

Surry County Virginia Electoral Board Meeting Minutes/ Canvas April 22, 2026 10:00 A.M.

Director of Elections office 168 Commerce Street, Dendron VA

Present: Lynita Mason Chair, Ronald Howell, V. Chair, Cheryl Varner, Secretary, Director of Elections (DOE), Sharna' White as needed. 1. Member of the public Bob Chandler

Call to order 10:01 A.M, By Chair Lynita, - led Pledge, Moment of Silence

(note) meeting minutes from April 9th 2026 were not discussed or approved.

Call for closed session Cheryl made a motion to go into closed session under Va Code 2.2 3711-a to open provisional ballots to hand to the DOE and staff for research-Ronald Howell 2nd, Surry 101 5 provisional ballots, Bacons Castle 201 3 provisional ballots, Dendron 301 2 provisional ballots, Carsley 401, 2 provisional ballots, Claremont 501, 1 Provisional

Ronald Howell, AYE Cheryl Varner AYE Lynita Mason AYE

Open Session- I, Cheryl Varner move that the closed session just concluded that the only matters discussed were those described. 2.2-3712-D Cheryl Varner, AYE, Ronald Howell AYE, Lyntia Mason, AYE

Canvas Continued

Each precinct set of envelopes were opened and diligently checked for all necessary, signatures, paperwork etc. The board found all numbers matched those that the DOE reported on election night.

Note there was not lock tag on the Carsley machine and significant errors on paperwork of the Dendron Precinct. There were other errors on various paperwork which the board agreed and made corrections as necessary. It is worth noting that training particularly for chiefs and assistants seems very necessary. The board will discuss it with DOE at later time.

Incident reports were minor EXCEPT for mentioning of all polling locations concerning the placements of signs, covering tents placed by the republican party. Ronald Howell stated that he physically moved items in several locations. DOE Sharna' White denied moving any items.

Ronald made a motion that meeting be recessed until Monday April 27th Cheryl 2nd all in favor meeting recessed at 1:09 P.M.

Meeting reconvened at 10:04 AM. on April 27.

Call for closed session to review security matters with Mr. D. Brown. (LESS). Cheryl made motion for the closed session 2.2 3711. Ronald 2nd – Lynita AYE, Ronald AYE Cheryl AYE

Closed Session end 2.2 3712 Certification of closed session only public business as identified was discussed Lynita AYE, Ronald AYE, Cheryl AYE

Closed session for provisional review. Mr. Bob Chandler presented letter of authorization from the republican party chair to be present during the review of provisional ballots.

Cheryl made motion to enter into closed session 2.2 3711 to review provisional ballots. Ronald 2nd. Cheryl AYE, Lynita AYE, Ronald AYE

Closed Session Ended Cheryl made motion to go back to open session and called for certification by the EB board that the closed session was conducted appropriately under VA code 2.2. 3712 Ronald 2nd Roll Call Cheryl AYE, Ronald AYE, Lynita AYE 10:46 A.M.

Post Election canvas continued

Review of mail in

provisional ballots counted

final total for Surry County on referendum

NO 1,757

YES 1,663

Next meeting to be held on Monday May 4th, @10:00 A.M. for discussion/review of election.

Ronald made motion to adjourn meeting, Cheryl 2nd, All in favor

Meeting Adjourned at approximately 12:00

Note Secretary Cheryl delivered 4 large election boxes to the Clerk of the Court Tom Mayes at approximately 12:30.