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AGENDA Harford County Board of Elections 133 Industry Lane, Forest Hill, MD 21050 February 26, 2025 5:00 p.m.

- Call to Order; Declaration of Quorum
- Welcome Members and Guests
- Approval of Minutes
 - o January 29, 2025, Meeting
 - o December 11, 2024, Closed Meeting
 - o January 29, 2025, Closed Meeting
- Request Additions or Changes to the Agenda
- Election Office Report
- Board Attorney's Report
- Old Business
 - O Discussion on the Biennial Conference
- New Business
- Confirmation of Next Meeting
- Members' Time
- Closed Session*
- Adjournment

NEXT MEETING: March 26, 2025

*Closed Meeting: Part of the meeting may be closed in accordance with Maryland's Open Meetings Act procedures.

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HARFORD COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS MINUTES January 29, 2025

PRESENT:

Board:	Staff:
Christina Bracknell, Board President	Stephanie Taylor, Director
Joseph Price, Member	Karen Perry, Deputy Director
Medford Campbell, Member	Barbara Salvatore, Staff
Brian K. Young, Esq., Board Counsel	Loralyn Sisler, Staff
	Stephen Feryus, Staff
	Amanda Beanblossom, Staff

QUORUM:

Ms. Bracknell called the meeting to order at 5:02 pm and determined there was a quorum with at least one member of the minority party being present. Marquita McMillan and James Richardson were absent from the meeting.

Dale Livingston, William Martino, and Steven McCurdy were present from the public.

Ms. Bracknell welcomed the members, staff, and guests.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The December 11, 2024, Regular Meeting minutes were presented. Ms. Bracknell asked for a motion to accept the minutes. Mr. Campbell made a motion to accept the minutes, and Mr. Price seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by those Board Members who were present for the December 11, 2024, Regular Meeting.

The December 11 2024, Closed Meeting minutes were tabled until next meeting due to member absences.

ADDITIONS OR CHANGES TO THE AGENDA:

There were no additions or changes to the agenda.

ELECTION OFFICE REPORT:

Ms. Taylor gave the Administration update.

Ms. Taylor added that we have started to meet with contractors for remodeling our kitchen due to water leaks, mold, outdated appliances, and cabinets.

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Ms. Taylor gave the Staff update.

Ms. Taylor gave the Election Operations update.

Ms. Taylor added that we are currently 2,500 voters away from needing a required 5th Early Voting site and has sent notice to the State Board of Elections.

Ms. Sisler gave the Election Judge update.

Ms. Sisler added how Jackie Ludwig produced a "grading system" for the judges based on their returned paperwork and supplies. This has been well received by the judges. Ms. Taylor added that the Judge Department is currently researching Election Judge Scheduling Software.

Mr. Feryus gave the Voter Registration update.

Ms. Perry gave the Legislation update.

Ms. Taylor gave the Upcoming Events timeline.

BOARD ATTORNEY'S REPORT:

There was no report this month.

OLD BUSINESS /RECONVENE AS THE BOARD OF CANVASSERS:

Ms. Bracknell asked for a motion to convene as the Board of Canvassers. At 5:25 pm, Mr. Campbell made a motion which was seconded by Mr. Price and unanimously approved by those members who were present at the meeting.

Mr. Feryus presented one ballot received in the office after certification of the 2024 Presidential General Election. After reviewing the ballot, Ms. Bracknell made a motion to reject the ballot; Mr. Campbell seconded. The motion passed unanimously by those members who were present at the meeting.

Mr. Price asked for a blanket motion to reject all future untimely ballots received for the 2024 Presidential Election and to have those ballot amounts added to subsequent Election Office Reports. Mr. Campbell made a motion, Ms. Bracknell seconded. The motion passed unanimously by those members who were present at the meeting.

At 5:35 pm Ms. Bracknell made a motion to adjourn the Board of Canvassers and Mr. Campbell seconded. The motion passed unanimously by those members who were present during the meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

William Martino and Steven McCurdy addressed the Board.

Mr. Young asked the speakers for follow-up information.

Signing of Bylaws

Mr. Campbell signed the existing Bylaws.

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FY2026 Budget

Ms. Bracknell asked for a motion to approve the FY2026 budget as presented. Mr. Price made a motion which was seconded by Mr. Campbell and unanimously approved by those members who were present at the meeting.

Merge Precincts 1-13 and 1-14

Ms. Taylor presented to the Board reasons to combine the two precincts. Ms. Bracknell asked for a motion to merge Precincts 1-13 and 1-14. Mr. Price made a motion which was seconded by Mr. Campbell and unanimously approved by those members who were present at the meeting.

MAEO Conference Dates 2025

Ms. Taylor reminded the board of the conference dates, May 4-9, 2025, and that one of the days will be the State required Bi-Annual day.

CONFIRMATION OF NEXT MEETING:

The next meeting scheduled is February 26, 2025 at 5:00pm.

MEMBERS' TIME:

There was no report.

CLOSED SESSION:

Ms. Bracknell asked for a motion to move into closed session. Mr. Price made the motion, and Mr. Campbell seconded the motion. The board unanimously agreed to move into closed session at 5:50pm. The purpose of the closed session was for legal advice and employee related issues.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Price made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and Mr. Campbell seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved, and the meeting was adjourned at 6:29 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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HARFORD COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS OFFICE REPORT February 26, 2025

Administration:

- The MAEO meeting has been taking up most of our time.
- SBE's Biennial conference May 4th to May 5th.
- MAEO conference May 6th to May 9th.
- I went to Ocean City with the conference planning committee to do a site visit at the Grand Hotel.

