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AGENDA

**Harford County Board of Elections
133 Industry Lane, Forest Hill, MD 21050
January 28, 2026
5:00 p.m.**

- Call to Order; Declaration of Quorum
- Welcome Members and Guests
- Request Additions or Changes to the Agenda
- Approval of Minutes
 - December 3, 2025, Meeting
 - December 3, 2025, Closed Meeting
- Election Office Report
- Board Attorney's Report
- Old Business
- New Business
 - Financial Disclosures
- Confirmation of Next Meeting
- Members' Time
- Closed Session*
- Adjournment

NEXT MEETING: February 18, 2026

*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
December 3, 2025

PRESENT:

Board:	Staff:
Christina Bracknell, Board President	Stephanie Taylor, Director
Medford Campbell, Member	Karen Perry, Deputy Director
Marquita McMillan, Vice President	Jennifer Klem, Staff
Joseph Price, Member	Barbara Salvatore, Staff (Virtual)
James Richardson, Member	Nathan Reynolds, Staff
Brian K. Young, Esq., Board Counsel	

QUORUM:

Ms. Bracknell called the meeting to order at 5:01 pm and determined there was a quorum with at least one member of the minority party being present.

Shari Carswell, John Davidson, Matthew Francis, Brian Perry, Janet Jenson, James Jenson, William Martino, Yvette Martino, Steven McCurdy, Joesph Oladejo, and Dale Livingston were present from the public.

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

ADDITIONS OR CHANGES TO THE AGENDA:

Ms. Taylor asked if William Martino could be added to the agenda under new business.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The October 22, 2025, Regular Meeting minutes were presented. Ms. Bracknell asked for a motion to approve the minutes. Mr. Richardson made the motion, which was seconded by Mr. Campbell. The motion passed unanimously by the rest of the Board Members who were present for the October 22, 2025, Regular Meeting. (Ms. McMillan was not present for the approval of the meeting minutes).

ELECTION OFFICE REPORT:

Ms. Taylor & Ms. Perry gave the Administration update.

Mr. Reynolds gave the Election Operations update.

Ms. Perry gave the Election Judge update.

Ms. Klem gave the Voter Registration update.

Ms. Perry gave the Candidate Filing update.

Ms. Perry gave the Upcoming Events timeline.

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BOARD ATTORNEY'S REPORT:

Mr. Young stated that provision mandating showing voter ID, in the President's Executive order, was stricken in court. The Department of Justice is now suing the State of Maryland for failing to provide requested voter records to the Federal Government. Mr. Young also stated that a lawsuit in other states was settled regarding citizenship requirements.

OLD BUSINESS:

None at this time.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. Martino addressed the board.

Meeting Dates for 2026

Ms. Taylor presented the meeting dates for 2026. The February meeting date was changed to February 18, 2026. The July and August meeting dates will be revisited and confirmed closer to the summer. The December meeting date will also be addressed after the 2026 General Election.

Important Election Related Dates

Ms. Taylor presented the Board of Canvassers Meeting dates for the 2026 Election cycle.

CONFIRMATION OF NEXT MEETING:

The next meeting scheduled is January 28, 2026, at 5:00pm.

MEMBERS' TIME:

Mr. Richardson attended a fundraiser for Bob Cassily.

CLOSED SESSION:

Ms. Bracknell asked for a motion to move into closed session. Mr. Price made the motion, and Ms. McMillan seconded the motion. The board unanimously agreed to move into closed session at 5:23pm. The purpose of the closed session was "to discuss the appointment, employment, promotion, discipline, demotion, compensation, removal, resignation, or performance evaluation of appointees, employees, or officials over whom this public body has jurisdiction; any other personnel matter that affects one or more specific individuals" and "to consult with counsel to obtain legal advice."

ADJOURNMENT:

Ms. Bracknell asked for a motion to adjourn. Ms. McMillan made the motion, and Mr. Richardson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by the rest of the Board Members who were present at the meeting and the meeting was adjourned at 5:23 pm.

Respectfully submitted,


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HARFORD COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS
OFFICE REPORT
January 28, 2026

Administration:

- The County has started upgrading our computers and laptops.

Staff Updates:

- We have submitted the necessary paperwork to unfreeze our two contractual pins so we can start the recruitment process.
- The performance evaluations were completed in December and submitted to SBE.

Election Operations

- Our election plan was approved by the State Board of Directors in December.
- Resumed training office staff on opening & closing procedures of voting equipment.
- We are transferring twenty-eight pollbooks to Washington County.
- Continuing regular equipment charging & maintenance

Election Judges:

- Reviewed and submitted the Judge Manual to SBE which has been approved.
- Sent out a Winter Newsletter
- Currently reviewing and updating training presentations.
- Continuing to update our active judge list.
- Meet and Greets will resume in February.

