

Goochland County Electoral Board
Minutes May 12, 2025

The Goochland County Electoral Board was called to order at 10:06am. Present: Chair Bob Walker, Vice Chair Pam Johnson, Secretary Wanda Taylor, Director of Elections /General Registrar Ryan Mulligan and Goochland resident Valerie Morris.

Citizen Comments: No comment

Approval of Minutes: The board approved the April 14, 2025, meeting minutes with corrections on a motion by the Secretary and seconded by the Vice Chair. The motion carried.

Report of the Director of Elections/General Registrar:

1. *Registration Counts:* The Director of Elections/General Registrar stated that:
 - a. The Director of Elections/General Registrar reviewed absentee ballots issued, not marked, marked on and ballots cast on the machine for the June Democratic Primary with the board.
 - b. The Vice Chair stated that she had submitted the online form to Hope Church for the use as a precinct and has not heard back. The board asked the Director of Elections/General Registrar to use his contact.
 - c. The board also discussed contacting Tuckahoe Pines as an alternate voting location if needed.
2. *Appointment of Officers of Elections:* closed session after Officer Reports
3. *Other: Equipment* – The Director of Elections/General Registrar informed the board of the plan to acquire and update six machines. The board agreed with his plan.

Unfinished Business:

1. *June Primary Update/Issues:* The Director of Elections/General Registrar stated that the office is dealing with confusion with the Democratic Primary. He has put a sign on the door to address the issue.

2. **Boot Camp Registration: ELECT Annual Training and a VEBA Boot Camp will take place on July 30, 2025**, at the Omni Richmond Hotel at 100 S 12th St, Richmond, VA 23219. This will include a joint Annual Training session with GRs and EBs from 9am-11am
 - a. VEBA Boot Camp for EBs only will begin at 11am (same location).
 - b. Registration for this meeting is through the VEBA website vebanew.org

New Business:

3. *Annual Performance Evaluation:* The board agreed to perform the annual review via close session during the July 18th meeting.
4. *Other:* The board agreed to split the precinct reviews for the ADA inspection. The Vice Chair encouraged the board to look at curbs and checking the door handles.
 - a. *Chair:* will review precincts 301, 302, 401 & 402
 - b. *Vice Chair:* will review precincts 101, 102, 201 & 202
 - c. *Secretary:* will review precincts 403, 501 & 502

Officer reports:

- Secretary: Asked if HB1735 changes to the close of books to 10 days would affect anything. The Director of Elections/General Registrar said it would affect provisional.
- Vice Chair: no report
- Chair: no report
- On a motion by the Secretary seconded by the Vice Chair the board went into close session at 11:11am pursuant to State Code Section §2.2-3711(A)(1) 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 Board returned to Public Session at 11:17am, a motion was made by the Vice 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.

- The Vice Chair moved to approve applicant 1 as an officer of elections pending chief approval and found fit to perform the election duties and responsibilities. Seconded by the Secretary, the motion carried.

There being no further business, on a motion by the Chair and seconded by the Secretary the board voted unanimously to adjourned at 11:19am.

Respectfully Submitted

Wanda Taylor

Wanda Taylor, Secretary