Thompson Hooper	R	12		Troy Clark	R	5	
				David T Flaherty Jr	R	7	
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR				Gregg Thompson	R	2	
Doris Rogers Huffman	R	56		STATE HOUSE, 91st Dist.			
Art Pope	R	17		George S. Robinson	R	9	
Trip Sizemore	R	12		Kevin Watson	R	4	
COMMISSIONER OF LABOR				COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION (Non-Partisan)			
Nelson Dollar	R	39		Harold R. Biggerstaff		55	
Henry McKoy	R	30		Betty C. Blackburn		64	
SUPT. OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTIONS				William A. Haqq		35	
Teena S. Little	R	31		Thelma Ramseur		63	
Vernon Robinson	R	26		Jack D. Sigmon		67	
Tom Rogers	R	21		Grace C. Vaught		61	
				Charlie C. Wyant		57	
STATE HOUSE, 43rd Dist.							
C. Robert Brawley	R	7					
Joe Chandler	R	2					

The Board had a report of a slight problem in St Stephens 1 #28 precinct. A lady, (Dot York) called and reported Hugh Reitzel for advising voters of how to vote if registered unaffiliated and was taking them by the arm. The Board planned a visit to said precinct. Results from visit: Board members talked with Casper Rullman, Hugh Reitzel and Dana Lingerfelt, and found no improprieties existing.

Other problems that need to be addressed at the next instructional meeting will be: East Newton #10 need their electioneering sign to be more visible. Highland #16 precinct, the National Guard will have to be instructed they cannot have activity while election being conducted. The precincts using portable booths without the curtains, only have side flaps, must be spaced further apart than was in this election. N Newton #25. A Judge, Clerk or the Registrar was over heard to tell a person "if they wanted to change their registration, it would have to be at the board of election office.

May 5, 1992 7:30 P M

The Catawba County Board of Elections members reconvened in the board office to count the precinct transfer votes. There were 23. Bill Hasty and Albert Yount present.

The votes were reported by the registrar of the 39 precincts. 37 were by phone. Pct. Conover East #8 brought her results in with supplies, but didn't advise that they had not been called in. East Newton #10 brought his results in as could not get through on phone. Mtn View 1 #23 and Longview 2 #18 had problems with machines count (all in red) The tabulator technician was immediately sent.

The results were posted on the new wipe and mark boards in the Justice Center by Bud Reinhardt, Joe Robinson and the three (3) seniors from Newton/Conover High School. They were pct. by pct. The accumulative totals were displayed on the TV Monitors done by the Management Information Center. Taking phone calls were Renae Martin, Debbie Coley, Barbara Towery and Carolyn Huffman. Recording on the tally sheets were Ruth Mackie, Lucille Pitts, Lorene Husucker and Phyllis Nichols. Bill Rudisill operated the copy machine and Linda Locke was at the FAX machine.

The unofficial precinct returns were completed approximately 9:30 P.M.

There being no further business, the board members adjourned. Next meeting to be Thursday, May 7, 1992 at 11:00 a.m. SHARP.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Bill Hasty", is written over a horizontal line.

Thursday, May 7, 1992 11:00 A.M.

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections met on Thursday, May 7, 1992 at 11:00 a.m. (2nd day after election) to canvass the votes of the May 5, 1992 Primary Election. This meeting is to comply with G.S. 163-175 for the board members to meet the 2nd day after election to officially canvass all returns.

The minutes of May 4, 1992 were read. Motion was made by Albert Yount to approve as read. This motion was seconded by Bill Hasty and unanimously approved. The minutes of 5/5/92 will be approved at next meeting.

The returns addressed to the Board Members were opened by the board members and checked against the abstracts prepared by the office staff using one set of returns from the audit done on Wednesday. Motion was made by David Abernethy to open ballot boxes for Balls Creek #1 and Brookford #4 precincts as the print-outs were in red. The ballot box for Startown #34 precinct was opened because the votes were not identical on both returns in one of the judges races. This motion was seconded by Bill Hasty and unanimously approved. (G. S. 163-175 allows the Board to do this).

IT WAS UNANIMOUS TO OFFICIALLY CERTIFY THE MAY 5, 1992 PRIMARY ELECTION.

The official results of the canvass stands as follows with absentee votes and precinct transfer votes included in the results (166 absentees & 23 PTV):

FOR PRESIDENT			COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE		
DEMOCRAT		VOTES			VOTES
Jerry Brown	D	667	Jim Long	D	4020
Bill Clinton	D	4199	Charles Paxton	D	1763
Tom Harkin	D	53	COMMISSIONER OF LABOR		
Bob Kerrey	D	67	John C. Brooks	D	2972
Paul Tsongas	D	517	Harry E Payne, Jr	D	2714
No Preference		856	SUPT. OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION		
GOVERNOR			Bob Etheridge	D	3076
M Wendell Briggs	D	67	Owen Phillips	D	2612
Jim Hatcher	D	153	ASSOC. JUSTICE OF SUPREME COURT		
James B Hunt Jr	D	4050	(unexpired term ending 12/31/94)		
Lacy H Thornburg	D	1957	Sidney S Eagles Jr	D	1779
Marcus W Williams	D	213	Sarah Parker	D	3896
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR			JUDGE OF COURT OF APPEALS		
Jim Crawford	D	2422	Steven A Bernholz	D	2293
Charles Philip Ginn	D	713	Jack Cozort	D	2937
Edward Renfrow	D	629	JUDGE OF COURT OF APPEALS		
Dennis A Wicker	D	2269	John C. Martin	D	2843
STATE AUDITOR			John Hill Parker	D	2841
Ralph Campbell	D	1767			
Franklin Freeman	D	1671			
Charles M Hicks	D	2011			

JUDGE OF COURT OF APPEALS
(unexpired tem ending 12/31/98)

		VOTES
Joseph R John Sr	D	2345
M Gordon Widenhouse Jr	D	2972

PRESIDENT
REPUBLICAN

Patrick J Buchanan	R	1255
George Bush	R	4963
No Preference	R	624

UNITED STATES SENATOR

Lauch Faircloth	R	2898
Larry E Harrington	R	253
Eugene Johnston	R	1249
Sue Myrick	R	2328

GOVERNOR

Gary M Dunn	R	529
Jim Gardner	R	5297
Ruby Thompson Hooper	R	790

LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

Doris Rogers Huffman	R	4429
Art Pope	R	1281
Trip Sizemore	R	847

COMMISSIONER OF LABOR

Nelson Dollar	R +	3018
Henry McKoy	R	2325

SUPT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

Teena S Little	R	2244
Vernon Robinson	R	1958
Tom Rogers	R	1424

STATE HOUSE, 43rd Dist. Votes

C Robert Brawley	R	345
Joe Chandler	R	707

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Robert E Hibbitts	R	3780
Gretchen Peed	R	3302
Gary D Teague	R	2593
Conley Eugene Warren	R	2676

STATE HOUSE, 45th Dist.

Cherie Killian Berry	R	1309
David J. Noles	R	1175
Charles R Preston	R	1756

STATE HOUSE, 46th Dist.

Charles (Monroe) Buchanan	R	290
Grimes Byerly	R	1398
Troy Clark	R	225
David T Flaherty Jr	R	1245
Gregg Thompson	R	308

STATE HOUSE, 91st Dist.

George S Robinson	R	369
Kevin Watson	R	163

COUNTY BD. OF EDUCATION
(Non-Partisan)

Harold R Biggerstaff	5334
Betty C Blackburn	5760
William A Haqq	2886
Thelma Ramseur	5199
Jack D Sigmon	5204
Grace C Vaught	5303
Charlie C Wyant	5401

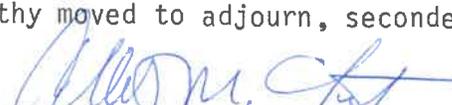
Total eligible to vote was 63,100. Voted 13,525 or 21-1/2 %

Other business:

Mr. Hasty requested information as to why one reporter was allowed behind counter in office. It was unanimous by all board members to make policy of who is allowed behind the counter on election night. The Board members or the supervisor will make the decision. (The supervisor requested the Board make the decision and she will in their absence).

For the record, campaign reporting letters were mailed to the two candidates that were defeated in the primary election. (Mr Gary Teague and Mr. Conley Warren).

There being no further business, David Abernethy moved to adjourn, seconded by Bill Hasty and unanimously approved.


Albert M. Yount

Friday, May 15, 1992 9:00 A M

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections met in the office of the board of elections on Friday, May 15, 1992 at 9:00 a.m. Members present were David Abernethy, Bill Hasty and Albert Yount.

Motion was made by David Abernethy to approve the minutes of May 5 and May 7, 1992 after deletions of two sentences in the minutes of May 5, 1992. This motion was seconded by Bill Hasty and unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Bill Hasty to approve the following absentee application:
CC-1

This motion was seconded by Albert Yount and unanimously approved.

Motion was made by David Abernethy to use paper ballots in the June 2, 1992 run-off election and requested supervisor to call Raleigh for this approval and have the state wide ballot furnished this office by them. In the same motion it was requested that the State Board send this office a sample of the state ballot so this office could have printed the 46th State House run-off ballot in the same format. This motion was seconded by Albert Yount and unanimously approved. Result of call: Johnnie McLean requested the Board send a letter by FAX before 10 A.M. this date requesting this and stating reason. It was decided by the Board to order the Republican Registration quantity.

The contract for handling the Town of Long View's Elections was discussed and approved with two changes. Those changes will be made in a contract to be signed by the Town of Long View and the Catawba County Board of Elections with copy to Mr. Tom Lundy, Catawba County Manager.

The consolidation of Long View 1 #17 and Long View 2 #18 precincts was discussed. No decision at this time.

The portable voting booths without curtains were discussed, as in one of the precincts where used on 5/5/92, they were not spaced apart for privacy. The supervisor was requested to secure a curtain and cost for the Boards inspection and approval of purchase.

Mtn. View 1 #23 polling place was discussed since the school is expected to be sold before the November 1992 general election. Motion was made by David Abernethy for the supervisor to go to Bethel Reform Church and investigate if handicap accessible, etc. This motion was seconded by Albert Yount and unanimously approved. Mr. Abernethy agreed to meet here there and for the minister and the registrar be contacted and perhaps they could be present also.

The canvass of elections was discussed with input from each member. They will continue to search for a better way of doing the Canvass and still be efficient and within the law. It was agreed to contact other counties to see how they do it.

Albert Yount shared the contents of a letter he received from Allen Wood of approval of the precinct by precinct display of election results.

There being no further business, David moved to adjourn, seconded by Bill Hasty and unanimously approved.


Albert M. Yount

June 1, 1992 5:00 P M

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections met in the office of the board of elections on Monday, June 1, 1992 (1st day prior to election) at 5:00 p.m. (No meetings were held on 8th, 7th, 6th or 4th day prior election as nothing to meet about) Members present were David Abernethy, Bill Hasty and Albert Yount.

Motion was made by Bill Hasty to approve the minutes of the previous meeting as each member had copies prior this meeting. David Abernethy asked for any corrections or additions, there being none, SO ORDERED, they be approved.

Motion was made by Bill Hasty to approve the following absentee applications and container envelopes: OS-1, OS-2, OS-3, OS-4, A/BB-2, A/BB-2, A/BB-3, A/BB-4 & A/BB-5. This motion was seconded by David Abernethy and unanimously approved.

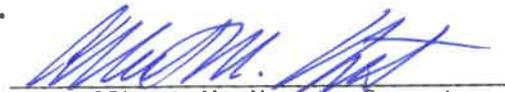
Both party chairmen were contacted about vacancies for the June 2, 1992 primary run-off. In some precincts there would be only a Registrar and a Judge, one being a Republican and one a Democrat in this Republican Primary. In two precincts, the Registrar would be a Democrat as the Registrar had recommended this. Both party chairmen had no dissatisfaction with this. The Board was unanimous that they were satisfied. Those appointed unanimously by the board for this election are as follows: Chad Bumgarner, Registrar in Blackburn #3, Peggy H Smith, Registrar in Conover West #7, Mary Ellen Richard, Registrar in E Maiden #9, Rassie Anthony, Democrat Judge in Greenmont #13, Faye Bean, Registrar in Long View 3 #19, Brenda Eades, Republican Judge in Monogram #21, Joyce McGhinnis, Registrar in St Stephens 2 #29 and Robert Townsend Democrat Judge in Viewmont 3 #38.

