

**Buncombe County Board of Elections
Asheville/Buncombe County Board of Elections**

Monitor Names: Elaine Elam, George Elam, Cheryl Willilams

Date & Time: March 13, 2026, 11:00 AM

Names of Board Members Attending:

Glenda Weinert, Chairman (R), Jake Quinn, Board Member (D), Mary Ann Braine, Secretary (R), Sally Stein, Board Member (D), Courtney Blossman (R)

Names of Buncombe Co Staff Attending:

Corinne Duncan, Director; Gabrielle Corey, Elections Administrative Coordinator; Neggy Fox, Assistant Director; Aaron Bell, Absentee Coordinator; Bria Bailey, Elections Technical Specialist; Devin Whitney, Election Technical Specialist, Nathaniel Speier, Candidate Coordinator

Location of Meeting: 35 Woodfin Street, Asheville NC

Observers: 2 LWV, 1 Common Cause, 2 Democrats, 2 unknown

I. Approval of Agenda – approved by acclimation

II. Minutes (G.S. § 143-318.10) Deferred

III. Office Updates (Corinne Duncan)

- Ms, Duncan went over the flow of the meeting.
- The meeting starting time of 11 am. Is according to statute.
- Devin will explain the reasons for changes in results and the manual audit, then we will go over the audits for each voting type.
- Aaron will present the absentee audit.
- Devin will present the early voting audit.
- Nate will present the provisional audit.
- Bria will present the Election Day audit and summary.
- Then there will be a recess to print out the reports and Bria will present the abstract and cover sheets.
- When the Board is satisfied with the material, we'll certify the election and sign an abstract. Ms. Duncan will notarize.

- Then Gabriel will mail an abstract to the NCSBOE, send one copy to the courthouse, one copy to the city of Asheville, and keep one copy.
- Nate will have the certificate of nomination ready for the Chair to sign. Due in 6 days.
- Bria will finalize voter history.
- There are two deadlines coming up: one, for an election protest at 5 pm Tuesday; and the other, requesting a recount Monday.
- Neither are expected.

IV. • Challenge Hearings (if applicable) (G.S. § 163-89€)
There were no challenges.

V. Presentation of Audit (G.S. § 163.182.5) – Devin Whitney and Aaron Bell

- Devin explained the manual audit. Data sheets were passed to Board with the action taken.
- He went over the three challenges presented at the previous meeting.
- Dr. Weinert called out the name of the first challenger. No answer. Board voted to sustain the challenge 5-0
- 2 nd challenge same outcome. Board voted to sustain.
- 3rd challenge same outcome. Board voted to sustain.
- Devin said that voters had taken ballots without voting. 2 on the 25th, 1 on the 27th, and 1 on the 28th.
- Aaron went over the final absentee audit.
- The final total was 831 out of 1609 ballots handed out.
- That came to 88% for civilian, 1% for military, and 11% for overseas.
- Devin presented the log for Early Voting. It was broken down by site and daily totals.
- There were 30,772 in total. Matched the voting history with no discrepancies.

VI. Presentation of Reports & Certification of Election (G.S. § 163-182, G.S. § 163-182.5) – Nathaniel Speier, Bria Bailey

- Next Nate went over the provisionals with a screenpresentation.
- 151 approved, 24 partially approved. 120 not approved.
- Next Bria went over the combined results. All results matched voter history with no discrepancies. She said this was rare.

- Election Day totals 23,267
- Early Voting totals 30,772
- Provisional totals 175
- Absentee totals 831.
- Ms. Stein said that 25.85% of registered voters voted.
- Mr Quinn said Biltmore Forest had highest pct turnout 31.1
- The Board were invited to review all tapes and folders.
- Dr. Weinert called for a recess for staff to print all abstracts.
- Bria presented the final printed abstracts. 3 copies.
- They were printed by contest, precinct, lock style canvass, and manual edit.
- All were uploaded to the State Board, Clerk of the court, and municipalities.
- Ms. Blossman asked about the Asheville city council electon.
- Ms. Duncan said Asheville was different. There are no runoffs - the top six candidates win.
- Dr. Weinert asked for a motion to accept the abstracts as presented by staff. The Board voted to approve 5-0.
- Board members signed all copies. Ms. Duncan notarized the copies

VII. Next meeting Tuesday, April 14 at 5:30 pm at 35 Woodfin St.

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MARCH 3, 2026 - PRIMARY ELECTION

BUNCOMBE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS
PRESENTED ON MARCH 13, 2026
PROVISIONAL APPLICATIONS

In making a recommendation to the Buncombe County Board of Elections, Election Services staff made every effort to thoroughly research each provisional application. The following resources were utilized:

- The voter's provisional voting application
- The county's voter registration database (active, inactive, removed and denied voters)
- Pending registration applications, including applications in the incomplete, review and archive queue
- The non-public access to statewide voter registration information (intranet site)
- DMV provisional research results (DMV Research list as well as SBOE results)

Alright, good morning.

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