Voter Registration

November

- Volume from Electronic Voter Registration Applications (EVRAs) – 3785
 - Voter Registration Applications – 3733
 - Mail-in Ballot Applications – 52
- Social Security verifications – 8 records verified.
- DHMH (Deceased) list through the Maryland Department of Health – 140 records processed.
- AOC List (Administrative Office of the Courts) – 4 felons cancelled.
- Cancelled for non-citizenship – zero records.
- Inactivated – 164

ERIC Reports

- NCOA (Post Office - National Change of Address) 1430

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- Cross State (Other States Voter Registration and Motor Vehicles) – 887
- In-State Update (MVA) – 895

December

- Volume from Electronic Voter Registration Applications (EVRAs) – 3760
 - Voter Registration Applications – 3752
 - Mail-in Ballot Applications – 8
- Social Security verifications – 5 records verified.
- DHMH (Deceased) list through the Maryland Department of Health – 158
- Cancelled for non-citizenship – 1 record.
- Inactivated – 886

ERIC Reports

- Deceased – 7 records
- Duplicate Report – Zero records

Current as of 1/21/2026

- In addition to regular daily work, we have received our DHMH report, Century Club report and two fuzzy matching reports (DHMH and potential duplicates). We continue to receive documents from the Jury Commissioner weekly and have received and processed our quarterly jury report.
- USPS proposed a new rule, Postmarks and Postal Possession, 90 FR 38716, effective December 25, 2025. This new language was intended to provide clarity on postmarks and their relationship to the date of mailing. The rule advises that, due to postal operations, the postmark date does not always correspond to the date on which the Postal Service first accepted possession.

Legislation

- This year's General Assembly session began on January 14th. As with every session, we are keeping an eye on election related legislation in conjunction with MAEO and their Legislative Committee. At the time of writing (January 20th), there are thirty-eight election related bills filed. The process is only beginning and hearings for bills in committees are being scheduled.
- One upcoming bill is of importance for LBEs and MAEO. It amends state law so the LBE's board counsel need only be registered to vote in the state and not the county in which they are working.

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Candidate Filing

- As of January 22, 2026, we have filed thirty-four candidates for the 2026 Gubernatorial Election. To see the candidate list use this link to the State Board of Elections website:
https://elections.maryland.gov/elections/2026/Primary_candidates/gen_cand_lists_2026_1_by_county_13.html

Upcoming Events:

- February 3rd – MAEO Mail-in Ballot and Voter Registration Meeting



Jared DeMarinis
State Administrator

Michael Summers, Chairman
Jim Shalleck, Vice Chairman

Katherine Berry
Deputy Administrator

Diane Butler
Victoria Jackson-Stanley

Maryland State Board of Elections Reassures Voters that Mail-in Voting is a Secure and Convenient Option for Casting Your Vote

ANNAPOLIS, MD (January 14, 2026) - Amidst new United States Postal Services (USPS) policy changes, the Maryland State Board of Elections (SBE) wants to remind voters that mail-in voting remains a safe, convenient and effective way to vote.

USPS proposed a new rule, Postmarks and Postal Possession, [90 FR 38716](#), effective December 25, 2025. This new language was intended to provide clarity on postmarks and their relationship to the date of mailing. The rule advises that, due to postal operations, the postmark date does not always correspond to the date on which the Postal Service first accepted possession.

“I urge every voter who wants to cast a mail-in ballot with USPS to act early or to utilize one of our 286 ballot drop boxes. Ballot drop boxes are located throughout the State to ensure equal access for all voters. Each ballot drop box is routinely emptied, well lit, and under surveillance to ensure safety and prevent any tampering.” said Jared DeMarinis, State Administrator of Elections. “Mail-in voting remains a secure and convenient option for casting your vote. Remember that the State Board of Elections is the trusted source of information for elections and mail-in voting. Please don’t let the new rule on postmarks disenfranchise you, make a plan for voting.”

Mail-in ballots returned by mail must be postmarked by or before 8 p.m. on Election Day, Tuesday, June 23. If returned by hand, ballots must be dropped at a ballot drop box or local board of elections by 8 p.m. on Tuesday, June 23.

To receive a mail-in ballot by mail, your request must be received (not just mailed) by June 16. The deadline to request a web delivery mail-in ballot is June 19. Visit SBE’s mail-in ballot [webpage](#) for more information on how to request a ballot.