It was unanimous by Board Members to appoint Cynthia M Sigmon and Heather N. Wilson as Registration Commissioners as recommended by Lynda DeHart, chairman of the Catawba County Republican Party, also Willie Rhea Smith as recommended by John Cilley, Chairman of the Catawba County Democrat Party.

The Perot Petitions and Libertarian Petitions were discussed and information will be released with the second primary results to News Media.

The Canvass was discussed for the November election with good ideas from each member. David Abernethy shared with the other members he had written the other counties in our district and also the State Board for ideas. The supervisor shared what she had learned from other counties and presented the May Primary print-out showing how it would work. Security of the County Computer system was discussed and a decision to be made later.

There being no further business, David Abernethy moved to adjourn, seconded by Bill Hasty and unanimously approved.


Albert M. Yount, Secretary

Tuesday, June 2, 1992 Primary Run-off
OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections staff were on duty in the office of the board of elections on Tuesday, June 2, 1992 at 6:00 a.m. in anticipation of needs from each precinct. The three board members advised where they were and were on call to be reached immediately.

June 2, 1992 5:00 P.M.

David Abernethy, Bill Hasty and Albert Yount met in the Board Room of the board of elections at 5:00 p.m. to count the absentee ballots cast in the run-off primary election.

The absentee voters names were entered into the poll book by the supervisor and checked by the three board members. Each Board member signed the poll book. Motion was made by David Abernethy not to use the Tabulator to count the absentee votes as there were only 11. This motion was seconded by Albert Yount. In discussion, Mr Hasty pointed out that this board had requested of the State Board not to use machines and were denied because this is a continuation of the 1st election. Vote call: 2 ayes. Mr. Hasty voted no as against instructions from state.

There were 11 absentee ballots counted with results as follows:

SUPT. OF PUBLIC INST.		Absentee Votes	STATE HOUSE, 46th Dist.	Absentee Votes
Tenna S. Little	R	7	Charles (Monroe) Buchanan	R -0-
Vernon Robinson	R	4	Gregg Thompson	R 2

Other business: The minutes of the previous meeting were given each member. David Abernethy made motion that the minutes be approved with one addition to the paragraph about the petitions. This motion was seconded by Bill Hasty and unanimously approved.

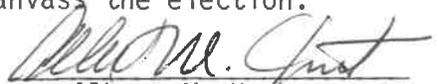
Motion was made by Bill Hasty to purchase 80 DUP-10 Uni Pack Booths - Alum. provided that money can be moved around to cover this expense and not exceed our budget. This motion was seconded by Albert Yount and unanimously approved. (a lot of the present booths are in bad condition.)

There being no further business at this time, Bill Hasty moved to recess and reconvene in the Board office to receive the count from each precinct.

June 2, 1992 7:30 P. M.

The Catawba County Board of Elections reconvened in the Board office to receive the results from the 39 precincts. There were no PTV votes. The unofficial returns were completed at 8:40 P M.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned to meet Thursday, June 4, 1992 at 11:00 o'clock a.m. to canvass the election.


Albert M. Yount

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June 4, 1992 THURSDAY 11:00 A M

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections met in the Board office on Thursday, June 4, 1992 at 11 A.M. (2nd day after election) to canvass the votes of the June 2, 1992 Second Primary. This meeting to comply with G.S. 163-175 to officially canvass all returns.

David Abernethy made motion to approve the minutes of the previous meeting after an addition be made to paragraph 3 (explanation of the "No" vote). This motion was seconded by Bill Hasty and unanimously approved.

The returns addressed to the Board members were opened by the board members and checked against the abstracts that were prepared by office staff from audit done on Wednesday. Motion was made by David Abernethy to open the ballot box of Long View 1 #17 as the print-out was in red. This motion was seconded by Bill Hasty and unanimously approved. (G.S. 163-175 allows the Board to do this) The recount confirmed the totals on returns were correct.

David Abernethy moved, Albert Yount seconded and it was unanimous to officially certify the Second Primary Election.

THE OFFICIAL RESULTS OF THE CANVASS STANDS AS FOLLOWS WITH ABSENTEE VOTES INCLUDED IN THE RESULTS . (11 absentees. No PTV)

SUPT. OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTIONS	Votes	46th STATE HOUSE DIST.	Votes
Tenna Little (R)	417	Charles (Monroe) Buchanan (R)	57
Vernon Robinson (R)	194	Gregg Thompson (R)	159

The supervisor was requested to attach an adding machine tape to each abstract when totaled in future elections.

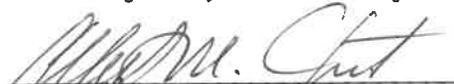
Mr. Hasty shared with the Board members of a concern that was brought to his attention. In one precinct, no one was present when a voter went in to vote. Mr. Abernethy called the Registrar and Democrat Judge. He was not able to contact the Registrar. He did talk with Democrat Judge, and shared the information received from her and would continue to call the Registrar.

David Abernethy made motion to go into Executive Session to discuss contractual matters. This motion was seconded by Bill Hasty and unanimously approved. Another matter discussed was pertaining to some portable stands to hold our "wipe and mark" boards.

The Board reconvened back into public session. No action taken on the contract. The Board is looking at getting portable frames of some type to support one or more of the wipe and mark boards for listing pct by pct results. The Board decided to take a look at the old frames, if can be found, and if cannot find them, see what resources there are to build new ones and how much the cost would be.

The supervisor was requested to mail the list of what is going to be on the November ballot to each member as soon as received, so can start discussing how long to display on the monitors.

There being no further business Bill Hasty moved to adjourn, seconded by David Abernethy and unanimously approved.


Albert M. Yount

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July 21, 1992

Bill Hasty called Mr. David Abernethy. He requested that the minutes show "he did not want to wait until the 1st or 2nd week in August to have a meeting".

August 5, 1992 8:15 A M Wednesday

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections met in the office of the board of elections on Wednesday, August 5, 1992 at 8:15 a.m. Members present were David Abernethy, Bill Hasty and Albert Yount.

Motion was made by Bill Hasty to approve the minutes of previous meeting as each had copies prior this meeting. This motion was seconded by David Abernethy and unanimously approved.

Mickey Hylton, MIC manager was present to advise the Board of what his staff could do for the board of elections in displaying election night results on the TV monitors. The timing of each office was thoroughly discussed. David Abernethy suggested to have a longer display in the Press room. This was unanimous. Albert Yount wanted these minutes to show, the Board had labored over the timing of display, and it was done, keeping in mind certain members of the press. Mr. Abernethy agreed to re-copy their decision of timing for MIC.

The agreement between the Catawba County Board of Elections and the Town of Long View to conduct their municipal elections was received signed by the Town of Long View and ready for the Chairman and Secretary of the Catawba County Board of Elections to sign. Motion was made by David Abernethy to execute said agreement and send to Mr. Brock at the State Board of Elections for approval. Question. David Abernethy refreshed the Board members of conversations he had had with the county attorney in regard to the agreement. This motion was unanimously approved.

The method of Precinct Transfer Voting was discussed. Mr. Bill Hasty recommended that the Board send a letter to the State Board requesting that in this November election and future elections, the Board would want to exercise discretion to "name all precincts as PTV locations or to designate another precinct in addition to the County Board Office". This recommendation was unanimous with Mr. Abernethy drafting the letter.

Ballots were discussed using guideline received from the State Board of Elections on August 5, 1992. It was unanimous to use the ballot format of paper ballots as ordered by the State Board: Presidential, U.S. Senate/Member of Congress, State Officers and General Court of Justice for four (4) ballots. It was agreed to have the State Senate on each of the four (4) house ballots for four (4) ballots, and to have the County Board of Education as one (1) ballot. The County Ballot: David Abernethy suggested to lay out the ballot with Register of Deeds, County Commissioner (unexpired term), County Commissioners (regular term) District Court Judge and Soil & Water. Bill Hasty replied "if that is a motion I second it". Albert Yount opposed this format and will take it up with his party chairman. Mr. Hasty stated to put in the minutes "we did say we left it open a week, that was our decision, but we'll review it in a week if we hear some opposition to it". The vote call was 2 for the above format with Mr. Yount having reservations and voted no. It was agreed by Board Members that they would take action in the case of the timing of the screen and the ballot format and if anybody wanted to re-consider within a week, to call the other board members, but for now it is an official Board action.

It was agreed unanimously to put the unexpired terms before regular terms on the Commissioners and School ballots.

The phone calls from Mr. Roland Ring were discussed pertaining to his voter registration. It was unanimous for the supervisor to call him since he requested this, and invite him to the next Board meeting to state his case.

Moving of Polling place for Mtn. View 1 #23: Let these minutes show it was unanimous by each Board member to move the polling place from Mtn. View School for Mtn. View 1#23 to Bethel United Church of Christ on June 23, 1992. Effective 7/1/92.

Registration Commissioners & Special Library Deputy: Let these minutes show it was unanimous by all Board members to appoint Adele Bock, Laura Bock, Bart Travis, Michael Lingle and Thomas B. Bollinger as Registration Commissioners as recommended by John Cilley, chairman of the Catawba County Democratic Party. Also, to appoint Sherry Dickson as a Special Library Deputy for Elbert Ivey Memorial Library. This action taken June 26, 1992.

Motion was made by David Abernethy to appoint Phyllis Drum as Registrar for Springs #33 precinct as recommended by Lynda DeHart, chairman of the Catawba County Republican Party, and also Ann Cline, chairman of Springs #33 precinct.

There being no further business, Bill Hasty moved to adjourn. David Abernethy seconded. This was unanimous. We stand adjourned.


Albert M. Yount, Secretary



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Wednesday, August 12, 1992 8:15 A M

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections met in the office of the board of elections on Wednesday, August 12, 1992 at 8:15 A M. Members present were David Abernethy, Bill Hasty and Albert Yount.

Mr. Roland Ring appeared before the board to show cause that he was a resident of Catawba County and should be allowed to register to vote. Mr. Ring presented to the board, papers to support his claim. Bill Hasty made motion to allow him to be a registered voter. This motion was seconded by Albert M Yount and was unanimously approved. It was agreed by board members that anyone else domicled at his residence be allowed to register to vote in Catawba County.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read by each board member. Mr. Yount requested that in paragraph 6, show it to be amended to show a "no" vote. Motion was made by David Abernethy to approve the minutes as amended in the 6th paragraph. Bill Hasty seconded and they were unanimously approved.

Mr. Abernethy presented a letter to be sent the State Board of Elections pertaining to PTV locations, as he had been requested to do. It was unanimous to mail and place copy in the files.

David Abernethy made a motion to appoint Mary Pyron as Registration Commissioner as recommended by John Cilley and that Janice Setzler as Registration Commissioner as recommended by Lynda DeHart and Bridget C DeHart was approved pending her being qualified.

The agreement between The Catawba County Board of Elections and the Town of Long View was presented approved by Mr. Alex Brock of the State Board of Elections. It was agreed to write a letter to the Town of Long View advising them about a Resolution to allow absentee ballots if they wish. (must be done 60 days before election, G.S. 163-302).

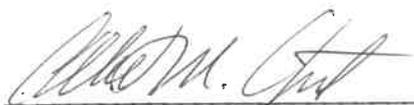
The facsimile ballots were presented to the Board for their review and approval. (They had been prepared as the Board had directed). Each ballot was thoroughly read and the instructions checked and corrected. On the Presidential Ballot, David Abernethy moved that a period be removed and replaced with a comma in instruction "b", with the next word beginning with a little "t". This was unanimous. It was agreed that once the facsimile for the Presidential Ballot comes in, for the Supervisor to add the running mate for the Unaffiliated Candidate. If the write-in does not qualify, remove the write in space. Mr. Hasty stated "he found nothing in the body of things different than what was agreed on. David Abernethy requested a "S" be placed on the word Office, on the County Ballot.

