

Goochland County Electoral Board
Minutes February 5, 2024

The Goochland County Electoral Board was called to order at 6.00pm. Present: Chair Pamela Johnson, Vice Chair Bob Walker, Secretary Wanda Taylor, Director of Elections /General Registrar Ryan Mulligan.

Citizen Comments: There were none.

On a motion by the Vice Chair, seconded by the Secretary, the minutes of January 8, 2024, meetings were approved as printed with correction.

Report of the Director of Elections/General Registrar:

1. *Registration Counts: The Director of Elections/General Registrar* submitted the latest voter registration counts. There are 21,892 active voters in the county. The board reviewed the registration count by locality.
2. *Primary In-Person Absentee voting to date:* The Director of Elections/General Registrar stated that the total vote to date is 186. The board reviewed the active voter count and the “Not Marked” count for the Democratic and the Republican primaries. 595 ballots issued are still outstanding.
3. *Update concerning additional polling places:*
 - a. The Director of Elections/General Registrar stated that he has been in conversation with Avery Point, and they are willing to establish a precinct which will be 403 for Centerville. He has talked to Tara, and the next step is to present to the Board of Supervisors.
 - b. The new precinct will have 1266 voters from Avery Point, Retreat at West Creek and 2000 West Creek.
 - c. The next biggest precinct approaching 3000 active voters is 502-Blair with 2558 active voters.
4. *LESS Review* – The Director of Elections/General Registrar shared that he has a meeting scheduled with IT and the vendor Assurance on Monday 2/12/2024 for penetration testing review. Report is due March 1st and any remediation will be due April 1st.

Unfinished Business:

- *Additional L&A testing:* The Vice Chair will work with the Director of Elections/General Registrar to secure a date.
- *Other:* none

New Business:

On a motion by Vice Chair seconded by the Secretary the board went into close session at 6:45pm pursuant to State Code Section §2.2-115 for discussion, consideration, or interviews of prospective candidate for employment, assignment, appointment, promotion, performance, demotion, salaries, disciplining, or resignation of specific public officers, appointees, or employees of a public body. Discussion on consideration by the State Board of Elections or local electoral boards of personnel matters made confidential pursuant to §24.2-625.1.

The Electoral Board return to open session at 7:12pm. On a motion by the Chair and seconded by the Secretary to certify that only public business matters lawfully exempt from open meeting requirements by Virginia Law, and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion convening the closed session were heard, discussed, or considered.

On a motion by the Vice Chair seconded by the Secretary, the Electoral Board agreed to the appointment all the names on the Republican list except for A, B, C, D, E &F. The Electoral board also agreed to accept the names on the Democratic list and instructed the Director of Elections/General Registrar to list the name with Party designation as “U” until he receives the list from the Democratic chair. The motion passed. Letters of service will be sent to the individuals not appointed.

Officer reports:

- Chair – no report
- Vice Chair – no report
- Secretary:
 - Attended and facilitated during the EB boot camp in Milford, VA February 3, 2024. 52 Electoral Board Members attended.

- Stated that she her conversation during the boot camp of the possible that the State will be replacing the DS200.

There being no further business, on a motion by the Chair and seconded by the Vice Chair the board voted unanimously to adjourned at 7:28pm.

Respectfully Submitted

Wanda Taylor

Wanda Taylor, Secretary