

NELSON COUNTY ELECTORAL BOARD

Meeting Minutes

January 23, 2026

I. Call to order

Jackie Harris, Director of Elections called to order the Regular meeting of the Nelson County Electoral Board at 2:00 pm on January 23, 2026 at the Office of the Registrar.

II. Roll call

Secretary Greene conducted a roll call. Present: William Smith, re-appointed Board member; Mary Reinman, newly appointed Board member; Susan Greene, Secretary; Jackie Harris, Director of Elections and Rachael Snapp, Chief Deputy Registrar.

III. Reorganization of Electoral Board

Susan Greene moved to nominate William Smith for the position of Chair of the Electoral Board. Mary Reinman seconded the motion, and it was approved by the Board. Chair Smith moved to nominate Susan Greene for the position of Secretary of the Electoral Board. Mary Reinman seconded the motion, and it was approved by the Board. Secretary Greene moved to nominate Mary Reinman for the position of Vice Chair of the Electoral Board. William Smith seconded the motion, and it was approved by the Board.

IV. Recognition of Any Visitors

There were no visitors at the meeting.

V. Report of Electoral Board members

Mary Reinman was welcomed to the Board, Jackie Harris was welcomed in her new role as Director of Elections/Chief Registrar and Rachael Snapp was welcomed in her new role as Chief Deputy Registrar.

VI. Report of the Registrar

Staffing

Deputy Registrars

- Rachael Snapp was promoted to Chief Deputy Registrar on 01/01/2026.
- The open position of Deputy Registrar was posted, and three panel interviews were conducted. A candidate has been selected with an anticipated early/mid-February start date.

Voting equipment Custodian/Technician

- If an election is scheduled for April, the next L&A testing of voting equipment will likely occur at the end of February. The Board was very satisfied with the prior Custodian's work and agreed to hire him if he is available.
- The Registrar's Office has contacted our voting equipment vendor regarding availability and pricing for potential vendor support (as designated Voting Equipment vendor) if needed.

2026 Calendar

- Potential April 21, 2026 Special Election for "redistricting" constitutional amendment (HB1384).
- June 16th Primary Election for US House and/or Senate, if not rescheduled.

- Potential August Primary for US House and/or Senate.
- November 3,2026 General and Special Election- House/Senate/Constitutional Amendments/County Bond Referendum(?)

Legislation

- Jackie is on the Legislative Committee of VRAV and reported that VRAV is tracking 102 pieces of Virginia legislation.
- State and Federal court cases could have an impact on our processes and procedures regarding restoration of voting rights and ballot receipt/postmark deadlines.

Budget

- Jackie presented the FY27 budget to the BoS on 01/13/2026.
- There is little change from the prior fiscal year regarding the baseline budget submission, but there is the potential for multiple special appropriation requests (both FY 26 and FY27) due to the possible scenario of multiple elections.

VII. Old Business

There was no old business to discuss.

VIII. New Business

Potential April 21,2026 Special Election

Confirmation regarding whether the April election will occur will likely come in the next week.

Training

- Timeline for training to be planned in the event of an April election.
- Jackie and Rachael are looking to standardize the training manuals for all Officers of Elections.

IX. Good of the Order

No other business was presented.

X. Adjourn

At 2:25 pm, Secretary Greene moved that the meeting be adjourned. Vice Chair Reinman seconded the motion and the meeting was adjourned. The Next meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 4 at 3:00 pm at the Office of the Registrar.