All ballots were approved unanimously after corrections were made in the instructions, except the County Ballot.

Albert Yount requested of the Board "that the ballots should conform to statute, i.e. the multi-seat County Commissioner contest be a separate ballot to conform with G.S. 163-140(f)". Mr. Hasty thought they should stay as they were. At this time, David Abernethy requested for the minutes to show that Albert Yount made a phone call to him on Monday, August 10, 1992 advising him that he (Mr. Yount) would be making this motion today. Mr. Abernethy stated he had left word thereafter at Mr. Hasty's home for Mr. Hasty to call him. Mr. Hasty stated he did not receive the message Mr. Abernethy said it is unfortunate on the part of the voters of Catawba County

that we are in this situation because instead of having 7 ballots to deal with, now it appears we will have 8, which I think is a disadvantage. However, looking at the statute, it appears to me that Mr. Yount has the right to demand that we do it this way and on that basis, I feel I must vote Aye on the motion. Vote call. 2 Ayes to have a separate ballot for the regular term of multi-seat County Commissioners race. Mr. Hasty voted no. Mr. Hasty requested to be excused at this time due to an appointment. It was unanimous by members present to put the non-partisan Soil & Water Conservation District on the reverse side of the single seat county ballot. Mr. Abernethy requested the Supervisor to make the changes on the County Ballot and FAX them to each Board Member exactly as they will go in. If they should see a problem, can call before sent to the State Board.

There being no further business, David Abernethy moved to adjourn. Albert Yount seconded and it was unanimous.



 Albert M. Yount

Tuesday, September 15, 1992 8:15 AM

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

MEETING OF TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 1992 at 8:15 A.M.

Members present: David Abernethy (David), Bill Hasty (Bill) and Albert Yount (Albert).

Meeting called to order by David. David related that he had reviewed the Board's spending records of the last (several) years and had discovered an economical level of spending per the services rendered.

Previous minutes were discussed and amended. Bill noted that he had discussed having an agenda for each meeting and that this was not in the minutes. Minutes amended to include same.

Bill also asked the minutes be amended to reflect his no vote relative to ballot outline (commissioner ballot). Same was done.

Bill read the following and asked same to be included into the minutes:

The minutes of August 12, 1992 indicate an illegal meeting was held by the Chairman and Secretary on August 10, 1992, (as per 163-31 Paragraph #1). Purpose of the meeting was to change the county ballot. This meeting came to light only at the meeting of August 12, 1992.

" When I questioned Mr. Abernethy about his reasons for changing from a format which had been approved in 1990 by the State Board of Elections, he stated: ..."my interpretation is correct and the State Board of Elections is in error".

For Mr. Abernethy to presume that his statute interpretation was correct and the State Board's incorrect was highly questionable. There was no reason to push through a vote on this matter without first checking with the State Board.

I protest the manner of this action and feel that it was unethical if not illegal.

David replied that he was fully prepared to go into the wording of the statute on this matter if anyone would like to do so. He stated that the so called illegal meeting was concerning a telephone conversation he had with Albert wherein Albert gave him the courtesy of informing him that he was going to make a motion at the next meeting relative to having the county commissioner ballot with a multiple seat race involved placed on a separate ballot from the one containing Ms. Ruth Mackie and the single seat race between Ms. Stafford and Ms. Huffman. David stated that he appreciated the call and thought that it spoke to Albert's wanting to assure cooperation within the Board. David explained that after hanging up with Albert, that he (David) phoned Bill's office, leaving a message for him to be called and then called Bill's home and left a message (with a family member) for Bill to call him. David stated that the call was not returned.

Albert stated that he rejected the wording "indicate" that any secret meeting had been held. He stated that he did not want a high school civic class to read in the Board's minutes that any secret meeting had been held, as it had not.

David asked Bill: "Do you still believe a secret meeting was held"? Bill replied, "I accept your explanation of the contact. I disagee that I was dilligently tried to be advised of this very important thing that was going to come up at this meeting. After discussion, all members agreed that no illegal meeting was held.

Let the minutes show that the following were appointed by a phone poll of each board member: Sharon Sipe, registration commissioner for Town of Maiden. Mellonee Sigmon, Special Library Deputy Carolyn Starnes as recommended by John Cilley and Dawn H Sigmon as recommended by Lynda DeHart

Lynda DeHart, chairman of the Republican Party recommended as registration commissioners: Barbara G. Beatty of Newton and Eric S. Childers of Hickory. John Cilley, chairman of the Democratic Party recommended: Kathy Burleson, Clarice Icenhour, Betty Maritz, Brian Schowalter, Eddie Wesson and Ruth Wesson. Mr. Hasty questioned the recommendation of Eric Childers. Mr. Abernethy did not want to appoint Mr. Childers until his registration card reached the office. Mr. Hasty felt Mr. Childers did not live in Catawba County and should be investigated. Mr. Abernethy requested "that when his registration card came in, to bring it before the Board. David Abernethy made motion to appoint all as recommended except the ones registered at Lenoir Rhyne College with a post office box. The Board advised for staff guidance that no one should be registered with just a post office box and if a registration card is received, hold it for the Board. Mr. Abernethy also said "we are here to help voters, not to set up stumbling blocks, so make a phone call. Mr. Hasty said get a physical address. Motion was made by David Abernethy to approve all except those at Lenoir Rhyne College and check those with a post office box and come back next week for review of recommendation. Motion was made by David Abernethy to approve all names of both parties, except the one Republican (Eric Childers) and those 2 with a post office box at Lenoir Rhyne College. This was seconded by Albert Yount and unanimously approved. (For the record, the cards were pulled from the files and Katy Burleson and Brian Schowalter each had a Dorm address. Each Board member was called. They agreed that was sufficient and approved them. The card for Eric Childers came in with a cancellation for Burke County. Mr. Hasty was called. He lifted his objection stating Mr. Childers was not who he thought he was and approved it. David Abernethy and Albert Yount had no ojection since Mr. Hasty lifted his objection and also approved.)

The Board received the Resolution from the Town of Long View to have absentee ballots in their elections. The supervisor was requested to file it in the appropriate file.

The supervisor presented the Board with a copy of a resolution that was passed in Nash County, that Mr. Brock had suggested each county get a copy and consider it. No action from this Board at this time.

Mr. Yount advised the Board that he would be out of town the week of October 5, and the week-end before election.

The next item of business was to review absentee applications. M-1 through M-46 had already been approved for the November Election during the review in the Primary election. Motion was made by David Abernethy to approve the following absentee applications:

- M-47 through M-110, C-1, C-2, C-3, C-4, C-5 and C-6.

This motion was seconded by Albert Yount and unanimously approved. It was noted that M-70 be sent only the Federal ballots as per his request.

The supervisor presented each member with a copy of the Memo from the State Board pertaining to assistance to the voter, also advising that each precinct will be furnished a copy.

A letter was received from Mike Thomas requesting information to help conduct a voter registration. The supervisor was advised to write him advising him if he was a registered voter and met all qualifications, how to become a registration commissioner and to send him a list of the officials that could register voters.

Bill Hasty asked if the Board had a copy of the Administrative Code. He was advised "yes" and each member had been given a copy.

The State Board of Elections's seminars was discussed as to locations chosen for their meetings. The supervisor advised the travel cost for county personnel on county business was being re-worked, but as for now, the meals would be reimbursed if over the allotted amount per day, when at resorts, if a receipt is presented.

Let the minutes show that the Board met in Pinehurst on August 27, 1992 and it was unanimous to name all precincts as polling locations for the Precinct Transfer Voter. (letter sent to Mr. Brock on 9/1/92).

An October 10, 1992 Elections Boards Association meeting for Board members was discussed. It is being held in Research Triangle. Mr. Hasty volunteered to attend and requested the supervisor to make his reservation. He would attend and bring information back. It was unanimous by members for Mr. Hasty to attend.

David Abernethy advised the Board that MIC wanted information of where the TV Monitors and CRT would go in the Justice Center. Bill Hasty moved they go over there and then adjourn from there. In reviewing the area in the Justice Center, it was decided to have a CRT in the Board Room, a CRT in the reception area of the Government Center, 2 CRT's in Grand Jury Room for the Press, one opaque projector in the Jury Assembly Room (large room), 1 large TV monitor in Court Room 1 and 1 large TV monitor in the Court Room 2.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.



Albert M. Yount, Secretary

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Chambers

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

Meeting of Tuesday, September 22, 1992 at 8:15 A. M.
Members present: David Abernethy (David), Bill Hasty (Bill) and Albert Yount, (Albert).

Meeting called to order by David.

David Abernethy reported that Mr. Hasty called him last week and continued to question this Board's action in separating the placing of the two county commissioner races on separate ballots and that he might seek legal advice concerning that. Mr. Abernethy had received a letter dated September 18, 1992 from Charles Hensey, Special Deputy Attorney General and moved that the minutes reflect 2 paragraphs. They are as follows:

"It is our view that N.C. Gen. Stat. 163-104(f) (1991) requires the multi-seat county commissioners contest on a separate ballot from the single seat contest."

"It is my understanding that the State Board of Elections previously approved this layout".

David noted that G.S. 163-104(f) should be G.S. 163-140(f). This motion was seconded by Albert Yount. Mr. Abernethy asked for discussion, there being none, vote call, and the Ayes have it.

Mr. Hasty asked the chairman why he had received the letter, had he asked for it? Mr. Abernethy asked that the minutes show that he received the phone call last week from Mr. Hasty. Since Mr. Hasty stated he might seek legal opinion, he felt he had better also. Mr. Hasty asked to make a statement. "It was my intention to write the State Board of Elections and let them know that according to Mr. Hensey, they are not abiding by the law. I intend to do that on our stationery as a member of the County Board of Elections. I think they should be informed that Mr. Hensey feels they are not abiding by the State Law. I think they would appreciate knowing that." To the statement, Albert Yount wanted it to be known by the State Board of Elections, he did not participate in that question. Albert Yount moved that the chairman make the decision as to whether or not this letter should be on Board stationery. He stated again he would not participate in any correspondence of such a nature with the State Board of Elections. Motion was made by David Abernethy that this Board forbid the use of Board stationery to Mr. Hasty for this purpose since it is not an inquiry by the Board. Albert Yount seconded the motion. Any discussion? Mr. Hasty stated "he took exception to it. He felt it is an illegal restriction on a Board member not to use Board stationery." Vote call: two ayes for the motion, one no. (Mr. Hasty voted no)".

Albert Yount presented each member with a copy of minutes from previous meeting which they read. David Abernethy moved to make copies for the other two members. David stated "I'll accept that as a second and ask for discussion. It was unanimous to approve."

David Abernethy moved that at the end of the second page, that the minutes be amended to include all members ultimately agreed "no illegal meeting was held". This motion was seconded by Albert Yount. Discussion was called for. Mr. Hasty asked to hear the discussion. Mr. Abernethy re-stated his motion and then asked for discussion on the motion. There being none, all in favor, say Aye, the ayes have it.

David Abernethy moved to insert in the 3rd paragraph on the last page after 10/10/92 to insert the words "Election Board Association". This motion was seconded by Albert Yount and unanimously approved.

David Abernethy moved that on the last page concerning a quote from Mr. Abernethy, to change the capital "M" to a lower case "m", and the three dots be inserted before the word "my". This motion was seconded by Albert Yount and unanimously approved.

David Abernethy moved just for clarity sake, to change the word "good" in the phrase "good level of spending" to "economical". This motion was seconded by Bill Hasty and unanimously approved.

Mr. Abernethy asked if there were further corrections to the minutes, hearing none, he declared the minutes approved.

Mr. Hasty asked to address the minutes from the last meeting. He advised the Board he would not be able to attend the Election Boards Association meeting at the Research Triangle on October 10, 1992. He apologized that he had misread the date. He also referred to the statement that he asked about a copy of the administrative code. He strongly felt he was never given one.

