

Dinwiddie County Electoral Board

14016 Boydton Plank Road, Dinwiddie, Virginia 23841

Board Members Present

Emma Ruffin – Chair
Angela Mayton – Vice-Chair
James Talbot – Secretary



Staff Present

Stephanie Wray, Registrar

Minutes

August 20, 2025

11:00 AM

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 11:00 AM. All were present; Ms. Mayton joined telephonically.

2. Prayer & Pledge of Allegiance

3. Approval of the Agenda - 11:03

Upon motion of J. Talbot, seconded by A. Mayton, the agenda was approved as presented.

Aye: Angela Mayton, James Talbot, Emma Ruffin.

No: None

4. Closed Session:

a. 2.2-3711 (A) (1) Personnel: Interview of Potential Officers of Election

At 11:04 AM, upon motion of J. Talbot, seconded by A. Mayton, the Board went into a closed session.

Aye: Angela Mayton, James Talbot, Emma Ruffin.

No: None

Upon motion of J. Talbot, seconded by A. Mayton, the Board came out of Closed Session at 11:46 AM.

Aye: Angela Mayton, James Talbot, Emma Ruffin.

No: None

Upon motion of J. Talbot, seconded by A. Mayton, whereas no member has made a statement that was a departure from the lawful purpose of the closed meeting or the matters identified in the motion discussed, be it certified that only those matters as were identified in the motion were heard, discussed, or considered in the closed meeting.

Aye: Angela Mayton, James Talbot, Emma Ruffin.

No: None

5. Approval of Minutes

Upon motion of J. Talbot, seconded by A. Mayton, the minutes for July 16, 2025, were approved as presented.

Aye: Angela Mayton, James Talbot, Emma Ruffin.

No: None

6. Reports

a. General Registrar

The General Registrar/Director of Elections provided a list of upcoming dates.

b. Board Members

J. Talbot provided a review of his experience at the ELECT Annual Meeting and VEBA Bootcamp. He also shared that he will be providing an update on Dinwiddie at the regional VEBA meeting in September.

7. Public Comment

Carolyn Worssam, Ford, VA – Ms. Worssam shared that she, as a part of the Virginia Fair Elections Coalition, provided a questionnaire to the General Registrar regarding costs associated with Early Voting and Absentee for the June 2025 Primary and the November 2024 General Election. She shared the purpose of the questionnaire is to compile information to present to a member of the General Assembly to support the reduction of Early Voting.

8. New Business:

a. Appointment of Officers of Election

Upon motion of J. Talbot, seconded by A. Mayton, R. Sandlin, C. Mitchell, L. Cortez, and W. Willis were appointed as Officers of Election for a term expiring February 28, 2028.

Aye: Angela Mayton, James Talbot, Emma Ruffin.

No: None

b. Ballot Review and Approval

The two ballot styles for the November 4, 2025, General Election were reviewed for accuracy and compliance.

Upon motion of J. Talbot, seconded by E. Ruffin, the ballots were approved as presented.

Aye: James Talbot, Emma Ruffin.

No: None

Abstain: Angela Mayton

c. Ballot Order Approval

The General Registrar presented an initial ballot order for approval.

Upon motion of J. Talbot, seconded by A. Mayton, the order for 11,875 was approved as presented.

Aye: Angela Mayton, James Talbot, Emma Ruffin.

No: None

9. Schedule Next Meeting

Upon Motion of J. Talbot, seconded by A. Mayton, the September 24th meeting will be rescheduled to September 17th.

Aye: Angela Mayton, James Talbot, Emma Ruffin.

No: None

10. Adjournment

Upon motion of J. Talbot, seconded by A. Mayton, the meeting was adjourned at 12:28 PM.

Aye: Angela Mayton, James Talbot, Emma Ruffin.

No: None

Submitted by,

James Talbot, Secretary