

Goochland County Electoral Board
Minutes July 14, 2025

The Goochland County Electoral Board was called to order at 10:13am. Present: Chair Bob Walker, Vice Chair Pam Johnson, Secretary Wanda Taylor, Director of Elections /General Registrar Ryan Mulligan. Also, present were Jennifer Strozier and Amaya Taylor-Nkrumah.

Citizen Comments: There were none

Approval of Minutes: The board approved the May 12th, June 18th and June 21st, meeting minutes on a motion by the Vice Chair and seconded by the Secretary. The motion carried.

Report of the Director of Elections/General Registrar:

1. *Registration Counts:* The Director of Elections/General Registrar stated that:
 - a. Federal mandated clean up or voter role will affect the Inactive count.
 - b. After discussion it was agreed that the Vice Chair and Secretary will contact Salem as a precinct 404 and St. James as precinct 503.
 - c. The Director of Elections/General Registrar stated that he investigated the code and ordinance for creating a new precinct location and the new precincts must be in place for the 2028 November election.
2. *Appointment of Officers of Elections:* closed session after Officer Reports
3. *Legislation update:* There was discussion concerning the legislative changes to the registration records closing days from 21 days to 10 days, per code §24.2-416. It was also identified that the change would require new provisional envelopes.
4. *Update on Deputy Registrar Position* – The Director of Elections/General Registrar stated that:
 - a. An offer was made to two individuals who both declined.
 - b. The position has been reposted.
 - c. Also announced the changes for Deputy Registrar training pursuant to §24.2-114

Unfinished Business:

1. The Vice Chair will add 202 – Sandy Hook alternate polling location in your ADA report.

New Business:

1. *Election Equipment:* The Director of Elections/General Registrar will follow-up with the board on the purchase of six new machines and the update to the existing ten machines.

Officer reports:

- Secretary – The bootcamp will be video and available through Elect so that anyone unable to attend can still view and obtain credit.
- Vice Chair – The Vice Chair thanked the Secretary for looking into registration deadlines.
- Chair: Confirmed that the Northern District Meeting will be at Hanover taverns.
- On a motion by the Secretary seconded by the Vice Chair the board went into close session at 10:59am 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 11:18am, 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.

Vice Chair made a motion to consider “No” for the Officer of Elections applicants, seconded by the Secretary, the motion carried.

The Director of Elections/General Registrar was instructed to include notification to Officers of Elections that were not accepted as accepted.

There being no further business, on a motion by the Chair and seconded by the Secretary the board voted unanimously to adjourned at 11:28am.

Respectfully Submitted

Wanda Taylor

Wanda Taylor, Secretary