

BOARD OF ELECTIONS MEETING
November 19, 2020

Attended: Mike Kaplan, chair, Henry Ficklin, Rinda Wilson, Herb Spangler
absent: Cassandra Powell

Old Business:

1. High speed letter opener has been requisitioned, but order hasn't gone through yet.
2. Bibb Co. still has only 2 Absentee drop boxes in place—at Board of Election office and in front of Bibb Co Courthouse. Third drop box has been received but not installed as staff have been too busy with other election duties. The public library in south Bibb Co. is preferred site as it already has cameras, or the Recreation Center in south Bibb.

Other Business:

1. Online Absentee Ballot Application Portal is live and can be accessed at: <https://ballotrequest.sos.ga.gov>. It will automatically be submitted to the board of elections office electronically.
2. Early Voting begins Monday, December 14, 2020 at
 - a. Board of Election main office
 - b. Elaine Lucas Senior Center
 - c. Theron Ussery Rec. Center
3. State began mailing absentee ballots November 18, 2020 / other note said counties will mail absentee ballots for Jan 5th Runoff Election
4. Bibb Co. has Active—108,445 Inactive—7,418 (if vote will become active again)
Total—115,863
5. Absentee ballots—If voter has asked to be on elderly/disabled list , absentee ballot will be mailed for Jan. 5, 2020 election. Otherwise will need to apply for absentee ballot for Jan. 5 election
6. There was considerable discussion of hazard pay for poll workers due to COVID and raises for Board of Election employees.

Public Comments

- One poll manager
1. thanked the Board for providing police standby after polls closed until all finished and escorted them to Board of Elections to turns in everything.
 2. said there was too much to unload at end of poll closing & needed help at Board of Election
 3. she had the wrong code to open machines & had to call for tech support

submitted: Carolyn Hargrove, observer