The next statutory business of the Board was to review absentee applications. Motion was made by David Abernethy to approve the following absentee applications:

C-7, C-8, C-9, C-10, C-11, C-12, C-15, C-16, C-20, C-27, C-28,
C-29, C-31, C-32, C-33, C-34, C-35, C-36, C-37, C-38, C-39
C-40, C-41, C-42, C-43, C-46, C-48, C-49, C-50, C-51, C-52, C-53,
C-54, C-55 and M-111 through M-125.

This motion was seconded by Albert Yount and unanimously approved.

The supervisor presented to the Board a letter from Mrs. Albert (Suma) Setzer requesting absentee application. This was discussed thoroughly because of the reason given. Her letter didn't cover any of the statutory requirements for issuance. Motion was made by David Abernethy to mail her an application form with the usual instructions. This motion was seconded by Albert Yount and unanimously approved.

David Abernethy moved that the Board would appoint a committee to decide the placement and content of the dry erase boards in the Justice Center on election night. This motion was seconded by Albert Yount and unanimously approved. Mr. Abernethy appointed Mr. Yount and Mr. Hasty to this committee.

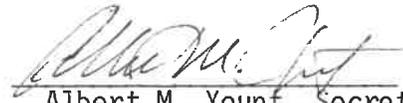
Mr. Yount asked for a definitive statement by the supervisor and staff that all polling places are handicap accessible.

Mr. Abernethy requested the Supervisor to check with the Registrar and Principal of Viewmont Elementary School about our polling place there. She was directed to pay a visit to the school and make sure where the polling place will be and does it comply with all the handicap rules.

In other business: Lynda DeHart has recommended Sue Laney as Registrar in N Newton #25 and Betty Curlee as Republican Judge in N Newton #25. David Abernethy moved they be appointed. This motion was seconded by Albert Yount and unanimously approved.

The Board discussed the long lines at Viewmont 3 #38 polling place. The supervisor was asked to compare that precinct to the precincts in terms of their registrations that are split. They thought that Viewmont 3 #38 may need to be directed to split the books. Mr. Hasty stated "they should have enough personnel to see the job is handled properly". The supervisor was requested to report back at the next Board meeting.

There being no further business, David Abernethy moved to adjourn. This was unanimous.


Albert M. Yount, Secretary

Tuesday, September 29, 1992 8:15 a.m.

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections met in the office of the board of elections on Tuesday, September 29, 1992 at 8:15 a.m. Members present were David Abernethy (David) Bill Hasty (Bill) and Albert Yount (Albert).

David Abernethy, chairman called the meeting to order.

Bill Hasty moved to accept the agenda as presented with no's 1 through 5 and to abolish no. 6. In discussion, Mr. Abernethy thought there were some other things he felt they should talk about. Mr. Abernethy asked for a second to the motion. There being none, the motion died for lack of a second.

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as each had copies prior this meeting, and there were no changes, additions or deletions.

Motion was made by Bill Hasty to approve the following absentee applications:

M-126 through M-145, A/B-1, A/B-29, A/B-40, A/B-48, A/B-52, A/B-62, A/B-73, A/B-74, A/B-80, A/B-81, A/B-90, A/B-100, A/B-106, A/B-109, A/B-128, A/B-130, A/B-138, A/B-148, A/B-150, C-12, 17, 19, 21, 25, 30, 44, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92 and 93.

This motion was seconded by Albert Yount and unanimously approved.

A/B-44 was disapproved at this time because voter's application was not witnessed. David Abernethy moved to contact the parents of this voter to see if address was the same and re-mail. (This was done, father stated, the student is still at address on request). One Military was denied as ballots had already been mailed to a different address from the one being reviewed. David Abernethy moved to try to contact family and see if he had received his ballots from first request since the first request was to mail them to a Hickory address. He felt the Board should receive the first set back before mailing any others to another address. This motion was unanimous.

A Federal write-in ballot was discussed. The application for Over-Seas or Military will be checked to see if a regular request is received and if not this Write-in will be counted on election day.

The Board discussed counting of absentee applications on election day. It was unanimous by the Board to pass resolution to count absentee ballots starting as 2:00 p.m. on November 3, 1992. It was unanimous by the Board to contact Hickory High School for 4 students from the Civics class to help with this project.

Motion was made by David Abernethy to appoint Allen Mitchell, Jr and Jeanne Johnson as registration commissioners as recommended by John Cilley, chairman of the Catawba County Democratic Party. This motion was seconded by Albert Yount and unanimously approved.

The Board discussed the appointment of Registration Commissioners that are the chairmen of a candidate's campaign. One is a registration commissioner, another wants to be. A letter from Mr. Charles Hensey, Deputy Attorney General was reviewed and discussed pertaining to these appointments. Motion was made by Albert Yount that Mr Abernethy write a letter and send a copy of Mr. Hensey's letter to both party chairmen for their information. This motion was seconded by Bill Hasty and unanimously approved.

Supervisor's report: She was asked to investigate Viewmont 1 #36 polling place (Viewmont Elementary School). She advised it is very nice and meets the handicap requirements. The distance from the parking lot is a little long, but no further than from a parking lot in a mall. The walkway is under cover. Mr. Abernethy suggested she contact the principal again and request the teachers to leave the parking places in front. (It is a teacher work-day). The parking in the rear of the building was discussed.

The supervisor reported she had talked with the Registrar in Viewmont 3 #38 about splitting his books by the alphabet for this election. It was favorable by Mr. Harold Eckard.

The Board also discussed splitting Sherrills Ford #31 as it is the 2nd largest precinct. The supervisor was requested to contact the Registrar.

Other Business: Mr. Abernethy brought to the Board's attention the copy of a letter send by Attorney Joe Cagle for candidate Marie Huffman. The letter was addressed to a political committee. Mr. Abernethy requested of the Board their feeling about what they should do, if anything. This was discussed thoroughly. It was not clear in the letter addressed to Mr. Jeff Dellinger, what Mr. Cagle wanted the Board to do. Mr. Albert Yount suggested the letter be referred to the State Board of Elections and be through with it. Bill Hasty moved the Board contact Attorney Cagle and invite him to appear before the Board and state his case. Mr. Abernethy agreed. Mr. Abernethy felt that the political committee should be invited also. In other discussion, Mr. Yount stated "he did not have any problem having both of them here, but wanted it understood that this is not a hearing or inquisition. It was unanimous to pass the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that the Board schedule and invite by letter candidate Marie H. Huffman, her attorney, Joe Cagle, and Mr. Russell Burgess and Mr. Jeff Dellinger of Citizens for Change and Better Government (CCBG) to attend a hearing at which the invitees, as well as the general public, may present argument concerning the proper Board response to the petition presented on behalf of Marie H. Huffman concerning a flyer allegedly distributed by CCBG and attached to Mr. Cagle's letter dated September 18, 1992

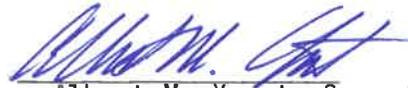
It was agreed to send blank copies of the letter to the party chairmen. Mr. Yount stated again "another way to handle this, is to send the whole thing, kit and kaboodle, to the State Board of Elections for their action. Mr. Abernethy felt this was county business. It was decided this would be the first thing on the Agenda for Tuesday, October 6, 1992 at 8:15 a.m.

David Abernethy made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel matters. This motion was seconded by Bill Hasty and unanimously approved. The Board reconvened back into regular session. No action taken

The committee that was appointed at last meeting discussed with the chairman, the content of the white erase boards for displaying election results in the Justice Center. Each candidate was discussed. Mr. Yount felt that at least one Libertarian should be on the Board. It was agreed it would be the Presidential candidate.

Mr. Abernethy requested the supervisor to review what the committee had come up with and compare with the Call In sheets. The county had built portable frames to mount the white erase boards and the Board went to review. It was unanimous to adjourn after the review. (The Board was pleased with the county's work).

There being no further business, Bill Hasty moved to adjourn. this was unanimous.



Albert M. Yount, Secretary

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections met on Tuesday, October 6, 1992 at 8:15 a.m. Members present were David Abernethy (David), Bill Hasty (Bill) and Albert Yount (Albert).

1st item of business was a hearing.

The hearing concerning the Concerned Citizens for Better Government (the Committee) handbill was called to order at 8:15 a.m. All members were present. The Board had notified Marie Huffman and her attorney, and Jeff Dellinger and Russell Burgess of the Committee, of the hearing by telephone and by letter. The Chairman invited any member of the public to speak who wished to do so.

Candidate Marie Huffman stated to the Board that she personally saw Mr. Russ Burgess and Mr. Jeff Dellinger passing out copies of the handbill on 8/24/92. She stated that she had had no discussions with anyone promising to give favors while acting in public office. She further stated that her reputation was important to her and that any reasonable person could see that the handbill was defamatory.

Her attorney, Mr. Joe Cagle, asked the Board to commence an investigation against the Committee on the basis of a violation by the committee of G.S. 163-274(8). The chairman stated the only question he knew of that could be investigated was whether the committee had any evidence of improper or illegal conduct by candidate Marie Huffman. Mr. Cagle agreed this was so.

Sheriff David Huffman praised the Board's actions two years ago in exposing the publishers of an unsigned political handbill and supported candidate Marie Huffman's request for relief.

In discussion, Mr. Abernethy briefly reviewed the duties of a court in a case of criminal libel as expressed in State v. Howard, 169 NC 312 (1915). He stated that the second question in the handbill might be construed in three possible ways. The first way was simply that the sheriff knew what the duties and powers of a county commissioner are. Mr. Abernethy rejected this construction because he doubted that anyone read the handbill in that way. The second construction was that the sheriff was insincere. This second construction was supported by a statement in the Hickory News (9/24/92) that "The statements implied Sheriff Huffman, not related, was interested in supporting Mrs. Huffman's campaign only because the county commissioners control the sheriff's budget and salary." The third construction was that candidate Marie Huffman and the sheriff had entered into an illegal conspiracy. Although Mr. Abernethy believed the second was the most natural construction, question 2 did say "he knew ...she would help..." and question 8 asked if another candidate had violated any laws, which tends to color the reading of the other questions. The handbill was distributed at a county fair, where most people would tend to scan it quickly and jump to conclusions. He concluded that, at worst, the handbill was ambiguous, with one construction defamatory and the other not as to candidate Marie Huffman.

Mr. Abernethy stated the sole issue before the Board was whether to investigate and issue subpoenas. Mr. Hasty stated he wished for the Board to consult the County Attorney before deciding.

Mr. Yount said that he did not need to investigate, because he could see that the handbill was derogatory on its face. Mr. Yount moved that the Board issue a public statement that the Board considers the handbill to be a low, sleazy, personal attack on a person's good name, and the Board would like to see it immediately

stopped. Mr. Abernethy stated the Board had no power to enjoin publications of political literature and that the Board was not in the business of acting as a censor of same. Mr. Yount's motion then passed, Mr. Abernethy dissenting. The hearing then adjourned and the Board recessed.

Mr. Hasty moved the Board recess to reconvene in the board room to review absentee applications. This was unanimous. Mr. Abernethy called the meeting back in session.

Mr. Hasty apologized to the supervisor about his not receiving a copy of the Administrative Code. He found it among his papers. He suggested that perhaps the members should sign for papers given them. Mr. Abernethy stated he had called the supervisor to advise her he had his copy that was given in 9/91.

Mr. Hasty moved to dispense with the minutes of previous meeting until the next meeting. It was unanimous.

Mr. Hasty made the motion to approve the following absentee applications:

All A/B's: A/B-15, 25, 31, 43, 44, 49, 58, 117, 119, 120, 126, 143, 166, 172, 201; All C's: C-14, 18, 75, 76, 84, 96 through 103, C-108 through 118, C-120 through C-141. M-146 through M-157, M-159 through M-161 and M-163 and M-164. This motion was seconded by Albert Yount and unanimously approved. M-158 and M-162 were not approved. The supervisor was requested to call the State Board for advice since on the FPCA request does not state they are Military. The supervisor was advised to call David Abernethy with information from the State Board. (Mr. Brock says the 2 request in question should be treated as over-seas voters since not registered and not in service).

