Buncombe County Board of Elections
Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, November 4, 2025

Opening

A meeting of the Buncombe County Board of Elections was called to order at 5:00 pm on Tuesday, November 4, 2025, at 35 Woodfin Street, 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) 5 virtual guests 2 in-person guests	Corinne Duncan, Director (in-person) Neggy Fox, Deputy Director (in-person) Gabrielle Corey, Staff (in-person) Bria Bailey, Staff (in-person) Devin Whitney, Staff (in-person) Buncombe County Staff: Angelica Tyler, CAPE (in-person)

Welcome Visitors

- Chair Weinert welcomed in-person attendees and recognized the virtual attendees.

Item One: Approval of Agenda

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

Item Two: Minutes

- Member Blossman motioned to move the minutes to a future meeting. The motion carried with five in favor and zero against.

Item Three: Office Updates

Director Duncan gave office updates including the following:

- It's Election Day! As of 4:00pm, there were 1,242 voters.
- The absentee ballot return deadline is today at 7:30pm, please bring in-person to 35 Woodfin St.
- The schedule for today was reviewed.

Item Four: Absentee Ballot Review

- Deputy Director Fox presented one civilian (CIV) absentee ballot for the Board's review.
- The Board reviewed the ballot.
- Deputy Director Fox confirmed there are now 30 total absentee ballots received to date.

- Chair Weinert called for a motion to approve the absentee ballot as presented. Member Quinn moved to approve the absentee ballot as reviewed. Member Blossman seconded. The Board approved with a vote of five in favor and zero against.

The meeting was recessed at 5:14 pm and reconvened at 7:30 pm.

Item Five: Absentee Ballot Review (if needed)

- There were no absentee ballots to review.

Item Six: Preliminary Early Voting Results

- The Board with assistance from Staff Member Whitney at 7:30pm closed the Early Voting polls for the sites at 50 Coxe and the Weaverville Community Center.
- The Board signed the tapes for the two Early Voting locations by 7:48 pm.
- Chair Weinert called for a motion to accept the preliminary early voting results. Member Blossman so moved, Secretary Braine seconded. The motion carried with five in favor and zero against.
- Staff Member Whitney published the results to the State Board of Elections to appear on the results page of the website.

Item Seven: Preliminary Absentee Results

- Staff Member Bailey invited the Board to close the absentee-by-mail polling.
- Staff Member Bailey prepared the absentee by mail abstracts.
- Director Duncan explained the process of reading in the absentee-by-mail results and how the reports and handwritten abstracts are created.
- Staff Member Bailey presented three copies of the absentee-by-mail abstracts with results. The Board reviewed and compared the preliminary results and the abstract.
- The Board signed the absentee abstracts in triplicate. The abstracts were notarized by Staff Member Bailey.
- Due to small election size, all results will be combined into Election Day to keep the secrecy of the ballots. Absentee results were uploaded first, then Early Voting, and then Election Day results. Staff Member Bailey will bring the results to the warehouse.
- Member Stein moved to accept the preliminary absentee voting results abstract that was reviewed. Secretary Braine seconded. The motion carried with five in favor and zero against.
- Staff Member Whitney published the absentee-by-mail results to the State Board of Elections to appear on the results page of the website.
- Chair Weinert motioned to recess the meeting and transition to 50 Coxe Ave.
- Member Quinn suggested the meeting adjourn at 50 Coxe Ave.

The meeting was recessed at 8:25pm.

Item Eight: Preliminary Election Day Results

Chair Weinert called the meeting to order at 50 Coxe Ave at 8:52pm.

- At 7:59pm, the first two flash drives from Election Day sites were delivered at 35 Woodfin St. The first chief judge arrived at 50 Coxe Ave at 8:10pm.

- The returned accounting journals were verified by Staff, then spot checked by the Board.
- The last Election Day precinct flash drive was delivered to 35 Woodfin St. at 8:58pm. The last chief judge arrived at 50 Coxe Ave at 9:07pm.
- There will not need to be a Photo ID Exception Form Review meeting tomorrow November 5 at 1:00pm as none were returned.
- Chair Weinert called for a motion to accept the preliminary results of Election Day. Member Quinn moved that the Board accept the preliminary results of the municipal election for Weaverville, Woodfin, and Woodfin water and sewer. Member Stein seconded. The motion carried with five in favor and zero against.

Item Nine: Next Meeting Date

The next Board of Elections meeting is Friday, November 7, 2025 at 1:00pm at 35 Woodfin Street, Asheville, NC 28801.

The Sample Audit is an open process that will be on Monday November 10, 2025 at 10:00am at 35 Woodfin St.

- Member Quinn moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried with five in favor and zero against.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:17pm.

Minutes approved by:

Glenda Weinert 11-13-25
Glenda Weinert, Chair

Mary Ann Braine 11/13/25
Mary Ann Braine, Secretary

Courtney Blossman 11/13/25
Courtney Blossman, Member

Sally Stein 11/13/25
Sally Stein, Member

Jake Quinn 11/13/25
Jake Quinn, Member

Minutes submitted by:

Gabrielle Corey, Clerk

Approval date: 11/13/2025