BOARD OF ELECTIONS

Zach Livsey, Chairperson Sharlene Alexander, Vice Chairperson Morris Kelly, Member



FAYETTE COUNTY, GEORGIA

Brieanna Garrett, Director Beverly Daniel, Registrar Margaret Johnson, Elections Supervisor

175 Johnson Ave., Suite B Fayetteville, GA 30214

APPROVED MEETING MINUTES

October 28, 2025 5:00 P.M.

Welcome to the meeting of your Fayette County Board of Elections. Your participation is appreciated. All regularly scheduled Board meetings are open to the public and are generally held on the 4th Tuesday of each month at 5:00 P.M.

- 1. CHAIRMAN TO CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER
- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- 3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:

Motion made by Board Member Kelly, seconded by Vice-Chair Alexander to accept the October 28, 2025 Agenda for the Regular Board meeting. Motion carried.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Speakers will be given a five (5) minute maximum time limit to speak before the Board of Elections about various topics, issues, and concerns. Speakers must direct comments to the Board. Responses are reserved at the direction of the Board.

No Public Comments.

5. OLD BUSINESS:

No Old Business.

6. APPROVAL OF THE SEPTEMBER 23, 2025 REGULAR CALLED MEETING MINUTES:

Motion made by Board Member Kelly, seconded by Vice-Chair Alexander to approve the September 23, 2025, Meeting Minutes. Motion carried.

8. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Emergency Relocation of Precinct #8 Morning Creek

Director Garrett explained that the Morning Creek polling location, previously situated at New Hope Baptist Church's northern campus, must be relocated since the facility has permanently closed.

She noted that the request to move the precinct was submitted within the appropriate timeframe for it to qualify as an emergency relocation.

Director Garrett stated that the Morning Creek precinct was temporarily consolidated with Precinct #28 Oak Ridge, allowing both precincts to operate under the same roof for the November 2025 Election.

She further advised that following the election, Morning Creek will need a permanent polling location. Therefore, during the January Board meeting, when polling place changes may be formally considered, a hearing will be held to finalize the new location once additional information is presented.

Attorney Stough confirmed that New Hope Baptist Church's northern campus was closing and transitioning all operations to its southern location.

Chairman Livsey confirmed that Precinct #28 Oak Ridge is currently located at Fayette Friendship Community Church.

Motion made by Board Member Kelly, seconded by Vice-Chair Alexander to approve the emergency relocation of Precinct #8 Morning Creek. Motion carried.

9. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

A. Public Hearing to Remove Registered Fayette County Voters from the Electors List (AS NEEDED)

Chairman Livsey reiterated that the Board has very limited authority in the voter removal process.

Director Garrett reported that as of October 24, 2025, a total of 249 voters had been removed from the voter rolls since the last Board meeting. Of these, 88 were cancelled due to being deceased, 35 as duplicate records, 121 for moving out of state, 2 for NGEs, and 3 at the voter's request.

10. DIRECTOR REPORT

Director Garrett reported that as of October 27, 2025, there are 98,319 registered voters in Fayette County.

Director Garrett reported that Fayette County's Logic and Accuracy Testing was still in progress and would continue until approximately the Saturday before Election Day. She further reported that 241 absentee-by-mail applications had been received, 235 absentee-by-mail ballots had been issued, and as of October 27, 2025, a total of 8,052 voters had cast ballots in Fayette County.

Director Garrett noted that Poll Worker Training had concluded and announced that the Risk-Limiting Audit for the election would take place on November 13 at 10:00 A.M. at the Fayette County Library.

She also stated that the Citizens Academy session went very well, with minimal questions from attendees. The event also provided an opportunity for several Elections Office staff members to present information directly to the public.

11. ATTORNEY'S REPORTS:

There was no attorney report.

12. BOARD MEMBERS' REPORTS:

Vice Chair Alexander asked for the Board to discuss creating a document called Board Policies and Procedures to accompany the Board's Bylaws for historical reference and clarity. Presently, O.C.G.A. 21-2-70 assigns the Board 15 duties yet over the years it appears that the Board has delegated some of these duties to Election Officials without those actions being recorded in the minutes going back to 2012.

She said this illustrates why, for future Board's and Election Officials to maintain clarity and consistency, there needs to be a summary of Board directives [beyond day-to-day operations] to the Election Officials readily available so that future Boards will not have to review 13+ years of Board Minutes. She also stated that Board members may delegate their responsibilities to others but not their authority.

Chair Livsey agreed that the Board could add this request for future discussion.

Attorney Stough explained that Vice-Chair Alexander's intent is for written resolutions to be created whenever the Board issues a directive. He stated that if the Board wishes to proceed with adopting formal resolutions for such matters, it is within the Board's prerogative to do so.

Chairman Livsey commended the Elections Office staff for their excellent work in training poll workers and securing backup workers as needed. He expressed confidence that the upcoming election will be conducted in a clean and efficient manner.

Chairman Livsey also extended his appreciation to the county's Chief Registrar, Beverly Daniel, recognizing her outstanding contributions as a registrar, as well as her dedication as a mother, wife, and individual.

He emphasized Daniel's vital role in the operation of the Elections Office and acknowledged that her efforts greatly contribute to making the Board's work easier.

13. EXECUTIVE SESSION: (as necessary for litigation & personnel)

14. ADJOURNMENT:

Motion made by Board Member Kelly to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 5:16 P.M.

Brieanna Garrett, Director

Zachary Livsey, Chairman

The foregoing minutes were duly approved at an official meeting of the Board of Elections of Fayette County Georgia, held on the 7th day of November 2025.