The supervisor reported on splitting Sherrills Ford registration books alphabetically. The registrar was contacted and was agreeable.

Bill Hasty moved to accept the supervisors recommendation for the content on the Erase Board using the call in sheet as a guide on election night.

This was unanimous.

Bill Hasty moved we paint the Erase Board's frames. This motion was seconded by Albert Yount. This was unanimous. The color chosen was white.

Motion was made by Bill Hasty to appoint Dean Richey as Republican Judge in Startown precinct #34 as recommended by Lynda DeHart, chairman of the Catawba County Republican Party. This was unanimous .

The supervisor advised the Board she had talked with the Secretary at Hickory High School about the students help on November 3, 1992. She said she would have a Mr. Yount, Social Studies teacher call.

In discussion, it was decided to discuss it Friday and if not heard anything, will make another school selection.

The supervisor advised the Board of the all time high voter registration. She was concerned we did not have 100% of ballots. It was decided to order an additional 2,000 instead of 1,000 depending on the cost as once it is set up does not cost that much more. It was decided the need outweighed the cost. The law states that 80% of voter registration in ballots be sent to precincts. It was decided to send 85% for this election.

The Board was given 3 voter registration cards that have felony convictions. They were each discussed separately. It was felt by Mr Hasty that if we take a persons word that he had been convicted of a felon, then we should take his word his citizenship had been restored. The feeling of Mr. Abernethy was that we at least ought to check with the most recent citizenship restorations. Motion was made by Bill Hasty that the three (3) be approved. This motion was seconded by Albert Yount and unanimously approved. The supervisor asked for future guidance. Mr. Abernethy stated "if they say their citizenship is restored 10 or more years ago, which is 1982 or back, take their word for it. If less than 10 years ago (1982, 83, 84, etc) try to check it out. Mr. Hasty seconded. It was unanimously approved.

The teacher parking at Viewmont 1 #36 polling place, Viewmont Elementary School was discussed. Mr. Abernethy advised to check it out. The moving of the polling place for future elections was discussed. No decision made.

There being no further business, David Abernethy moved we adjourn. This motion was seconded by Bill Hasty and unanimously approved.


Albert M. Yount, Secretary

Note: Mr. Hasty gave each member and the supervisor a copy of a letter he had written the State Board. He ask that it be made a part of these minutes. Mr Abernethy disagreed because it would take a Board action, but he could ask to file anything he wished. Mr. Hasty agreed to file it.

October 9, 1992 8:15 A M

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections members met in the office of the board of elections on Friday, October 9, 1992 at 8:15.m. Members present were David Abernethy and Bill Hasty. Mr. Yount asked to be excused.

Motion was made by Bill Hasty to approve the minutes of September 29, 1992. This motion seconded by David Abernethy and unanimously approved.

Motion was made by David Abernethy to approve the minutes of October 6, 1992 as each had copies prior this meeting. This motion was seconded by Bill Hasty and unanimously approved.

Motion was made by David Abernethy to approve the following absentee applications and container envelopes:

C's: C-22, 23, 95, 106, 142 through 151, C-155 through 161. M-158, M-162, M-165, M-166 and M-167; A/B's: A/B-8, 9, 17, 35, 36, 65, 68, 69, 87, 91, 103, 114, 137, 144, 153, 184, 185, 192, 206, 212, 218, 238, 244, 264 and OS-1 through OS-71.

This motion was seconded by Bill Hasty and unanimously approved.

The supervisor reported she had been in contact with Debbie Marsh, teacher at Hickory High School and she would bring 4 of her top students as well as herself to help on election day with the counting of absentee's and to help at the Justice Center to post if needed.

There being no further business, David Abernethy moved we adjourn, seconded by Bill Hasty and unanimously approved.


Bill Hasty, member

Tuesday, October 13, 1992 8:15 A M

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections met in the office of the board of elections on Tuesday, October 13, 1992 at 8:15 a.m. Members present were David Abernethy and Bill Hasty. Albert Yount asked to be excused.

Motion was made by David Abernethy to approve the minutes of previous meeting. This motion was seconded by Bill Hast. It was unanimous.

The purpose of this meeting was to approve absentee applications and container envelopes. Motion was made by David Abernethy to approve the following:

OS-72 through OS-149, M-172, M-173, M-174, M-175, M-176, M-177, C's 45 through C-94, C-163, C-177, C-179 through C-182, A/B's 11, 34, 59, 63, 76, 82, 96, 97, 133, 141, 179, 180, 190, 217, 225, 241, 265, 266, 273, 283, and 286. This motion was seconded by Bill Hasty. It was unanimous.

One Military application was discussed as ballots had been sent to the voter in September at a different address. It was unanimous to write him at his new address advising him they had been mailed 9/ /92.

Mr. Abernethy had received a letter from a Mr. Dewey Welch. No reply necessary and Bill Hasty moved it be filed. Mr. Hasty had received a reply to his letter to the State Board of Elections, from Mr. Hensey of the Attorney General's office. It also was requested to be filed.

Motion was made by David Abernethy to appoint Derrianna C. Powell as democrat judge in Oakland Heights #26 precinct as recommended by John Cilley. This was seconded by Bill Hasty. It was unanimous.

Motion was made by David Abernethy that William Treadwell be appointed as republican judge in College Park #11 precinct. This was unanimous. Lynda DeHart will be notified.

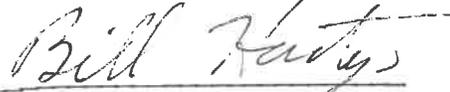
The counting of absentee ballots at 2 p.m. on November 3, 1992 was again discussed. The supervisor suggested that the Board may want to consider counting in the Meeting Room of the Government Center because of space needed with the extra help, and so the members could all be together in the same room to supervise and do their job. Mr. Abernethy wanted to be sure there would be security if the members had to leave during the count. They were assured the room could be secured. The members agreed it would be better to have the space and all in one room. The count will be in the meeting room.

There were several precinct changes done that the voter had been purged. David Abernethy made the motion they all be treated as original registrations. He hated to turn someone down because of a technicality. Mr. Hasty recommended that they be contacted by phone for enough information, and if not able to contact, put on book, flag them and when appeared to vote, get the additional information needed, but if can get the needed information by phone, go ahead and make registration card. Mr. Abernethy stated the signature of the voter was on the precinct transfer. (It was suggested to look up their purged card for additional information.)

A voter had requested an absentee ballot, but was not registered. The voter's wife told supervisor her husband had registered with his landlord, but when contacted the registration commissioner, she could not locate the card. It was agreed to accept the registration done now if the official sends an affidavit along with the registration card that she did register this person before books closed. If receive this affidavit, then honor the absentee request.

Another request was discussed. The voter's address on the book was different than the one listed as a return address. The two addresses were in different precincts. The supervisor was not sure of domicile and asked for guidance. She was advised to call or write for this information before honoring the request.

There being no further business, David Abernethy moved to adjourn, seconded by Bill Hasty. We stand adjourned.


Bill Hasty, Member

Friday, October 16, 1992 8:15 a.m.

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections met in the office of the board of elections on Friday, October 16, 1992 at 8:15 a.m. Members present were David Abernethy, Bill Hasty and Albert Yount.

The minutes of the previous meeting were unanimously approved. (Each member had copies prior this meeting).

The purpose of this meeting was to review absentee applications & container envelopes. Motion was made by David Abernethy to approve the following:

- OS-150 through OS-218, A/B's-5, 7, 14, 16, 61, 71, 79, 89, 92, 107, 132
- 139, 140, 176, 183, 194, 202, 189, 210, 219, 228, 229, 231, 240, 248, 249,
- 280, 259, 316, 317, 324, 325, 333, 340, 342, 353, 354, 355, C-s 24, C-183
- through C-205, C-210 through C-237.

This motion was seconded by Albert Yount and unanimously approved.

The chairman requested information as to the status of precinct officials for November 3, 1992. He was advised that there was a vacancy in Oakwood #14 for a Democrat Judge and in Ridgeview #15 for a Republican Judge. This was discussed thoroughly and it was decided to call both party chairmen and tell them we need these positions by 11 a.m. Monday, because the officials need to come to one of the instructional meetings next week. If the parties don't name the official, the Board will.

It was agreed to invite both party chairmen to our instructional meetings, but advise them that they are not mandated to do so, but are invited.

Mr. Bill Hasty made a motion to change three (3) ballots because he believed these 3 ballots are just exactly alike and we had better change to be consistent, and have these 3 ballots re-printed. In discussion, Mr. Hasty stated that in his opinion that the way we had the first ballot before we changed it was not illegal and felt these applied the same way. He also stated these are not illegal and could have been done either way. Mr. Hasty advised he wanted the minutes to reflect "when some one challenges this Board, he wanted everybody to know that he opposed having the ballots different. Mr. Yount questioned Mr. Hasty about telling them "something was wrong with the ballots and then he still considered them legal". Mr. Abernethy felt it necessary to read the statute pertaining to multi-seat ballots. To this, Mr. Hasty withdrew the non-partisan ballot from the three (3), leaving the two (2) house ballots. The motion died for lack of a second.

The supervisor presented a precinct transfer done for a Mrs. Dorothy Burk that she had questions about. Mrs. Burk is not a registered voter in Catawba County. The situation was explained. Bill Hasty made motion that we accept the precinct change and contact her for registration information, as it was done in good faith. This was unanimous.

A request for absentee application and ballots was discussed for a Mrs. Hazel Good. The office had received additional information. It was agreed to send her a precinct transfer in a separate mailing and also honor her request for absentee application and ballots. This was unanimous. David Abernethy suggested sending the blue transfer within Catawba County in one mailing and her ballots in another.

The supervisor presented a complaint about the polling place in Monogram. The registrar states the building needs a stove pipe as it is not safe. Mr.

Abernethy shared with the members of a conversation he had with a lawyer friend from that area. He said his feeling is "if the people in that precinct can't find a polling place for themselves, then it is time to abolish that precinct. David Abernethy recommended that we contact both party chairmen and tell them about this information and that the Board would appreciate any effort the parties can make on behalf of the voters to help these people in that precinct to get themselves a decent source of heat for this election. Tell the party chairmen that we have been told this polling place will be unavailable after this election. Mr. Hasty stated "if they can't find a place, we will consider abolishing this precinct and putting it in another precinct." Mr. Abernethy and Mr. Yount were in favor of this.

There being no further business, it was unanimous to adjourn.



Albert M Yount

October 20, 1992 8:15 A M

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections met in the office of the board of elections on Tuesday, October 20, 1992 at 8:15 a.m. Members present were David Abernethy (David), Bill Hasty (Bill) and Albert Yount (Albert).

Motion was made by David Abernethy to approve the minutes of October 16, 1992. This motion was seconded by Albert Yount. It was unanimous.

The purpose of this meeting was to review absentee applications and container envelopes. Motion was made by David Abernethy, seconded by Bill Hasty and unanimously approved to approve the following:

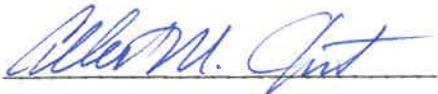
- OS-219 through OS-322
- A/B-'s 3, 20, 21, 27, 41, 64, 78, 85, 99, 122, 131, 136, 152, 155, 156, 170, 171, 176, 186, 187, 197, 214, 221, 230, 234, 255, 256, 262, 271, 278, 288, 300, 301, 318, 319, 320, 321, 360, 368, 400, 401, M-178, M-179, M-180, M-181, & M-182.

The precinct vacancies were discussed. If officials not recommended by Wednesday, October 21, 1992, the office staff will search for them.

The chairman reminded the other members of the instructional meetings to be held on Tuesday night 10/20/92 and Thursday night 10/22/92.

The supervisor advised the Board that there would be 6 students from Hickory School on November 3, 1992 to held with Absentees.

There being no further business, Bill Hasty moved to adjourn. This was unanimous.


 Albert M Yount, Secretary

Friday, October 23, 1992 8:15 a.m.

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections met in the office of the board of elections on Friday, October 23, 1992 at 8:15 a.m. Members present were David Abernethy, Bill Hasty and Albert Yount.

