## Brunswick Board of Elections December 18, 2017 Meeting 2:00 p.m. in Bolivia, NC

**Public Comments:** Gail Bromley mentioned our LWVLCF event on Redistricting Reform on January 18, 2018. Beth Kirschner and Gail were the only two observers.

**Director's Report:** Once again, the Board of Elections is trying to get more poll workers for election coverage. They are going to both political parties asking for more workers and they are reaching out to unaffiliated voters as well. They asked us to spread the word about the need.

**Leland Voting Locations:** The Brunswick Board of Elections received a letter from the Town of Leland stating that the Leland Cultural Arts Center would no longer be available for Early Voting. In addition, they will not be making the Town Hall available for Election Day Voting. No reasons for this withdrawal of cooperation with the Board of Elections were offered in the letter. Sara Knotts will speak at the Town Council meeting on Thursday, December 21, asking that the town reconsider.

Gail Bromley offered to speak on behalf of the Board if given permission to do so by the League leadership. That was granted and Gail intends to support the Board of Elections request for the Town of Leland to reconsider. Any removal of the LCAC from the mix makes it unlikely that an alternative site in North Brunswick can be found, thus hampering the ability of voters to participate as Early Voters. This is of concern.

**2018 Proposed Calendar:** the calendar for meetings by the Board of Elections was distributed and approved, providing for adjustments as needed during the year. Sara keeps a list of interested parties to contact if a revision is needed.

**Precinct Officials:** A somewhat confusing a contentious discussion ensued about how officials are selected and replaced in an emergency situation. Sara will explore some of the issues that relate to notification of party officials, etc.

League Observers: Gail Bromley and Beth Kirschner