Buncombe County Board of Elections
Meeting Minutes
Monday, November 3, 2025

Opening

A meeting of the Buncombe County Board of Elections was called to order at 5:30 pm on Monday, November 3, 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 guest 6 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), virtual

Welcome Visitors

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

Item One: Approval of Agenda

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

Item Two: Minutes

- The minutes of October 28, 2025 were approved by acclamation.

Item Three: Office Updates

Director Duncan gave office updates including the following:

- Election Day is tomorrow, November 4, 2025.
- The County is doing a food drive and Election Services is collecting food donations if anyone would like to bring food items.
- Twenty-five voter challenges on the basis that the voter is deceased have been received. Director Duncan proposed the challenge preliminary hearing be on December 9, 2025.
- State Board of Elections (SBOE) recently circulated a resolution regarding Early Voting plan submittal and emergency assistant appointments (workers held in reserve in case of vacancies on Election Day). There are now several sections in G.S. 163 about Election Day vacancies, Early Voting vacancies, and emergency assistants. Director Duncan suggested a comprehensive resolution be drafted to outline the procedure for all of those. Election Services will draft and send to the Board for review.

- Absentee names may be read aloud during Absentee Board meetings, per Numbered Memo 2020-25, page 4. G.S. 163-233(b) states they are public record. Voter confidentiality law and public record must be abided. Both can be achieved by reading the names at the end before final approval. The Board discussed.
- There were 951 early voters.
- Poll workers have received all their supplies. Media availability was this afternoon and WLOS attended. Poll workers should finish setting up the sites by 7:30pm tonight and will open at 6:30am tomorrow.
- Election Day Schedule was reviewed. The Board is required to be in attendance or reachable all day.
- Chair Weinert received a general questionnaire from the liaison to the State Auditor's office that was completed with Director Duncan's assistance and was submitted.

Item Four: Absentee Ballot Review

- Deputy Director Fox reported 21 CIV ballots and eight OVR ballots total, including the ballots for tonight. There have been zero MIL ballots. Total absentee ballots received to date are 29 and the full list was presented to the Board. A total list of executed absentee ballots (so far) will be sent to the State Board, one list for OVR and one list for CIV.
- Deputy Director Fox presented two civilian (CIV) absentee ballots and four overseas (OVR) absentee ballots (for a total of six) for the Board's review.
- The Board reviewed the ballots.
- Chair Weinert read the 29 total names of the absentee ballots reviewed to date.
- Chair Weinert called for a motion to approve the absentee ballots as presented. Member Stein moved to approve the ballots as presented. Member Quinn seconded. The Board approved with a vote of five in favor and zero against.

Item Five: Certified List of Approved Absentees

- Deputy Director Fox presented the lists of zero MIL and eight OVR approved absentee ballots, and 21 CIV approved absentee ballots for a total of 29 absentee by mail approvals. The Board signed the list.
- Deputy Director Fox administered the military/overseas UOCAVA oath to Chair Weinert. Chair Weinert signed, in triplicate, the oath for the certified list of all executed military and civilian UOCAVA ballots. Deputy Director Fox notarized the oath.
- Deputy Director Fox administered the civilian oath to Chair Weinert. Chair Weinert signed, in triplicate, the oath for the certified list of all civilian ballots. Deputy Director Fox notarized the oath.
- Deputy Director Fox advised the lists and oaths will be uploaded to the State Board for their records.

Item Six: Next Meeting Date

The next Board of Elections meeting is Tuesday, November 4, 2025, at 5:00 pm at 35 Woodfin Street, Asheville, NC 28801.

- Member Quinn made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Member Blossman seconded. The motion carried with five in favor and zero against.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:23 pm.

Minutes submitted by:

Gabrielle Corey, Clerk

Approval date: 11/13/2025

Minutes approved by:

Glenda Weinert, Chair 11-13-25

Mary Ann Braine, Secretary 11/13/25

Courtney Blossman, Member 11/13/25

Sally Stein, Member 11/13/25

Jake Quinn, Member 11/13/25