For registered voters who do not want to cast a mail-in ballot, there are two other ways to vote in the upcoming election: vote early in-person or vote on Election Day.

Vote Early In-Person: Early voting begins Thursday, June 11 and runs through Thursday, June 18. Early voting centers are open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. Find the list of early voting centers [here](#).

Vote on Election Day: To find your Election Day polling place, visit SBE’s [Find My Polling Place portal](#). Election Day polling places will be open June 23 from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Please remember to rely on your state and local government election officials as your trusted sources for election information. Visit SBE's [website](#), follow SBE on social media, or contact your local elections office for accurate election information. Report any suspicious information to SBE's disinformation [portal](#).

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Precinct Voter Counts Report

Precinct : All Status : Active Inactive Status Reason: All Split : All

	TOTAL	DEM	REP	GRN	WCP	UNA	OTHERS
PRECINCT 01001	1607	325	859	3	0	387	33
PRECINCT 01002	2622	967	939	2	4	640	70
PRECINCT 01003	5467	1896	2041	6	2	1442	80
PRECINCT 01004	4599	1317	2098	4	1	1123	56
PRECINCT 01005	4892	1704	1778	7	3	1297	103
PRECINCT 01006	2440	746	1011	5	3	614	61
PRECINCT 01007	4919	1591	2054	2	1	1217	54
PRECINCT 01008	2287	739	891	2	0	634	21
PRECINCT 01009	531	131	239	0	0	150	11
PRECINCT 01010	1445	615	402	2	3	388	35
PRECINCT 01011	2410	838	919	1	2	602	48
PRECINCT 01012	2288	944	752	4	2	549	37
PRECINCT 01013	3305	1424	947	2	3	868	61
PRECINCT 01014	4442	2187	995	8	4	1148	100
PRECINCT 01015	4282	1947	1229	5	9	1019	73
PRECINCT 01016	4278	1582	1603	4	5	1002	82
PRECINCT 01017	2128	881	653	1	2	536	55
PRECINCT 01018	2808	1189	859	6	2	709	43
PRECINCT 01019	3681	2046	582	8	13	932	100
PRECINCT 01020	3700	2107	539	12	13	928	101
PRECINCT 01021	5872	2982	1272	7	13	1485	113
PRECINCT 01022	2270	1081	526	4	5	609	45
PRECINCT 02001	3189	738	1679	2	1	717	52
PRECINCT 02002	399	111	190	0	1	85	12
PRECINCT 02003	51	17	26	0	0	8	0
PRECINCT 02004	217	48	101	0	0	56	12
PRECINCT 02005	1997	1045	368	1	1	549	33
PRECINCT 02006	4849	2001	1455	1	4	1298	90
PRECINCT 02007	5692	2529	1481	9	19	1498	156
PRECINCT 02008	2479	1080	534	5	14	773	73
PRECINCT 02009	1105	372	315	0	2	381	35
PRECINCT 02010	2049	807	670	0	2	520	50
PRECINCT 03001	5983	1191	3355	7	3	1311	116

MDVOTERS * = Former Precinct/Split

Precinct Voter Counts Report

	Precinct : All Status : Active Inactive Status Reason: All Split : All										
	TOTAL	DEM	REP	GRN	WCP	UNA	OTHERS				
PRECINCT 03002	3105	710	1649	3	1	699	43				
PRECINCT 03003	3483	961	1690	2	2	786	42				
PRECINCT 03004	3843	900	2114	3	1	789	36				
PRECINCT 03005	3280	857	1572	6	0	804	41				
PRECINCT 03006	6428	1754	3043	4	0	1544	83				
PRECINCT 03007	6633	1565	3324	5	5	1648	86				
PRECINCT 03008	2881	673	1508	2	3	657	38				
PRECINCT 03009	7658	1853	3962	8	5	1719	111				
PRECINCT 03010	2623	696	1234	5	1	644	43				
PRECINCT 03011	5515	1695	2380	7	5	1323	105				
PRECINCT 03012	652	185	306	0	0	145	16				
PRECINCT 03013	5680	1656	2462	9	3	1449	101				
PRECINCT 03014	3131	842	1443	2	0	802	42				
PRECINCT 03015	2679	836	1193	3	1	625	21				
PRECINCT 03016	5159	1492	2256	2	2	1321	86				
PRECINCT 03017	3300	933	1474	0	2	842	49				
PRECINCT 04001	2814	471	1721	0	3	589	30				
PRECINCT 04002	2199	431	1289	1	2	449	27				
PRECINCT 04003	3226	568	1979	3	3	633	40				
PRECINCT 04004	3029	649	1686	1	3	638	52				
PRECINCT 04005	2183	479	1165	0	3	507	29				
PRECINCT 04006	4030	970	2174	2	2	819	63				
PRECINCT 04007	687	172	361	2	0	148	4				
PRECINCT 05001	5587	925	3465	4	8	1106	79				
PRECINCT 05002	2839	477	1681	1	3	618	59				
PRECINCT 05003	1707	326	948	2	1	405	25				
PRECINCT 06001	283	87	126	0	0	62	8				
PRECINCT 06002	2736	937	1001	5	2	747	44				
PRECINCT 06003	783	330	220	2	0	216	15				
PRECINCT 06004	10403	4046	3309	18	18	2787	225				
Grand Total	208839	67654	86097	222	216	50996	3654				

