

# BOARD OF ELECTIONS

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## MEETING MINUTES Tuesday, October 3, 2023

The October 3, 2023 meeting of the Houston County Board of Elections was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Chairman Henry Childs.

Members of the Board Present: Henry Childs, Chairman  
Pamela Morgan  
Sherman Falana  
Katherine Shelton

Member(s) of the Board Absent: Andrew Bennett

Member(s) of the Staff Present: Debra Presswood, Registration/Election Supervisor

Visitor(s): Norman Woodward, Meg Mehserle

Chairman Henry Childs called for the approval of the October 3, 2023 agenda. A motion was made by Sherman Falana and seconded by Pamela Morgan to approve the October 3, 2023 agenda. The motion carried.

Chairman Henry Childs called for the approval of the September 5, 2023 meeting minutes. A motion was made by Katherine Shelton and seconded by Pamela Morgan to approve the September 5, 2023 meeting minutes. The motion carried.

### REGISTRATION/ELECTION SUPERVISOR REPORT:

Secretary of State generated the Cross State National Change of Address Notices. Notices were mailed September 28, 2023. Houston County mailed 2,390 notices:

- NCOA Out of County (923)
- NCOA Out of State (1,463)
- NCOA International (4)

Normally, the provisional ballot validation and absentee ballot cure deadline fall three days after the election. Due to Veteran's Day holiday (Friday, November 10, 2023) the deadlines are moved by law to Monday, November 13, 2023. The deadline to certify the Election is Tuesday, November 14, 2023 at 5:00 p.m.

Board Members were given the following reports:

- October 3, 2023 Agenda
- September 5, 2023 Meeting Minutes
- Registration Numbers as of October 2, 2023

**Old Business:**

Henry Childs, Katherine Shelton, and Debra Presswood met with VFW Warner Robins Memorial (Post 6605) staff on September 21, 2023. The voting area was confirmed ADA compliance, security, spacious area, and electrical compliance. The VFW Staff will be on call during the use of the building.

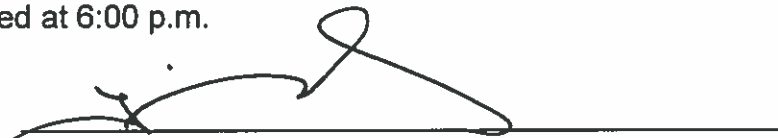
Chairman Childs called for a motion to proceed with the moving of voters from Houston County Career and Technical Center to Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW), Post 6605. A motion was made by Katherine Shelton and seconded by Sherman Falana to move voters to VFW (Post 6605) polling location effective 2024. The motion carried.

**New Business:**

Voters that registered with missing street addresses were entered into the election system as challenged voters. If a mailing address is recorded on registration application, letters are mailed to voters notifying them that a physical street address is required. The office staff try to notify voters by phone or email if information is available. We need a standard of how long to hold information before rejecting. The board tabled until next meeting.

Election Day and regular Board Meeting Day is November 7, 2023. Chairman Childs called for a motion to change regular meeting date. A motion was made by Katherine Shelton and seconded by Pamela Morgan to change the regular meeting date to November 14, 2023 in conjunction with Election Certification at 3:00. The motion carried.

There being no further business, motion to adjourn by Pamela Morgan, seconded by Sherman Falana. The meeting was adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

  
Henry Childs, Chairman  
November 14, 2023

  
Debra Presswood, Secretary

This meeting was conducted in accordance with the Georgia Meeting Provisions of Title 50, Chapter 14 of Georgia Code.