The minutes of previous meeting were sent each member prior this meeting. It was unanimous they stand approved as presented.

The purpose of this meeting was to review absentee applications and container envelopes. Motion was made by David to approve the following:

OS- 323 through OS-430, C's- 208, 209, 239, 241, 273, 274 through C-299, C-301 through C-336, M-183, A/B's- 93, 101, 102, 108, 54, 111, 142, 77, 134, 30, 113, 199, 211, 215, 45, 233, 223, 298, 237, 304, 305, 447, 383, 382, 306, 329, 331, 357, 389, 390, 395, 399, 450, 417, 416, 415, 414, 413, 412, 391, 364, 345, 338, 315, 365 and A/B-370.

This motion seconded by Albert Yount and unanimously approved.

The supervisor presented 5 A/B applications and container envelopes that needed a signature of a voter or a witness. She was unsure if returned for the needed information, if they would get back. Motion was made by David Abernethy to return to the voter. This motion seconded by Albert Yount and unanimously approved.

It was unanimous to appoint Alan Dula as Republican Judge in Ridgeview #15, Ann Mason, Democrat Judge in Oakwood and Betty C. Simmons as Democrat Judge in N Newton #25

A Mrs. Dorrer came before the Board about a registration done for her husband and herself at the Fair four (4) years ago and was not turned in to the office. Bill Hasty moved that the Board properly register Mrs. Dorrer and to do her husband if he came in by Tuesday. This motion was seconded by Albert Yount. Mr. Abernethy stated for the record, "we certainly have had problems with Fair registrations.

David Abernethy had drafted a letter to both Party Chairmen about ethical treatment of campaign signs. He moved that the letter be sent to both party chairman. This motion was seconded by Albert Yount and unanimously approved.

The supervisor advised that the machines are planned to be logic tested and sealed on Saturday and did they wish to be there. She was advised to contact both party chairman and advise them.

Mr. Abernethy requested a copy of the call in sheet be sent over to the Justice Center by FAX by Tuesday.

There being no further business. David Abernethy moved to adjourn. This was unanimous.

Albert M Yount

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections met in the office of the board of elections on Monday, October 26, 1992 at 8:15 a.m. (8th day prior election). Members present were David Abernethy, Bill Hasty and Albert Yount.

The minutes of Friday, October 23, 1992 were presented each member. They read them and they were unanimously approved.

The purpose of this meeting was to review absentee applications and container envelopes. Motion was made by Bill Hasty to approve the following:

- OS-41 through OS-488, C's 337 through C-358, A/B-s 38, 47, ⁵⁵70, 118, 147, 154, 158, 239, 327, 350, 362, 281, 282, 363, 374, 419, 436, 465, 468, 460, 381, 411, 56, 55 and M-184 through M-188.

This motion was seconded by Albert Yount and unanimously approved.

Mr. Abernethy requested that the staff mark the return sheets with a "see below" so that the write-in's would be recorded properly.

The splitting of St. Stephens 1 #28 precinct was discussed. It was unanimous that the books be split alphabetically and the Registrar be contacted.

Mr. Albert Yount contacted Joe Robinson and Bud Reinhardt about posting on the white board at the Justice Center on Election night. They both agreed to help.

The placement of the white boards was discussed. A decision to be made tomorrow.

There being no further business, Bill Hasty moved to adjourn. This was unanimous.



 Albert M Yount

October 27, 1992 8:15 A M

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections met in the office of the board of elections on October 27, 1992 at 8:15 A M. Members present were David Abernethy, Bill Hasty and Albert Yount.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read by each member and Bill Hasty moved to approve with the changing of the word alphabet to alphabetically. This motion was seconded by David Abernethy and unanimously approved.

The purpose of this meeting was to review absentee applications and container envelopes. Motion was made by Bill Hasty to approve the following:

OS-489 through OS-606, C-359 through C-381, A/B's, 167, 193, 205, 235, 253, 376, 377, 421, 431, 454, 490 and 492.

Motion was made by David Abernethy to reject the request for absentee ballots for a Mr. Ronald R Meadows as not enough information furnished. This motion was seconded by Albert Yount and unanimously approved.

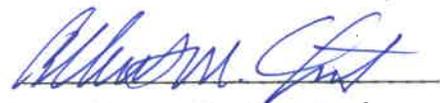
The request for absentee ballots for a Mr. Augustus Williams was approved and will note the reason when application returned. Mr. Hasty moved to honor his request and it was unanimous.

The white boards were discussed. It was decided to place them in the Jury Assembly Room (Big Room).

Mr. Abernethy requested the supervisor to check with who is in charge at the Justice Center to see the doors are unlocked and the lights on for election night.

Mr. Abernethy authorized the supervisor to handle absentee request for sickness and disabled persons requesting to vote after October 27, 1992.

There being no further business, Mr. Hasty moved to adjourn. This was unanimous.



Albert M. Yount, Secretary

By Charles

Wednesday, October 28, 1992 8:15 A.M.

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections met in the office of the board of elections on Wednesday, October 28, 1992 at 8:15 a.m. (6th day before election). Members present were David Abernethy, Bill Hasty and Albert Yount.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read by each member. Motion was made by David Abernethy to approve as submitted after deleting the words after "Big Room" in 7th paragraph. This motion was seconded by Bill Hasty and unanimously approved.

The purpose of this meeting was to review absentee applications and container envelopes. Motion was made by David Abernethy to approve the following after minor additions were added to some by the staff as was over-looked when done:

- OS-607 through OS-690, C-242, C-382 through C-413, A/B's 50, 57, 83, 98, 145, 149, 200, 204, 226, 242, 250, 25, 254, 276, 293, 296, 309, 311, 344, 486, 404, 442, 443, 464-, 470, 471, 472, 479, 451 and 486.

This motion was unanimous.

The vacancy in Longview 3 #19 was discussed due to the death of the spouse of Dorcas Holland. The supervisor advised the Board of the conversation she had with the chairman of the Catawba County Republican Party. Fay Bean, the Republican Judge will serve as Registrar and a Mrs. Fay Brittain had been contacted to serve as Republican Judge and would advise the supervisor on Thursday if she could. Mr. Hasty moved that the supervisor take care of this. This was unanimous.

The supervisor reported for the minutes that all machines were logic tested and sealed. The serial numbers are #408, #399, #400, #394, #414 and #420 for the record as per statute. The sealing and testing was done by the supervisor, Wanda Mode, and Linda Locke, assisted by William Rudisill.

The lack of space in the office was discussed. It was unanimous to check the space and adjourn from this inspection.



 ALBERT M. YOUNT

November 2, 1992 Monday 5:00 p.m.

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections met on Monday (1st day prior the election) in the office of the board of elections at 5:00 p.m. Members present were David Abernethy, Bill Hasty and Albert Yount.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read by each member. Motion was made by Bill Hasty to approve and seconded by David Abernethy. It was unanimous.

The purpose of this meeting was to review absentee applications and container envelopes. Motion was made by David Abernethy to approve the following:

- OS-691 through OS-1018, A/B's 438, 88, 346, 425, 337, 252, 448, 428,
- 427, 406, 37, 94, 498, 260, 261, 330, 2, 452, 209, 489, 423, 359, 292, 499,
- 440, 279, 227, 135, 420, 533, 373, 501, 181, 463, 526, 475, 515, 514, 403,
- 512, 263, 75, 112, 477, 347, 334, 116, 522, 203, 429, 398, 290, 348,
- 182, 291, 513, 220, 22, 188, 39, 310, 287, 277, 336, 159, 160, 462,
- 328, 236, 284, 267, 268, 308, 246, 247, 524, 532, 433, 441, 169, 161, 385,
- 13, 402, 299, 372, 26, 115, 157, 19, 384, 481, 51, 453, 482, 483, 67,
- 33, 435, 343, 439, 484, 162, 173, 491, 208, 307, 459, 519, 457, 366, 121,
- 123, 124, 125, 28, 270, 232, 174, 361, 18, 42, 269, 410, 258, 257, 352, 341,
- 442, 444, 466, 487, 473, 474, 195, 274, 418, 394, 6, 60, 66, 105, 127, 129,
- 161, 191, 216, 275, 295, 297, 326, 335, 339, 351, 358, 393, 396, 397, 426,
- 437, 449, 456, 4621, 467, 480, 488, 493, 500, 502, 504, 505, 507, 523,
- 525, 528, 529, 531, 636, 455, 510, other A/B's 224, 168, 509, 458, 408,
- 349, 313, 285, 196, 177 and 424.

This motion was seconded by Albert Yount and unanimously approved. CSS-1019 was approved unanimously for Jon Andrew Whitener who was entering the hospital on Tuesday November 3, 1992 at 8:30 a.m. It was unanimous by all to approve CC-413 through CC-427

A request for an observer was approved as was timely filed for the College Park Precinct #11.

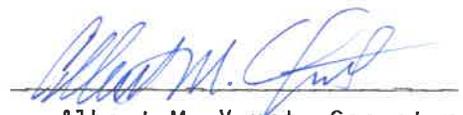
As requested by the board to be notified of any late campaign filings before being sent to the State Board, this board was so notified. A candidate was late in filing this report. It was due on October 26, 1992. The candidate, (Gretchen Peed) was called and it was filed on October 28, 1992. The supervisor was advised to notify the State Board Campaign Reporting Office.

David Abernethy received a letter of complaint from the Citizens for Change and Better Government along with campaign advertisement of Robert (Bob) Hibbitts that bore no "logo". (paid for by _____). This was discussed. It was unanimous to send the complaint along with newspaper clippings to the State Board of Elections.

It was unanimous to appoint Faye Brittain as republican judge in Longview 3 #19 precinct.

The canvass on Thursday was discussed. For the first time, the Board will use the computer print-out, check each precinct return and tape each respective office to the official abstract. The supervisor was advised to take the print-out and mark in red any corrections that needs to be done, key them and get a final print-out which the board will compare the return against.

There being no further business, David Abernethy moved to adjourn. This was unanimous.



Albert M. Yount, Secretary

November 3, 1992 Election Day 5:30 a.m.

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections staff were on duty in the office of the board of elections at 5:30 a.m. to assist if any problems in precincts. Mr Abernethy arrived at 6:00 a.m. Mr. Hasty and Mr. Yount arrived approximately 8 and 8:30 a.m after having checked some precincts on the way to office.

November 3, 1992 2:00 P.M.

David Abernethy, Bill Hasty and Albert Yount met in the Meeting Room in the Government Center at 2:00 p.m. for the purpose of counting absentee ballots. Assisting were 6 students and their teacher, Debbie Morris from Hickory High School. Also assisting was the supervisor, Wanda Mode, deputy supervisor and Bill Rudisill.

The absentee voters names were entered into the absentee poll book by the staff. Each were checked by the board members. The Board Members signed the poll book. (David Abernethy moved to disapprove absentee ballots M-3, M-43, M-44, M-61, M-95, M-104, M-106, M-118, M-119, M-159, M-160, C-90, C-140, C-133 and C-268 because certification of voters was not complete. Also PR-3 and two (2) Federal Write-Ins because did not fall within the guidelines. This motion was seconded by Albert Yount and unanimously approved.)

While the absentee count was being conducted, the Board was informed that in Sandy Ridge #30 precinct, that the three (3) officials had no help. The County Board then ordered the precinct officials by telephone to recruit additional help if humanly possible. At the end of the day, it was found that several pages of the poll book in that precinct had been torn out in order to create two (2) separate poll books. To this, Mr. Yount stated "that's an assumption on our part". Mr. Abernethy reported this was done apparently due to a possible misunderstanding instructions of verbal instructions from Mr. Bill Hasty. Mr Hasty stated that he thought it should be in the minutes that both party chairmen, Democrat and Republican were notified. There was a lack of help there and we (the board) requested them to go there to that precinct and find any voters they could that were from that precinct, to help. Mr. Hasty stated the instructions he gave Lynda DeHart was whatever is necessary. He told her to "split the books" so they could get more than one line going through. He stated what he had in mind was to split the print-out books (registration). He said it did not cross his mind that when some one was checked off the registration book that they had to have their names entered in a poll book. He said "had he known it would have meant tearing pages out of the poll book, he would have so instructed.

