

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

**Monitor Names:** George Elam, Meg Ward-Sims

**Date & Time:** March 4, 2026, 1:00 PM

**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; Neggy Fox, Assistant Director; Gabrielle Corey, Elections Administrative Coordinator; Nathaniel Speier, Candidate Coordinator; Amy Broughton, County Attorney

**Location of Meeting:** 35 Woodfin Street, Asheville NC

**Observers:** 2 LWV in person, 1 Common Cause, 2 Dems

**I. Approval of Agenda** – approved by acclamation

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

**III. Office Updates (Corinne Duncan)**

- The election went faster than expected and there were very few issues.
- The next meeting is at 1 pm Friday for any voter challenges, supplemental abstract, and provisional ballots. There are 300 to process.
- The Sample audit will be on Monday 10am. The SBOE will sample 2 random polling places.
- Lake Silver ( State Auditors office) stopped by election services. He left a card but Ms. Duncan didn't speak to him.
- She got an email from the Auditors office wanting financial data for our municipal elections with a deadline the same day as canvass. She said that would be impossible. Dr. Weinert a suggested the Board respond for Ms. Duncan, asking for an extension from two weeks after canvass. Motion passed 5-0.
- Soon after, another email came to Ms. Duncan granting the extension.

• **Photo ID Exception Form Review – Nate Speier**

- Nate presented the Board with 8 provisional ballots with the exemption forms inside the ballot.
- Board opened them and removed the exemption form.
- Nate then resealed the ballots for counting with all provisionals.

- There were a total of 24 approved exemption forms. Board voted to approve those 5-0.
- Nate explained three exemption forms that will be disapproved and another provisional ballot disapproved by the Board so the staff could notify the voter to provide ID before noon on the 6<sup>th</sup>.

**IV. Next Meeting Date**  
**Friday, March 6, 1:00 pm at 35 Woodfin St.**