

## DAVIDSON COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

Monday, March 2, 2026

The Davidson County Board of Elections met on Monday, March 2, 2026 at 6:00 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 6:00 p.m. with the following members present: Secretary Belinda Clark, Richard Johnson, Jason Cheek, and Dan Francis. Director Andrew Richards, Deputy Director Adam Moore, Elections Administrative Manager Olivia Phillips, and Assistant County Attorney Ryan Hargrave were present. There were no visitors.

Director Andrew Richards presented the board with a list of Poll Observers submitted by the Davidson County Democratic Party and the Davidson County Republican Party for Election Day. After review, Mr. Johnson made a motion to approve the Davidson County Democratic Party Poll Observers list as presented. It was seconded by Mr. Francis and unanimously approved. Mr. Cheek made a motion to approve the Davidson County Republican Party Poll Observers list as presented. It was seconded by Mr. Johnson and unanimously approved.

Director Andrew Richards presented the board with an Emergency Judge Appointment for Precinct 86 – Abbotts Creek #1. After review, Mr. Johnson made a motion to approve the Emergency Judge Appointment. It was seconded by Mr. Francis and unanimously approved.

Director Andrew Richards provided a final Early Voting update with the final numbers for each early voting site.

Director Andrew Richards presented a proposed polling place change for the November 2026 General Election at Precinct 48 – Reeds/Yadkin College. After review, Mr. Johnson made a motion to move the polling location from the Reeds Fire Department to the Reeds Elementary School for the November 2026 General Election. It was seconded by Mr. Cheek and unanimously approved.

Director Andrew Richards presented a proposed polling place change for the November 2026 General Election at Precinct 58 - Southmont. After review, Mr. Cheek made a motion to move the polling location from the Southmont Fire Department to the Southmont Elementary School for the November 2026 General Election. It was seconded by Mr. Francis and unanimously approved.

Election Administrative Manager Phillips presented the board with 72 Civilian Absentee ballots recommended for approval. After review, Mr. Francis made a motion to accept the 72 Civilian Absentee ballots. It was seconded by Mr. Johnson and unanimously approved.

Ms. Phillips presented the board with 15 Civilian Absentee ballots with the Photo ID Exception form recommended for approval. After review, Mr. Johnson made a motion to accept the 15 ballots. It was seconded by Mr. Francis and unanimously approved.

Ms. Phillips presented the board with 2 Overseas Ballot Return Packets recommended for approval. After review, Mr. Francis made a motion to approve the 2 Overseas Ballot Return Packets. It was seconded by Mr. Cheek and unanimously approved.

Ms. Phillips presented the board with 2 Civilian Absentee ballots recommended for rejection due to witness deficiencies. After review, Mr. Johnson made a motion to reject the 2 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 207. It was seconded by Mr. Francis and unanimously approved.

Mr. Johnson made a motion to adjourn 7:17 p.m. It was seconded by Mr. Francis and unanimously approved.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Belinda Clark* Belinda Clark, Secretary

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