

**COBB COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS AND REGISTRATION
ELECTION NIGHT MEETING
APRIL 29, 2025
BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

995 Roswell Street
7:00 p.m.

Board Member Attendance

	Present	Absent
Tori M. Silas, Chairwoman	X	
Jennifer Mosbacher, Vice Chairwoman	X	
Stacy Efrat, Secretary	X	
Debbie Fisher, Assistant Secretary	X	
Steve Bruning	X	

Others Present:

Tate Fall, Director of Elections
Daniel White, Counsel for the Board of Elections
Bill Pinto, Counsel for the Board of Elections

CALL TO ORDER

Chairwoman Silas called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

Recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

No proposed revisions to the agenda.

Motion to approve the agenda as presented by Mr. Bruning. Second by Ms. Fisher. Passed 4-0. Ms. Mosbacher was not yet present when the vote occurred.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

No proposed revisions to the minutes. Chairwoman Silas noted she has non-substantive edits, which she will forward to Director Fall.

Motion to approve the April 14 meeting minutes subject to Scrivener's errors by Mr. Bruning. Second by Ms. Fisher. Passed 5-0

DIRECTOR'S UPDATE

1) Election Update

COUNTING GROUP	TOTAL VOTERS
Advance Voting + Absentee by Mail	6,380
Election Day	10,031

At the start of the meeting, poll pads were still syncing so final Election Day numbers are subject to change.

Director Fall reported an issue where poll pads did not display the correct address of the appropriate polling location when a voter appeared at the wrong precinct. The Elections Office received three consecutive calls regarding this issue. Knowink was notified, and the map feature was subsequently disabled. Knowink is working on a long-term resolution. All polling places had hard copies of the correct addresses available, and Area Supervisors instructed all Poll Managers to refer to the paper versions.

Chairwoman Silas inquired about quality assurance processes related to the poll pads. Director Fall explained that during Poll Pad Saturday, staff verify that voters appear in their assigned precincts, and out-of-precinct voters are flagged accordingly. This process ensures voters can only check in at their assigned precinct. Moving forward, staff will also verify the correct polling place addresses are displayed for out-of-precinct voters. If the issue is not resolved by the June 17 election, the map feature will remain disabled.

NEW BUSINESS

1) Polling Place Changes

Director Fall reported that 10 facilities within Commission Districts 1 and 3 have indicated they are no longer willing to serve as polling locations for Election Day. The current polling place proposal includes one permanent relocation and nine temporary co-locations. The co-location sites are temporary solutions pending a broader consolidation project currently underway. Director Fall shared the current proposed changes, which will be presented for a vote at the May 5 Board of Elections and Registration meeting.

Staff is working on a larger precinct consolidation project due to the close proximity of several existing precincts. The consolidation of precincts will help reduce costs to taxpayers and increase efficiency in election preparation.

It was noted that all polling location changes must be approved by the Board of Elections and Registration, while any precinct boundary adjustments require approval by the Board of Commissioners. Director Fall will present the proposed boundary changes to the Board of Commissioners in August. The Board of Elections and Registration will receive ongoing updates as the consolidation project progresses.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

No board member comments.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. White informed the board there were no significant litigation updates.

Motion to move to recess at 7:29 p.m. until results are complete by Mr. Bruning. Second by Ms. Fisher. Passed 5-0

Motion to come out of recess at 9:48 p.m. by Ms. Fisher. Second by Mr. Bruning. Passed 5-0

Next Meetings

May 2, 2025 @ 3:00p.m. – Pre-Certification Meeting

- Board Room – 995 Roswell St NE, Marietta

May 5, 2025 @ 3:00p.m. – Regular/Certification Meeting

- BOC Board Room – 100 Cherokee Street, Marietta

Adjournment

Chairwoman Silas adjourned the meeting at 9:51 p.m.



April 29, 2025 minutes prepared by:

Debbie VonFeldt, Administrative Assistant

April 29, 2025 minutes reviewed by:



Stacy Effat, Board Secretary