There were 1978 absentee ballots, 2 Presidential Registration and 2 Overseas Ballots counted with results as follows:

FOR PRESIDENT & VP	<u>Absentee Votes</u>	FOR U. S. SENATOR	<u>Absentee Votes</u>
Clinton/Gore (D)	804	Terry Sanford (D)	816
Bush/Quayle (R)	923	Lauch Faircloth (R)	1068
Marrou/Lord (L)	4	Bobby Yates Emory (L)	51
Pérot/Stockdale (U)	224	Qualified Write-in	
Qualifed Write-in		Zakutney (NL)	0
Hagelin/Tompkins (NL)	0	Kimball (SW)	0
Fulani/Munoz (NA)	0		
Warren/deBates (SW)	0	FOR MEMBER OF CONGRESS (10th)	
		Ben Neill (D)	646
		T Cass Ballenger (R)	1233
		Jeffrey Clayton Brown (L)	47

FOR GOVERNOR

Absentee Votes

James B. Hunt	(D)	929
Jim Gardner	(R)	928
Scott McLaughlin	(L)	74

FOR LT. GOVERNOR

Dennis A Wicker	(D)	857
Art Pope	(R)	948
Jeanette C Small	(L)	85

FOR SECRETARY OF STATE

Rufus L Edmisten	(D)	866
John H Carrington	(R)	956
H R Parker, Jr	(L)	56

FOR STATE AUDITOR

Ralph Campbell	(D)	804
J Vernon Abernethy	(R)	993

FOR STATE TREASURER

Harlan E Boyles	(D)	749
Betsy Young Justus	(R)	1010
Ron Holland	(L)	74

FOR SUPT PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

Bob Etheridge	(D)	832
Teena S Little	(R)	951
Anna Lyon	(L)	0

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL

Mike Easley	(D)	937
Joe Dean	(R)	862
Lawrence Berry	(L)	57

FOR COMM. OF AGRICULTURE

James A Graham	(D)	918
Leo Tew	(R)	842
Bob McQuigg	(L)	72

FOR COMM. OF LABOR

Harry E Payne Jr	(D)	815
Nelskn Dollar	(R)	938
F Craig Springer	(L)	70

FOR COMM. OF INSURANCE

Jim Long	(D)	845
Mike Causey	(R)	926
Kennerth Wayne Day	(L)	64

FOR ASSOC. JUSTICE SUPREME CT Absentee Votes

Sarah Parker	(D)	856
I Beverly Lake Jr	(R)	997

FOR ASSOC. JUSTICE SUPREME CT.

Henry E Frye	(D)	970
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FOR ASSOC. JUSTICE SUPREME CT.

Burley B Mitchell, Jr	(D)	968
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FOR JUDGE COURT OF APPEALS

Anthony M Brannon	(D)	798
Robert F Orr	(R)	1032

FOR JUDGE COURT OF APPEALS

Joseph R John	(D)	812
Ralph A Walker	(R)	1006

FOR JUDGE COURT OF APPEALS

John C Martin	(D)	815
Ronald E Bogle	(R)	1025

FOR JUDGE OF COURT OF APPEALS

Gerald Arnold	(D)	960
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FOR JUDGE OF COURT OF APPEALS

Jack Cozort	(D)	955
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FOR JUDGE OF COURT OF APPEALS

John B Lewis, Jr	(D)	954
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FOR JUDGE OF COURT OF APPEALS

James A Wynn, Jr	(D)	949
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FOR SUPERIOR COURT JUDGES

District 1

J Richard Parker	(D)	807
Steven D Michael	(R)	1001

District 10-B

Henry V Barnette, Jr	(D)	826
Robert L Farmer	(D)	881
Howard E Manning Jr	(R)	1038

District 3-A

Wilton Russell Duke, Jr	(D)	910
David E Reid, Jr	(D)	937

District 4-B

James R Strickland	(D)	955
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District 8-B

Paul M Wright	(D)	958
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District 19-A

James C Davis	(D)	956
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District 20-A

F Fetzer Mills	(D)	922
James M Webb	(D)	948

FOR DISTRICT COURT JUDGE Absentee Votes

Nancy Einstein (D) 1323

FOR STATE SENATOR District 26

Jerry W Willard (D) 849
Austin M Allran (R) 1065

FOR STATE REP. DISTRICT 43

C Robert Brawley (R) 188

DISTRICT 45th

Ray Hoyle (D) 363
J Ed Robinette (D) 393
Cherie Killian Berry (R) 478
Charles R Preston (R) 473

DISTRICT 46th

David T Flaherty Jr (R) 343
Gregg Thompson (R) 349

DISTRICT 91st

Marjorie O. Strawn (D) 71
George S Robinson (R) 102FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
(Regular Term)Fred Fulbright (D) 807
Evans Propst (D) 766
Robert E Hibbitts (R) 1059
Gretchen Peed (R) 1089

FOR REGISTER OF DEEDS

Ruth Mackie (R) 1374

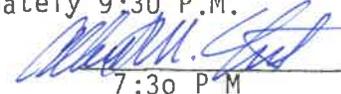
FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
(unexpired term)Vivienne P Stafford (D) 890
Marie H Huffman (R) 965FOR SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
(non-partisan)James E Reinhardt III - 478
write-in 6

FOR COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

(unexpired term) Absentee VotesBeth Lutz Bowam 597
Randy Ewing 343

FOR BOARD MEMBERS

(Regular term)

Harold R Biggerstaff 589
Betty C Blackburn 543
Thelma (Pam) Ramseur 424
Jack D Sigmon 431
Grace C Vaught 338
Charlie C Wyant 501
Write-in 1Counting of absentee ballots ended
approximately 9:30 P.M.

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7:30 P.M.

The votes were reported from the 39 precincts. The results were posted on grid boards in the Justice Center, precinct by precinct. The accumulative totals were displayed on TV monitors, etc. by the Management Information Center.

The unofficial precinct returns were completed at 3:15 A. M. on November 4, 1992.

Next meeting will be Thursday, November 5, 1992 for the Canvass at 11:00 a.m. SHARP.



Albert M Yount

Thursday, November 5, 1992 11:00 A.M.

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections met in the Board's room in Newton at 1100 5 November, 1992. The meeting's purpose was to comply with N.C. General Statute 163-175 (to certify the election results at an official canvass). Members present: David Abernethy (David); Bill Hasty (Bill); Albert Yount (Albert). Also present were Ms. Lynda Lea DeHart, Chairperson of the Catawba County Republican Party, J. B. Stearns and the Supervisor of Elections. Joyce Rudisill.

The minutes of the 2 November 1992 meeting were approved

Discussion was held reference the poll book from Precinct #30 (Sandy Ridge. The poll book of this precinct had been torn to accomplish the precinct officials having two poll books to record voters names who appeared to vote in the Sandy Ridge precinct. It is to be noted that Bill directed the splitting of the precinct list on his own action, thereby necessitating two poll books. Bill had earlier informed the Board of this action. David requested the poll book be brought before the Board. It was verified that all torn out pages from the Sandy Ridge precinct poll book had been returned. No pages are missing from the poll book issued to the Sandy Ridge registrar. The main book for the precinct had 1181 voters listed as voted, and the supplement (torn out pages) book had 411 voters listed as voted. Motion made to correct the 3 November 1992 2:00 p.m. meeting minutes to reflect the above. All ayes.

Albert requested that the minutes reflect that he had no knowledge of the Sandy Ridge precinct registrar being told to split his precinct and learned of the poll book being torn early on the morning of 4 November, 1992. David asked that the minutes show that during the instructional meetings the officials had been instructed with specific instructions about a possible heavy voter turnout for this election and that each precinct should have adequate help for the election. David stated that he did not know of Bill's actions in Sandy Ridge precinct, but realized that Bill's intention was to speed voters through the line to vote and to - in general - help out the precinct.

Bill informed the Board that Sandy Ridge voted 63% of its registered voters and that surrounding precincts voted from 66 to 75% of voters registered. Bill stated he personally felt that a minimum of 80 persons did not get to vote in Sandy Ridge, and had he known of the situation in Sandy Ridge precinct, that he would have split the precinct earlier than he did.

Mr. Jeremiah Beechum Stearnes appeared before the Board. Albert informed the Board that Stearns had called him more than one time at his home, stating that he wanted to inform the Board of alleged inequities in Precinct #7 (Conover West). Mr. Stearnes read a prepared statement (made a part of these minutes). The statement was directed at registrar, Elmer Lint, and alleges that Lint did not give out the multi-seat county commissioner ballot until after the first 150 or so voters had voted. A hearing is to be held on this matter on 24 November, 1992.

Mrs. Lynda Lea DeHart appeared and informed the Board of inequities in the Sandy Ridge precinct. Inequities centered around alleged loss of ballot security, poor planning on the part of the registrar - Gary Teague- and the general ineffective nature of the registrar's actions on election day. Ms. DeHart did not file a written complaint but was informed she could do so at her desire within the next two weeks.

Ms. DeHart thanked the Board and Mrs. Rudisill - Supervisor - for their help to her personally in the election process and stated that she was sorry she tore our book.

A letter of thanks was authorized to be sent to the Hickory High School students who assisted in absentee vote counting and registering the results on tally boards.

A letter was authorized to be mailed to the State Board of Elections generally complaining and asking for a review of the registration procedures at DMV. That letter is made a part of these minutes.

Albert requested that Gary Teague and Elmer Lint be informed by letter of charges and complaints made against them during this meeting, and that they be informed of the Board meeting on 24 November 1992 - the purpose of which is to inquire into happenings at these registrar's respective precincts on election day 3 November 1992.

Bill informed that the voting tabulator at Precinct #15 (Ridgeview) was quite some way off the floor and that a normal height person would have had difficulty putting his ballot in same. Bill said he inquired of the registrar about this and was told that this had always been so and that the tabulator was placed that high to keep "the kids from messing with it". Albert stated that he had never seen the tabulator at Ridgeview in any high place but that kids did sometimes come and go in that precinct and that efforts there - in the past - to remedy the kid situation had been ignored. The supervisor was instructed to write the Ridgeview registrar about the situation.

The purpose and main business of today was to canvass the results of the November 3, 1992 General Election. It was decided to check the corrections made by the Staff from one set of returns, against the set of returns addressed to the Board Members. The final corrections from the returns will be made on the computer and the computer print-out will be fasten to the abstract and signed by each board members.

The returns addressed to the Board Members were opened by the board members and checked against the corrected computer print-out done by the staff from the audit done on Wednesday. A challenged ballot of Deborah C. Chafin was allowed because she was listed on the precinct book of Monogram #21 and over-looked by precinct officials. Each candidate was checked in this particular precinct.

At the completion of checking the computer print-out plus some of precinct #20, DAVID ABERNETHY MOVED TO CERTIFY THE RESULTS OF THE GENERAL ELECTION HELD ON NOVEMBER 3, 1992. THIS MOTION WAS SECONDED BY ALBERT YOUNT AND UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

THE OFFICIAL RESULTS OF THE CANVASS STANDS AS FOLLOWS WITH ABSENTEE VOTES, INCLUDING PR AND OV: (1978 absentees, 2 PR and 2 OV).

