

MINUTES OF  
CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS  
JULY 21, 2020

Board Chair Barry Cheney called the meeting to order. Everyone was in attendance, with David Abernethy attending by telephone. The Board unanimously approved the minutes from the July 13, 2020 meeting. Director Amanda Duncan requested the Board to approve an application of funds to purchase a DS450 High Speed Scanner. This would be using HAVA funds. Member David Hood moved to authorize Duncan to proceed with the application for funds to purchase the item at the approximate cost of \$53,695. This motion passed unanimously.

The Board then considered a proposed resolution to waive a sixth early voting site for the fall 2020 election. Pursuant to a recent Emergency Order, County Boards are required to have one site per 20,000 registered voters unless the Board approves a waiver. Since Catawba County has five sites and approximately 103,000 registered voters, a waiver would be needed to avoid locating a sixth site. Because the ratio is already very close to 1 per 20,000 voters, and because five sites seem to be adequate for the needs of Catawba County, the Board unanimously approved a resolution drafted to request a waiver of the requirement.

With no other items of business, Board Chair Cheney adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'David W. Hood', is written over the text 'Respectfully submitted,'.

David W. Hood, Acting Secretary