MINUTES 11:30 a.m.
Board Meeting
Board of Voter Registration and Elections of Spartanburg County
December 10, 2020

I. Welcome, call to order and Pledge of Allegiance Chair Byerly called the meeting to order and welcomed all in attendance. Thompson led in the Pledge of Allegiance. Board present: Byerly, Watson, Broyles, Church, Thompson Board Absent: Johnson due to death of brother Staff present: Laye Guest: Michael Thompson

II. Old Business - None

a. Review of minutes of Nov 6 meeting. There being no corrections, the minutes were approved without objection

III. Public Participation Mr. Charles Mann was present via phone. He advised that others had been on the line as the published agenda had the wrong starting time. Laye acknowledged that was his error and apologized.

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IV. New business

V. Prep for Jan 19 Primary for County Council District 6: candidates and precincts Laye gave each Board member a list of the candidates by Party noting that there are 5 Republican candidates and 1 Democratic candidate. It is predicted that there will be a runoff on Feb 2 as it will be difficult for one of the 5 to receive a majority. As the Democratic candidate is unopposed there will be no Democratic option on the Jan 19 primary. Laye reminded all that word of this needs to be spread among the candidate. In the past, voters have not understood the purpose of a primary and not finding a candidate of their party to vote for leads some to think their right to vote is being denied. Not so. Voters need to understand that the SC open primary allows them to vote for a candidate

Rosemary H. Byerly - Chair
Dorothy A. Broyles - Secretary
Cynthia W. Church

F. Don Watson, - Vice Chair
Wilhelmenia Johnson
William E. Thompson, Jr.
in the other party if they so desire. The unopposed candidate will be on the March 23 special election ballot.

VI. Adjourn There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Next meeting January 21, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. which will be the Provisional Ballot Hearing and certification and the board meeting.

Henry M Laye, III
Director