

Standard Meeting

Members Present - Bill Thompson, Betsy Swift, Wes Hanemayer, Jay Pavey, Roy Osborn

Meeting called to order- Bill Thompson at 5:29 PM, Jay led Pledge of Allegiance

Public Comment. None.

Agenda was approved. Agenda for 03/03/2026 Jay moved to accept. Roy 2nd. Unanimous vote yes.

Minutes from BOE meeting on 3/02/2026 approved. Jay moved to accept. Betsy 2nd. Unanimous vote yes.

Directors Report. Amanda reviewed the below items.

- (1) Precinct activity increasing at steady rate
 - 18.8% of registered voters have voted as of 4:00 PM, this tracks as similar to 2022 Primary
- (2) One eastern NC county experienced poll problems, the SBE allowed this poll to close at 8:30 PM, Jackson County will still close at 7:30 PM
- (3) Withdrawal, attorney at SBE noted candidate desiring to withdraw must continue through election. Should the candidate win they will have to resign if they should win their primary, if they still wish to resign.
- (4) State Auditor's office has provided a notification of the intention to perform an audit pursuant to Chapter 147, Article 5A of the North Carolina General Statutes. The audit objective is to determine the cost of the 2025 odd year elections.
- (5) Absentee ballots requests, distribution, reception and processing continue. As of 03/03/2026 4:00PM:
 - 136 requested ballots have been mailed to qualified recipients
 - 4 new ballots have been received prior to 03/03/2026 4:00 PM and confirmed as qualified

Review and casting of Absentee ballots.

Board reviewed and cast ballots. The motion was to approve the processed ballots. Roy 1st, Jay 2nd, Unanimous vote yes.

- 3 Domestic Civilian

Board reviewed and cast ballots. The motion was to approve the processed ballot. Roy 1st, Jay 2nd, Unanimous vote yes.

- 1 Overseas Civilian

94 total Absentee Ballots have been cast.

Motion to Recess. At 5:49 PM Bill 1st Jay 2nd Unanimous Yes

Motion to return from Recess. At 7:15 Bill 1st Betsy 2nd Unanimous Yes

Review and casting of Absentee ballots. Ballot received at 7:10 PM and confirmed as qualified.


Board reviewed and cast ballot. The motion was to approve the processed ballot. Wes 1st, Betsy 2nd, Unanimous vote yes.

- 1 Overseas Civilian

95 total Absentee ballots have been cast.

Motion to adjourn. Roy motioned at 7:54 PM to adjourn, Jay 2nd. Unanimous vote yes


Secretary
Wes Hanemayer


Chairman
Bill Thompson