Craig County Electoral Board 155 Main Street New Castle, VA 24127 October 14, 2020 Minutes

Meeting via Zoom convened at 6:31 p.m.

Present: Elaine Christian, Chair; Martha Murphy, Vice Chair; Susan Creasap, Secretary;

Mildred Bostic, General Registrar

Meeting called to order by Elaine Christian, Chair at 6:31 pm.

Review of Budget and Grant Applications: Craig County has been awarded \$4062.30 by the USC Schwarzenegger Institute for the purpose of recruiting and retaining poll workers and to purchase 9 "VOTE HERE" signs.

Discussion and review of communication from Craig County Republican Committee Chair, Jordan Labiosa concerning an oversight that neglected to invite him to the L&A Testing of one voting machine. The Electoral Board supports the general registrar and understands there was no deliberate attempt to exclude either party from representation. It should be noted that for the past 5 years both parties were invited to observe the L&A Testing but chose not to attend. L&A Testing of all other voting machines will take place Sunday, October 18 at 11 am. Martha Murphy and Mildred Bostic will attend. Once the machines are certified and locked, for security reasons, no access to the machines will be permitted.

Precinct cleaning will be conducted by ServPro of Roanoke. (Approved)

Updates from Mildred Bostic: Officer of Election training will take place beginning Saturday, October 17. Training will be done in small groups according to CDC guidelines due to the Covid-19 pandemic. The registrar's office is being staffed by additional officers of election; she will sign up for Jira ticket and Screen Writing voting tool for the visually impaired as mandated by ELECT; sturdy new voting booths were ordered at a cost of \$5,260 to be paid for with COVID \$ and should arrive in 10 days;

The CANVASS for this general election will take place on November 4 and will continue on November 6 with a possible additional day on November 10 at the Grace Baptist Church in New Castle.

Martha submitted an application to CTCL for funding for voting equipment and precinct cleaning due to the COVID pandemic.

Applications for the assistant general registrar were discussed. Craig County has 3878 active registered voters.

Meeting adjourned at 7:51 pm. Susan Creasap, Secretary