**PRESIDING OFFICER'S WRITTEN STATEMENT FOR CLOSING A MEETING ("CLOSING STATEMENT")
UNDER THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT (General Provisions Article § 3-305)**

This form has two sides. *Complete items 1 – 4 before closing the meeting.*

1. **Recorded vote to close the meeting:** Date: 1/28/24 ^{5:17pm}; Time: ~~5:17~~; Location: BoFE;
Motion to close meeting made by: JP; Seconded by JC;
Members in favor: All; Opposed: —;
Abstaining: —; Absent: 2 members virtual but in meeting

2. **Statutory authority to close session (check all provisions that apply).**
This meeting will be closed under General Provisions Art. § 3-305(b) only:

(1)___ "To discuss the appointment, employment, assignment, promotion, discipline, demotion, compensation, removal, resignation, or performance evaluation of appointees, employees, or officials over whom this public body has jurisdiction; any other personnel matter that affects one or more specific individuals"; (2)___ "To protect the privacy or reputation of individuals concerning a matter not related to public business"; (3)___ "To consider the acquisition of real property for a public purpose and matters directly related thereto"; (4)___ "To consider a matter that concerns the proposal for a business or industrial organization to locate, expand, or remain in the State"; (5)___ "To consider the investment of public funds"; (6)___ "To consider the marketing of public securities"; (7) "To consult with counsel to obtain legal advice"; (8)___ "To consult with staff, consultants, or other individuals about pending or potential litigation"; (9)___ "To conduct collective bargaining negotiations or consider matters that relate to the negotiations"; (10)___ "To discuss public security, if the public body determines that public discussion would constitute a risk to the public or to public security, including: (i) the deployment of fire and police services and staff; and (ii) the development and implementation of emergency plans"; (11)___ "To prepare, administer, or grade a scholastic, licensing, or qualifying examination"; (12)___ "To conduct or discuss an investigative proceeding on actual or possible criminal conduct"; (13)___ "To comply with a specific constitutional, statutory, or judicially imposed requirement that prevents public disclosures about a particular proceeding or matter"; (14)___ "Before a contract is awarded or bids are opened, to discuss a matter directly related to a negotiating strategy or the contents of a bid or proposal, if public discussion or disclosure would adversely impact the ability of the public body to participate in the competitive bidding or proposal process." (15)___ "To discuss cybersecurity, if the public body determines that public discussion would constitute a risk to: (i) security assessments or deployments relating to information resources technology; (ii) network security information . . . or (iii) deployments or implementation of security personnel, critical infrastructure, or security devices."

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3. For each provision checked above, disclosure of the topic to be discussed and the public body's reason for discussing that topic in closed session.

Citation (insert # from above)	Topic	Reason for closed-session discussion of topic
§3-305(b) (A)	Consult with counsel on legal matters	Review state litigation and local board questions
§3-305(b) ()		
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4. This statement is made by Christine Brockwell Presiding Officer.

WORKSHEET FOR OPTIONAL USE IN CLOSED SESSION: INFORMATION FOR SUMMARY TO BE DISCLOSED IN THE MINUTES OF THE NEXT OPEN MEETING. (See also template for summary.)

> For a meeting closed under the statutory authority cited above:

Time of closed session: 5:17pm

Place: BOE

Purpose(s): consult w/ legal counsel

Members who voted to meet in closed session: All

Persons attending closed session: All - 2 virtual - mm, JR

Authority under § 3-305 for the closed session: 7

Topics actually discussed: State litigation and local board questions

Actions taken: NONE

Each recorded vote: NA

> For a meeting recessed to perform an administrative function (§ 3-104): Time: _____

Place: _____

Persons present: _____

Subjects discussed: _____