

Minutes of the August 4, 2021, meeting of the Gloucester County Electoral Board.

The meeting was called to order by the Vice-Chairman at 8:30 AM in the Elections & Voter Registration Complex in County Office Building #1. Present were guests, Pat Dunnington, Republican Party Representative, Margaret Walker, guest, Dianne Carter, Democratic Party Representative. Kathleen Kellar, Evan Farmer by phone, Rebecca Horsley and Bobbi Morgan, Director of Elections and Voter Registration.

Chairman Report: Discussed his talk to be given at the September 7th Board of Supervisors meeting. Bobbi Morgan will give Vice-Chair and Secretary a copy for review.

Vice-Chairman Report: No Report

Secretary Report: Advised she would be driving to the Regional VEBA Meeting. The group will be leaving at 9:30am from County Office Building #1.

Director of Elections Report:

REDISTRICTING: No update available on Census Data. Timeline for a change desired for the upcoming November Election at this point would not be feasible. Revisit this after the November Election.

CAMPAIGN FINANCE: One candidate has not filed and was fined for missing the July 15, 2021, deadline. Next filing is Sept. 15, 2021.

ELECTORAL BOARD: Electoral Board Members and the Director of Elections attended the All-Day Online Sessions for our Annual Training by The Department of Elections on 6/29/2021 Noted below. Also, the Director of Elections will attend The Department of Elections Certification Training on 9/1/2021.

ELECT STATE TRAINING: The following sessions were held: Opening remarks from Commissioner, Chris Piper, Legislative discussion to cover new House & Senate Bills passed that cover Pre-Election, Absentee Voting, Election Day, and Logistical Changes. Overview of the VERIS RFP Project by Gail Gilstrap.

VOTING: **Last day to Register or Change your name or address:** Tuesday, October 12.

Three ways to Vote Easy:

- 1) **Absentee Vote by Mail** until Friday, October 22, (Can request now, ballots will be mailed by September 17)
Request a ballot online:
<https://vote.elections.virginia.gov/VoterInformation/Lookup/absentee>
Return In-person thru Ballot Drop Box, In Office or Mail to: PO Box 208, Gloucester, VA 23061
- 2) **In-Person Early Voting** at the Office of Elections and Voter Registration
Begins Friday, September 17, 2021

Hours Mon- Fri, from 8:30am-4:30pm

Open 2 Saturdays (October 23 & October 30, from 9am-5pm)

3) **Election Day** Tues., Nov. 2, 2021, at your normal polling location.

Have more questions, visit our website and be informed before you go to vote.

See the Sample Ballot: <https://www.gloucesterva.info/349/Elections-and-Voter-Registration>

BALLOT DROP BOX: The Official Gloucester County Ballot Drop Box continues to guarantee ballot security and offer a safe and easy way for voters to return their ballots.

BALLOTS: Will be here before Friday, September 17, 2021. The Sample Ballot will be posted to our website to inform our voters to be prepared to know the ballot before Election Day.

An Important Message below was mailed out on 6/28/2021 to all prior Absentee Ballot by Mail requests, that notify the voter you have been added to the Annual Absentee Voters list per new legislature and it gives you the opportunity to opt-out of becoming a Permanent Absentee by Mail voter:

Official Notice to Voters on the Annual Absentee Voter List

You are receiving this notice because:

- You submitted an absentee application and indicated you want to vote by mail for all elections this year.
- Virginia has now established a permanent absentee voter list and discontinued the annual absentee voter list.
- On July 1, voters on the annual absentee voter list will be automatically transferred to the permanent list.

If you do nothing:

- You will automatically be transferred to the permanent absentee voter list.
- A ballot will automatically be mailed to you for each election in which you are qualified to vote.
- The ballot will be mailed to the mailing address in your voter registration record until you cancel your registration, request to be removed from the list, change your registration address, or submit a new absentee application.
 - If you want your ballot sent to an address other than your registration mailing address or if you want to change your party preference for a primary election, you must complete a separate absentee application.

If you do not want to remain on the permanent list:

1. Detach the postcard below.
 2. Mark the box to confirm your request to be **removed** from the list.
 3. Print your name and sign.
 4. Return the postcard:
 - By mail: postage required or;
 - Scan and email to bamorgan@gloucesterva.info
- If you want to vote by mail for any election, you will need to submit a new absentee application for that election.

For more information, contact: Gloucester County Office of Voter Registration and Elections

NOVEMBER QUALIFIED CANDIDATE STATUS:

(D) Democratic (R) Republican (LP) Liberation & (I) Independent. **Note on Ballot: Party designation for your local candidates below (in red) will not be printed on your ballot.** *“Election officials within the Commonwealth of Virginia are by law not allowed to provide party designation for local candidates on the ballot (§ 24.2-613). The only candidates that may have a party designation on a ballot are those running for federal, statewide, or General Assembly offices.”*

GOVERNOR:

(D) Terry R. McAuliffe
(R) Glenn A. Youngkin
(LP) Princess L. Blanding

LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR:

(D) Hala S. Ayala
(R) Winsome E. Sears

ATTORNEY GENERAL:

(D) Mark R. Herring
(R) Jason S. Miyares

HOUSE OF DELEGATES (98TH):

(D) E. B. "Ella" Webster
(R) M. Keith Hodges

CIRCUIT COURT CLERK:

(R) Cathy L. Dale

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

Petsworth District:

(R) Michael R. Winebarger
(I) Ken W. Gibson

York District:

(R) Phillip N. Bazzani

At-Large:

(R) Teresa L. Altemus
(I) Kevin M. Smith

SCHOOL BOARD:

Petsworth District:

(I) Anita F. Parker
(I) Karen L. Espinoza

York District:

(I) Carlton L. "Drew" Drew
(I) Elisa A. Nelson

At-Large:

(I) Kellie L. Lockerby

Next Meeting: Sept 16, 2021, at 11am

Meeting adjourned at 9:15 AM.

Evan Farmer
Chairman

Kathleen Kellar
Vice-Chairman

Rebecca Horsley
Secretary