Staff Updates:

• Our last full-time contractual employee's last day will be February 28th.

Election Operations

- Candidate filing started yesterday.
- We are 99% complete with the state-owned equipment inventory.
- We heard that the Board of Education was proposing to close Darlington Elementary School, so to be proactive we looked at viable alternative sites.
- The Equipment/Warehouse team have attended the Election Technology and the Election MAEO committee meetings.

Election Judges:

- We contacted Harford County Public Schools and homeschooling groups regarding outreach for school and in office voting education.
- Prepared Power Point presentation for school outreach.
- Attended zoom demonstrations for two election worker management software programs. One vendor offered us a six-month free trial which we accepted.
- Attended MAEO EJ committee meeting.
- We are exploring additional Smartsheet capabilities to enhance judge scheduling & management.
- We are developing training sessions and plan to offer them this spring through the fall for Chief, Same Day Registration and Provisional judges.
- We also want to offer our judges two or three days a month to come into the office to work with the election equipment and paperwork.

Voter Registration:

January

- List Maintenance
 - Social Security verifications 5

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- DHMH (Deceased) list through the Maryland Department of Health (2 reports) –
 304
- o AOC List (felons) 6
- Cancelled for Non-citizenship 0
- Inactivated 328
- ERIC Reports
 - o NCOA (National Change of Address) 1019
 - o Cross State 550
 - In-State Updates 453
 - o Deceased 4
 - In-State Duplicates 8 pairs
- 3 Fuzzy Matching Reports (AOC, DHMH and Century Club)
- Quarterly Jury (Non-Resident, Non-Citizen, and Deceased)
- Volume from Electronic Voter Registration Applications (EVRAs) 3453
 - o Voter Registration Applications 3437
 - o Mail-in Ballot Applications 16

Current as of 2/24/25

This month we have received our DHMH and AOC reports. We have also received an ERIC deceased report and continue to receive documents from the Jury Commissioner weekly. Two 2024 Presidential General Election ballots were received late and rejected in MDVOTERS.

Legislation:

The following bills have passed in the House and have moved on to the Senate:

<u>HB0041/ SB0267</u> Election Law Petitions for the Formation of a New Political Party Process. This bill moves deadlines up a month, allowing more time for processing petitions in the office.

<u>HB0199/ SB0257</u> Election Law- Notice to Permanent Absentee Voters. This bill moves the date up earlier by which SBE must send out permanent MIB reminders. <u>HB0153</u> Election Law- Voter Registration Age and Notification to Minors. Altering,

from 16 years old to 15 years and 9 months old, the age at which an individual may register to vote.

Upcoming Events:

- February 27th SBE Collaboration Meeting
- February 28th Mail-in Ballot Lessons Learned Meeting
- March 12th MAEO In-person Committee Meeting
- March 19th MAEO Standards Committee Meeting

	Precinct : All Status : Active Inactive Status Reason: All Split : All	
Date : 02/21/2025 Report No. : DP-007	Precinct Voter Counts Report	Board of Elections: Harford User Name : Taylor, Stephanie

	TOTAL	DEM	REP	GRN	UNA	OTHERS
PRECINCT 01001	1613	340	859	ω	378	33
PRECINCT 01002	2596	967	939	2	614	74
PRECINCT 01003	5377	1858	2029	Сī	1400	85
PRECINCT 01004	4606	1346	2116	4	1085	55
PRECINCT 01005	4847	1714	1772	6	1252	103
PRECINCT 01006	2437	764	1014	ω	587	69
PRECINCT 01007	4866	1585	2055	2	1169	55
PRECINCT 01008	2097	681	835	2	564	15
PRECINCT 01009	537	130	252	0	139	16
PRECINCT 01010	1402	594	401	Ľ	368	38
PRECINCT 01011	2403	849	923	ц	576	54
PRECINCT 01012	2245	934	751	4	519	37
PRECINCT 01013	3279	1427	950	-	837	64
PRECINCT 01014	4277	2125	964	ω	1085	100
PRECINCT 01015	4281	1965	1241	4	989	82
PRECINCT 01016	4189	1532	1587	4	974	92
PRECINCT 01017	2040	839	646	Ľ	500	54
PRECINCT 01018	2736	1170	849	ω	668	46
PRECINCT 01019	3607	2031	586	7	875	108
PRECINCT 01020	3620	2114	517	9	871	109
PRECINCT 01021	5829	3011	1262	6	1425	125
PRECINCT 01022	2141	1027	523	2	544	45
PRECINCT 02001	3143	752	1660	2	674	55
PRECINCT 02002	403	109	199	0	84	11
PRECINCT 02003	52	17	26	0	9	0
PRECINCT 02004	222	59	98	0	53	12
PRECINCT 02005	1924	994	376	Ľ	520	33
PRECINCT 02006	4354	1803	1368	⊷	1092	90
PRECINCT 02007	5552	2523	1454	4	1409	162
PRECINCT 02008	2436	1088	531	4	729	84
PRECINCT 02009	1049	360	293	0	357	39
PRECINCT 02010	2037	821	677	0	491	48
PRECINCT 03001	5811	1182	3281	σ	1228	115