## PRINCE EDWARD COUNTY ELECTORAL BOARD

P.O. Box J Farmville, Virginia 23901

## **February 6, 2024**

**DATE:** Tuesday, February 6, 2024

**PURPOSE:** Electoral Board Business Meeting-Special Election

PRESENT:

Members: Michele Schumacher, Chair, David Stockment, Vice-Chair and Secretary Gwendolyn Akers-

Booker. General Registrar Lynette Wright along with Caitlin Childers, Deputy Registrar.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**: There were no visitors in attendance.

The February Business Meeting was called to order by Michele Schumacher, Vice-Chairman at 2:30 pm. A warm Welcome to the New Board member was extended by all and reorganization of the Board took place with the members as follows: Michele Schumacher, Chairman, David Stockment, Vice-Chairman and Secretary Gwendolyn Akers-Booker. Upon the passing of our previous Chairman, Charles R. Puckett, it was agreed by all that a Resolution would be placed in the minutes. The Resolution reads as follows:

## **Charles Douglas Puckett**

## In Memory Of

WHEREAS, Mr. Charles Douglas Puckett was appointed and served on the Electoral Board of Prince Edward County from March 2018 through January 17, 2024, including terms as Chairman of the Electoral Board; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Puckett encapsulated the qualities of leadership, integrity, honesty, strength and optimism; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Puckett worked tirelessly on behalf of all citizens of Prince Edward County to ensure that all elections within Prince Edward County were conducted fairly; and

WHEREAS, the Electoral Board of Prince Edward County will deeply miss his guidance and wisdom;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, on this 6<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2024, that the members of the Prince Edwrd County Electoral Board hereby posthumously recognize and salute Charles Douglas Puckett as a person to emulate, and extend to his family, our sincere gratitude for the time and energy that he spent on behalf of the citizens and the county of Prince Edward; and furthermore

BE IT RESOLVED that this resolution be preserved in perpetuity in the permanent business records of the Prince Edward County Electoral Board.

Upon review of the Resolution, A motion was made by Michele Schumacher, Chairman and Seconded by David Stockment and was agreed upon unanimously by all. The Resolution was signed by all board members and will be hand delivered by members of the board.

Next, Lynette Wright, General Registrar shared with information regarding the County Budget meeting and also informed us that all information regarding the Special Election was handled in a short turnaround time frame and we were able to make the transition in a timely manner. Lynette also informed us that we have a new person onboard working with us and this helps to make the workload much lighter. Poll workers have all been sent letters and have been appointed. Training for all workers will be held on Thursday, February 22,2024 at 10:00 am and we look forward to working with the workers during our upcoming March 5, 2024, Presidential Primary Elections.

Monthly Meetings were the topic of discussion. It was the agreement of the Electoral Board Members that we would meet monthly and since we had to meet the first week of February as required by State Law, we would not be meeting on February 15,2024. As a reminder Early Voting will continue until Saturday, March 2,2024 and individuals may cast their ballots at the Early Vote Room Floor 2, at the Court House until this date. After March 2,2024, individuals may vote on Election Day which is Tuesday, March 5, 2024, 6A.M.-7P.M.

With no further business to attend a motion made by Michele Schumacher and Seconded by Gwendolyn Akers-Booker to adjourned was agreed upon and the meeting was adjourned at 3:30 pm.

Gwendolyn S. Akers-Booker

Gwendolyn S. Akers-Booker Electoral Board Secretary