FOR PRESIDENT		VOTES	FOR UNITED STATES SENATOR		VOTES
Clinton/Gore	(D)	16,334	Terry Sanford	(D)	16,754
Bush/Quayle	(R)	25,466	Lauch Faircloth	(R)	29,831
Marrou/Lord	(L)	86	Bobby Yates Emory	(L)	2,607
Perot/Stockdale	(U)	7,523	Write In		-0-
Write-in		-0-			

FOR MEMBER OF CONGRESS VOTES

Ben Neill (D) 15,814
 T Cass Ballenger (R) 31,470
 Jeffrey Clayton Brown (L) 1,584

FOR GOVERNOR

James B. Hunt (D) 20,760
 Jim Gardner (R) 26,121
 Scott McLaughlin (L) 2,457

FOR LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

Dennis A. Wicker (D) 21,186
 Art Pope (R) 25,159
 Jeanette G Small (L) 2,090

FOR SECRETARY OF STATE

Rufus L. Edmisten (D) 18,955
 John H. Carrington (R) 27,761
 H. R. Parker, Jr (L) 1,639

FOR STATE AUDITOR

Ralph Campbell (D) 18,635
 J. Vernon Abernethy (R) 27,870

FOR STATE TREASURER

Harlan E. Boyles (D) 17,542
 Betsy Young Justus (R) 28,386
 Ron Holland (L) 1,588

FOR SUPT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

Bob Etheridge (D) 19,203
 Teena S. Little (R) 26,372
 Anna Lyon (L) 1,737

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL

Mike Easley (D) 25,071
 Joe Dean (R) 21,801
 Lawrence Berry (L) 1,308

FOR COMM. OF AGRICULTURE

James A. Graham (D) 22,087
 Leo Tew (R) 23,469
 Bob McQuigg (L) 1,603

FOR COMM. OF LABOR

Harry E. Payne, Jr (D) 19,103
 Nelson Dollar (R) 26,143
 F. Craig Springer (L) 1,706

FOR COMM. OF INSURANCE VOTES

Jim Long (D) 19,768
 Mike Causey (R) 25,919
 Kenneth Wayne Day (L) 1,806

FOR ASSOC. JUSTICE SUPREME COURT

Sarah Parker (D) 19,932
 I. Beverly Lake, Jr (R) 27,944

FOR ASSOC. JUSTICE SUPREME COURT

Henry E. Frye (D) 22,148

FOR ASSOC. JUSTICE SUPREME COURT

Burley B. Mitchell, Jr (D) 21,720

FOR JUDGE OF COURT OF APPEALS

Anthony M. Brannon (D) 17,793
 Robert F. Orr (R) 28,978

FOR JUDGE OF COURT OF APPEALS
 (unexpired term ending 12/31/98)

Joseph R John Sr (D) 17,981
 Ralph A. Walker (R) 28,541

FOR JUDGE OF COURT OF APPEALS

John C. Martin (D) 18,269
 Ronald E. Bogle (R) 28,780

FOR JUDGE OF COURT OF APPEALS

Gerald Arnold (D) 21,421

FOR JUDGE OF COURT OF APPEALS

Jack Cozort (D) 21,417

FOR JUDGE OF COURT OF APPEALS

John B. Lewis, Jr (D) 21,218

FOR JUDGE OF COURT OF APPEALS

James A. Wynn, Jr (D) 21,161

FOR JUDGE SUPERIOR COURT
 Dist. 1 (unpired tem 12/31/94)

J. Richard Parker (D) 18,328
 Steven D. Michael (R) 27,488

District 10-B

Henry V. Barnette, Jr (D) 19,224
 Robert L. Farmer (D) 19,826
 Howard E. Manning, Jr (R) 28,259

District 3-A

Wilton Russell Duke, Jr (D) 20,433
 David E. Reid, Jr (D) 20,998

FOR SUPERIOR COURT JUDGES VOTES

District 4-B
James R. Strickland (D) 21,518

District 8-B
Paul M. Wright (D) 21,328

District 19-A
James C. Davis (D) 21,298

District 20-A
F. Fetzer Mills (D) 20,871
James M. Webb (D) 21,595

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
Regular Term

Fred Fulbright (D) 19,953
Evans Propst (D) 18,649
Robert E. Hibbitts (R) 28,159
Gretchen Peed (R) 27,389

FOR REGISTER OF DEEDS

Ruth Mackie (R) 35,462

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER

(unexpired term 12/5/94)

Vivienne P. Stafford (D) 21,960
Marie H. Huffman (R) 26,013

25th DISTRICT COURT JUDGE

Nancy Einstein (R) 33,821

SOIL & WATER DISTRICT SUPERVISOR

James E. Reinhardt, III 14,166
Write ins
(33 with actual names written in)

FOR STATE SENATE (26th)

Jerry W. Willard (R) 20,142
Austin M. Allran (R) 28,451

FOR STATE HOUSE, 43rd District

C. Robert Brawley (R) 5,432

FOR STATE HOUSE 45th District

Ray Hoyle (D) 8,140
J. Ed Robinette (D) 8,583
Cherie Killian Berry (R) 13,577
Charles R Preston (R) 12,309

FOR STATE HOUSE 46th Dist. VOTES

David T. Flaherty, Jr (R) 9,137
Gregg Thompson (R) 8,732

FOR STATE HOUSE, 91st Dist.

Marjorie O. Strawn (D) 1,356
George S. Robinson (R) 2,215

CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
NON-PARTISAN)
(unexpired term 12/5/94)

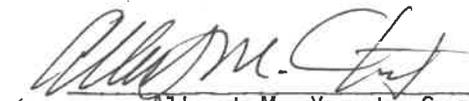
Beth Lutz Bowman 14,690
Randy Ewing 9,609
write -in 1

Regular term:

Harold R. Biggerstaff 14,210
Betty C. Blackburn 14,478
Thelma Ramseur 11,703
Jack D. Sigmon 11,953
Grace C. Vaught 9,512
Charlie C. Wyant 13,378
write - in 6

Total eligible to vote was 68,345
voted 50,357 or 74%

There being no further business,
Bill moved to adjourn. This was
unanimous. David Abernethy remained
to dictate a letter to Mr. Elmer Lint,
Mr. Gary Teague and to Mr. Alex Brock,
State Board of Elections.


Albert M. Yount, Secretary

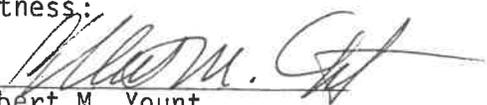
Monday, November 09, 1992 10:30 A.M.

STATEMENT BY THE CHAIRMAN:

Mr. David Abernethy stated that it was in evidence that a Mr. J. B. Stearns from Conover came in at the Canvass and gave the Board a handwritten letter which was in the Boards opinion a complaint against the Registrar in his precinct, Mr. Elmer Lint, who is present. Mr. Abernethy also stated that it contained language that could have been read to have been an election protest about approximately 150 ballots in the multi-seat commissioners race, not being handed out. He said to remove any possibility that the multi-seat commissioner race election could be questioned in that regard, he had called a meeting with notice to all Board members for 10:30 a.m. today (11/9/92) to dispose of the matter. Mr. Stearns had called Mr. Abernethy's home and left word with his wife that he did not want to pursue any election protest but he did want to proceed with a hearing as to Mr. Lint. Mr. Yount did not get the machine message that the meeting had been cancelled until 9:30 a.m. and stated that was the reason the Democrat candidates for County Commissioner were present and the Republicans he called were not. Mr. Abernethy requested the record to show that he as chairman found that any question about an election contest had been withdrawn.

David Abernethy, Chairman

Witness:


Albert M. Yount

Monday November 16, 1992 9:00 A. M.

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections met on Monday, November 16, 1992 at 9:00 A M in the meeting room of the Catawba County Government Center. Members present were David Abernethy, Bill Hasty and Albert Yount.

The purpose of this meeting was to hold a recount in the Court of Appeals race between Anthony M. Brannon and Robert F. (Bob) Orr as mandated by the State Board of Elections. The recount began at 9:A.M. Assistants were Jean Barringer, Joy Lynn Beatty, Rita Busbee, Deborah M. Coley, Elizabeth Connor, K. C. Hartment, Sherry Isenhower, Evelyn Jarrett, Margaret Lawing, Nancy Pannell, Peggy C. Sigmon, Rhonda Tatum, Carolyn Huffman, Wanda Mode, deputy supervisors and the supervisor. Bill Rudisill also assisted. Wilma Cline kept the office. All of the State Judicial Ballot was counted. The outstacks were counted by the board members. The end result was:

JUDGE OF COURT OF APPEALS	VOTES
Anthony M. Brannon	17,841 votes up 48
Robert F. (Bob) Orr	27,867 votes up 82

At the conclusion the said ballots were put back in the precinct box from where they were taken. These boxes were resealed. The returns were signed by each board member and abstracts filled out and signed by each board member. The original abstract was sent immediately to the State Board of Elections.

The board members taped the machine tape to the two (2) returns. The supervisor and deputy supervisor ran the tapes and reset the machines for each precinct.



Albert M. Yount, Secretary

Tuesday, November 24, 1992 8:15 A M

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

The Catawba County Board of Elections met November 24, 1992 at 8:15 a.m. in the conference room in the Catawba County Government Center. Members present were David Abernethy, Bill Hasty and Albert Yount.

David Abernethy moved to approve the minutes of November 5, 1992 and of November 16, 1992; also his statement of November 9, 1992, to be made a part of the Boards record. This was seconded by Albert Yount and unanimously approved.

The purpose of this meeting was for consideration of a complaint filed against Mr. Elmer Lint, Registrar of Conover West #7 precinct by Mr. J. B. Stearns. Mr. Abernethy stated "the rule of the State Board", they could consider affidavits. That there were 3 contentions: Mr. Lint was in attendance with Peggy Smith, the Democrat Judge and Robert Nichols, a Republican Assistant. Each were sworn for their testimony. Each were heard.

The Board found in Mr. Lint's favor as to complaint of closing polls too early and making partisan comments to a voter, but found that 149 voters had not been issued a multi-seat commissioner ballot. Bill Hasty made the motion to retain the registrar and cautioned them to be more careful, that the over-sight of not giving all the ballots was a serious over-sight, but an attempt was made to call the persons back and correct the over-sight. This motion was seconded by David Abernethy and unanimously approved.

Next item of business was the letter sent to Mr. Gary Teague, Registrar of Sandy Ridge #30 precinct. Mr. Teague was present along with the Democrat Judge, Willa Dean Adcock of his precinct. Mr. Teague had presented a resignation of his position effective November 30, 1992. David Abernethy made motion to accept the resignation of Gary Teague. This motion was seconded by Bill Hasty. The vote was 2 ayes. Mr. Yount did not vote.

The Board had received a copy of a letter of complaint sent the Registrar of Startown #34 precinct from a Mr. Kenneth Bisette. The nature of the complaint was questioning his residency. It was discussed. David Abernethy made motion to send a letter of inquiry to Kathy Johnson, the Registrar with copy to Mr. Bisette. This motion was seconded by Albert Yount and unanimously approved.

This Board had been advised that the Monogram Community Clubhouse was going to be sold and we should look for another polling place. David Abernethy advised the other Board Members of a letter being sent to the Secretary of Olivet Baptist Church about the possibility of using their fellowship hall for future elections. The other two members agreed to sending the letter.

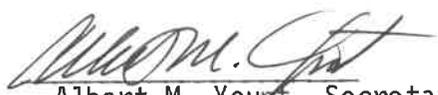
The chairman, Mr. Abernethy, had been advised by the Registrar of Mtn. View 2 #24 precinct that the Mtn. Grove Baptist Church would like for us to move our polling place from the Family Life Building. David Abernethy made motion that a letter be sent to Mtn Grove Baptist Church thanking them for allowing us to use their facilities and advise them of information received from the Registrar. They will be asked if they wish us to move and would they respond to us of their wishes by December 15, otherwise we will be having a county bond referendum in late March in their Family Life Building. The supervisor was authorized to check out the Mtn. View Elementary School as a possible polling place for Mtn. View 2 #24 precinct (if the move is to be made).

David Abernethy had drafted a survey that was sent to each registrar. It was hoped to be a tool for planning. Each member is to receive a copy of each and will review at the next meeting scheduled by the chairman in January, 1993. Mr. Abernethy requested the supervisor to send a follow-up letter if not all received by end of November 1992.

Albert Yount moved to go into Executive Session to discuss a county wide expenditure. This was seconded by David Abernethy. The topic was decided "it was not an executive matter", no action taken and David Abernethy moved to go back into public session.

In other discussion, the supervisor was requested to check several machines for their accuracy when the ballot boxes can be opened after the 11/3/92 General Election (two months).

There being no further business, Bill Hasty moved to adjourn. Albert Yount seconded and it was unanimous.


Albert M. Yount, Secretary

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