

# BOARD OF ELECTIONS

**Linda J. Sutton**  
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**Michael Flatow**  
Secretary

**Jonathan S. Dills**  
Member



**Robert H. Coffman**  
Director of Elections

**Lamar Joyner**  
Deputy Director

## FORSYTH COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS BOARD MEETING MINUTES – MARCH 15, 2012

### Call to Order

A meeting of the Forsyth County Board of Elections was held in the Board of Equalization and Review Room on March 15, 2012. The meeting was held for the hearing for the Challenge to Candidacies of Ed Hanes, Jr. and S. Wayne Patterson. The meeting convened at 1:30 PM, Chairman Linda Sutton presiding.

Board Members in attendance: Chairman Linda Sutton, Secretary Michael Flatow, Member Jonathan Dills

Board Members not in attendance: none

Staff Members in attendance: Director Robert Coffman, Deputy Director Lamar Joyner, Chris Duffey

Others in attendance: Assistant County Attorney Kevin McGuckin, CaseWorks, Inc. court reporter

### Hearing

Chairman Sutton called the meeting to order for the hearing for the Challenge to the Candidacies of Ed Hanes, Jr. and S. Wayne Patterson. Jimmie L. Bonham, the challenger, had alleged that both candidates were ineligible to run for NC House- District 72 by challenging their current domicile. A complete recording of the hearing was made by a court reporter from CaseWorks, Inc. Board members spent a large part of the meeting questioning Ed Hanes, Jr., who submitted evidence that he lives with his family at 3920 Pomeroy Drive, Winston-Salem, NC. Secretary Flatow moved and Chairman Sutton seconded a motion to allow Ed Hanes, Jr. to continue his candidacy. Member Dills dissented. Motion carried.

Secretary Flatow moved and Member Dills seconded a motion to recess the meeting at 5:30 PM. Motion Carried. Member Dills moved and Secretary Flatow seconded a motion to reconvene the meeting at 6:10 PM. Motion carried.

Board members proceeded to question S. Wayne Patterson, who submitted evidence that he lives at 4554 Renigar Street, Winston-Salem, NC the majority of the time. Member Dills moved and Secretary Flatow seconded a motion to allow S. Wayne Patterson to continue his candidacy. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Bonham stated that he will appeal the ruling regarding the Hanes' case to the State Board of Elections.

### Adjournment

Chairman Sutton moved and Secretary Flatow seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 PM. The next meeting of the Forsyth County Board of Elections will be held in the Cooper Cardwell Elections Room on March 27, 2012 at 5:30 PM.

Approved:

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Linda J. Sutton, Chair

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Michael Flatow, Secretary

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Date

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Jonathan S. Dills, Member

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**Attachments on File:** The Challenge to Candidacies of Ed Hanes, Jr. and S. Wayne Patterson;  
Ed Hanes, Jr. documents; S. Wayne Patterson documents