DAVIDSON COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

Tuesday, November 3, 2026

The Davidson County Board of Elections met on Tuesday, November 3, 2026 at 2:00 p.m. in the Board of Elections office located at 945 N. Main Street, Suite A, Lexington, North Carolina 27292.

Chairman Freeman called the meeting to order at 2:07 p.m. with the following members present: Jason Cheek, Richard Johnson, and Dan Francis. Director Andrew Richards, Deputy Director Olivia Phillips, and Assistant County Attorney Ryan Hargrave were present. There was 1 visitor.

Director Andrew Richards presented the board with an Emergency Election Day Judge for the November 3, 2026 General Election. Mr. Francis made a motion to approve the Emergency Judge placement and it was seconded by Mr. Johnson and unanimously approved.

Mr. Johnson made a motion to Close the Polls on Early Voting tabulators. It was seconded by Mr. Francis and unanimously approved.

Deputy Director Olivia Phillips presented the board with 65 Civilian absentee ballots recommended for approval. After review, Mr. Freeman made a motion to approve the 65 ballots. It was seconded by Mr. Francis and unanimously approved.

Ms. Phillips presented the board with 22 Civilian absentee ballots that used the Photo ID Exception form recommended for approval. After review, Mr. Freeman made a motion to accept the 22 ballots. It was seconded by Mr. Francis and unanimously approved.

Ms. Phillips presented the board with 8 Overseas Ballot Return Packets recommended for approval. After review, Mr. Francis made a motion to accept the 8 ballots. It was seconded by Mr. Cheek and unanimously approved.

Ms. Phillips presented the board with 5 Military Ballot Return Packets recommended for approval. After review, Mr. Francis made a motion to accept the 5 ballots. It was seconded by Mr. Cheek and unanimously approved.

Ms. Phillips presented the board with 3 Civilian Absentee ballots recommended for rejection due to not meeting North Carolina statutory requirements. After review, Mr. Freeman made a motion to reject the 3 ballots. It was seconded by Mr. Francis and unanimously approved

Once the ballots were tabulated, Mr. Freeman made a motion to approve the cumulative tabulation of absentee ballots at 1459. It was seconded by Mr. Francis and unanimously approved.

Mr. Freeman made a motion to recess to 6:30 p.m. at 3:29 p.m. It was seconded by Mr. Johnson and unanimously approved.

Mr. Freeman made a motion to return to open meeting at 6:30 p.m. with the following members present: Secretary Belinda Clark, Jason Cheek, Richard Johnson, and Dan Francis. It was seconded by Mr. Johnson and unanimously approved.

Ms. Phillips presented the board with 16 Civilian absentee ballots recommended for approval. After review, Ms. Clark made a motion to accept he 16 ballots. It was seconded by Mr. Cheek and unanimously approved.

Ms. Phillips presented the board with 3 Civilian absentee ballots that used the Photo ID Exception form recommended for approval. Mr. Johnson made a motion to accept the 3 ballots. It was seconded by Ms. Clark and unanimously approved.

Ms. Phillips presented the board with 3 Overseas Ballot Return Packets recommended for approval. After review, Ms. Clark made a motion to accept the 3 ballots. It was seconded by Mr. Johnson and unanimously approved.

Ms. Phillips presented the board with 3 Military Ballot Return Packets recommended for approval. After review, Mr. Freeman made a motion to accept the 3 ballots. It was seconded by Mr. Cheek and unanimously approved.

Ms. Phillips presented the Board with 1 Military Ballot Return Packet recommended for rejection due to not meeting North Carolina statutory requirements. After review, Mr. Johnson made a motion to reject the 1 ballot. It was seconded by Ms. Clark and unanimously approved.

Once the ballots were tabulated, Mr. Freeman made a motion to approve the cumulative tabulation of absentee ballots at 1484. It was seconded by Mr. Francis and unanimously approved.

Mr. Freeman made a motion to Close the Polls on the absentee tabulator. It was seconded by Mr. Francis and unanimously approved.

Mr. Johnson made a motion to adjourn at 10:00 p.m. It was seconded by Mr. Cheek and unanimously approved.

Respectfully Submitted,

Belinda Clark Belinda Clark, Secretary

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