Buncombe County Board of Elections
Meeting Minutes
Thursday, September 4, 2025

Opening

A meeting of the Buncombe County Board of Elections was called to order at 3:02pm on September 4, 2025, at 59 Woodfin Place, Asheville, NC 28801.

Attendance

Board Members	Election Services Staff
Glenda Weinert, Board Chair (in-person) Mary Ann Braine, Secretary (in-person) Courtney Blossman, Member (in-person) Sally Stein, Member (in-person) Jake Quinn, Member (in-person) 2 virtual guests 8 in-person guests	Corinne Duncan, Director (in-person) Neggy Fox, Deputy Director (in-person) Anna Katherine Moore, Clerk to the Board (in-person) Devin Whitney, Tech Specialist (in-person) Victoria Pickens, Finance (in person) Karen Rae, Recruiting & Outreach (in-person) Ryan Oliver, Tech Specialist (in-person) Buncombe County Staff: Tim Love, Robert Brown, Mike Mace

Welcome Visitors

- Chair Weinert welcomed in-person visitors.

Item One: Interview Legal Counsel

- Member Quinn made a motion to go into a closed session for the purposes of interviewing legal counsel. Member Stein seconded the motion. The motion passed with five in favor and zero against.
- The Board went into closed session at 3:04pm and re-opened the session at 3:44pm.
- Member Blossman moved that the Board engage the law firm of Allen, Stahl, and Kilbourne as legal counsel for the Board of Elections. Member Quinn seconded. The motion passed with five in favor and zero against.

Item Two: Approval of Agenda

- Member Quinn moved to approve the agenda for this meeting. The motion carried with five in favor and zero against.

Item Three: Minutes

- Member Quinn moved to approve the minutes for the meeting of August 5, 2025. Member Stein seconded. The motion passed with five in favor and zero against.
- Member Quinn moved to approve the minutes for the meeting of August 19, 2025. Secretary Braine seconded. The motion passed with five in favor and zero against.

Item Four: Appointment of Municipal Early Voting Poll Workers

- Staff Member Rae presented the list of proposed appointments for Early Voting poll workers for the 2025 municipal election.
- Member Stein moved to approve the poll workers as presented. Member Blossman seconded. The motion passed with five in favor and zero against.

Item Five: Office Updates

Director Duncan gave office updates including the following:

- Buncombe County Election Services has an article in the most recent edition of the Journal of Election Administration, Research & Practice.
- Deputy Director Fox was recognized by the County for her Strategy and Innovation Project.
- An update on the hiring process for the two open positions.
- An update on the Board room at 35 Woodfin Street.
- Ballot proofing for the Municipal Election is complete.
- Staff Member Moore put Singing in the Rain on for all to enjoy.
- Staff Member Oliver gave an update on the ADA surveys of the Election Day polling locations and potential changes in polling locations.

Item Six: Warehouse Relocation Discussion

- Director Duncan gave an overview of the history of Election Services facilities.
- Assistant County Manager Love gave an introduction.
- County Staff Member Brown presented an advanced planning warehouse facility update. The Board asked questions.

Item Seven: Present Municipal Billing

- Director Duncan presented on municipal billing.
- The Board discussed.

Item Eight: Voter Challenges Hearing

- Director Duncan gave an overview of how voter challenge hearings work.
- Director Duncan read out the qualifications to vote.
- Chair Weinert gave the challenger the oath. He spoke to how he came to challenge these ten voters.
- Chair Weinert gave Director Duncan the oath. Director Duncan shared what Elections Services staff found in their research into these individuals.
- Chair Weinert called out the names of each of the ten individuals being challenged and asked if they or any of their representatives were present. None were present.
- The Board reviewed the materials submitted by the challenger and asked questions to the challenger and Director Duncan.
- Secretary Braine made a motion to sustain all ten of the voter challenges and remove the voters. Member Blossman seconded. The motion carried with five in favor and zero against.

Item Nine: Next Meeting Date

- The next Board of Elections meeting is Wednesday, September 24, 2025, at 3:30pm at 59 Woodfin Pl, Asheville, NC 28801.

Member Quinn made a motion to close the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 6:14pm.

Minutes submitted by:

Anna Katherine Moore, Clerk

Approval date: _____

Minutes approved by:

Glenda Weinert, Chair

Mary Ann Braine 9/24/25

Mary Ann Braine, Secretary

Courtney Blossman 9-24-25

Courtney Blossman, Member

Sally Stein 9/24/25

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Jake Quinn, Member