

**MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 27, 2018**  
**CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS**

Meeting called to order at 8:13 A.M. Chairman David Hood, Secretary Barry Cheney, Member Stephen Palmer, Director Amanda Duncan present.

Duncan presented letter to candidates re: campaign sign placement. Hood and Cheney suggested some minor changes, letter was approved by Board.

8:18 Hood moved that Board go in to closed session to discuss personnel matter per Statute 143-318.11 (a)(6). Palmer seconded. Commenced closed session.

8:37 Closed meeting ended. Discussion of office's use of moving service to deliver equipment to voting sites. Duncan expressed dissatisfaction with current vendor, AAA Moving. Suggested we consider Barringer moving. Will obtain quote.

Office will post opening for vacant position resulting from recent resignation of employee.

Meeting adjourned 8:40 A.M.

Respectfully submitted;

Barry Cheney, Secretary



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TO: All candidates campaigning in Catawba County  
FROM: Amanda H. Duncan, Board of Elections Director  
DATE: February 27, 2018  
RE: Campaign sign placement

During the February 20<sup>th</sup>, 2018 Board of Elections meeting, the board determined that only standard yard signs (ranging from 14"x22" to 24"x36") mounted on stakes are to be allowed at One-Stop sites and Election Day polling locations in Catawba County. Large mobile signs such as displayed in the beds of trucks or on trailers are also banned from all polling location properties.

As a reminder, property owners may impose other restrictions on their property:

- **Newton Main Library** – signs may be placed only at two marked "Designated Sign Placement" areas. Campaign signs placed outside these areas will be removed.
- **Highland Recreation Center** – signs may be placed only between the two "Designated Sign Placement" signs. Campaign signs placed outside these areas will be removed.
- **Corinth Baptist Church (Pct 2-Banoak) and Olivet Baptist Church (Pct 21-Monogram)** – the churches do not allow any political signs on their property. All campaign signs will be removed. On election day, persons working for a candidate are allowed to hand out literature outside the 50-foot buffer zone.
- **Blackburn Baptist Church (Pct 3-Blackburn), East Maiden Baptist Church (Pct 9-East Maiden), and Abernethy Memorial UMC (Pct 25-North Newton)** – allow campaign signs only at posted "Designated Sign Placement" areas.

Other reminders about electioneering:

- All electioneering must take place outside the 50-foot election marker at all polling places and one-stop sites.
- Persons working for candidates must not obstruct the sidewalks or entrances to the buildings.
- Please remember, these buildings may be open for other business and every person entering the building may not be there to vote.
- Signs at election day polling places should not be placed until the day before the election and must be removed when the polls close at 7:30 pm on Election Day. Signs that are left up after this time will be removed and disposed of.
- Signs placed in the state highway system's right-of-way are allowed beginning on the 30th day before the beginning date of "one stop" early voting and must be removed by the 10th day after the primary or election day. NCGS § 136-32(b)

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A list of Catawba County's polling locations may be found at [www.catawbacountync.gov/elections](http://www.catawbacountync.gov/elections)

CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

Minutes of meeting held on February 11, 2020

The meeting was called to order at 8:15 a.m. Chair Barry Cheney, members Jason White and David Hood, and the Director were present. The minutes from November 22, 2019, were approved.

The Board approved three overseas absentee ballot applications and 93 civilian applications.

The Board passed a resolution to count absentee ballots beginning at 4:30pm on election day, March 3, as well as to handle additional absentees, provisionals and the like at 8:15am on March 12.

After a discussion about how and when to close or delay office hours and staffing in the event of inclement weather, the Board decided to follow whatever decision is made in that regard by Catawba County with respect to its employees, facilities and operations.

There was discussion about the need to establish some uniformity for the placement of campaign signs at the Sherrill's Ford early voting site. The Board authorized the Director to establish two locations for campaign signs at the site, consistent with how the Board has dealt with the same issue at other early voting sites.

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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David Hood, Acting Secretary

MINUTES OF  
CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS  
November 7, 2023

Board Chair Barry Cheney called the meeting to order at 5:00pm. All members participated in the meeting.

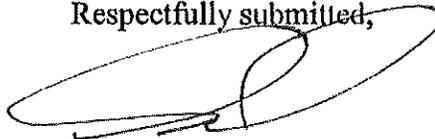
The minutes from the November 6, 2023 meeting were unanimously approved.

The Board oversaw the tabulation of the results from early voting and mail-in absentees, and then signed the abstracts to report those results.

Director Amanda Duncan asked the Board where political signs in future elections should be located at the Sherrills Ford early voting location, given recent paving on site. After discussion, the Board unanimously agreed that signs should be placed near the corner of Sherrills Ford Road and Berry Drive.

There being no other items of business, Board Chair Cheney then adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

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David W. Hood, Secretary

MINUTES OF  
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February 17, 2026

Board Chair David Hood called the meeting to order at 8:15 am. All members present, Culbreath-Setzer by phone.

The Board unanimously approved the minutes from the meeting of February 10, 2026.

The Board then reviewed 48 Civilian ballots, 1 Overseas ballot and 1 Military ballot. The OS and Military ballot were re-marked. Also re-marked 6 damaged ballots.

All 50 absentee ballots were scanned into tabulator.

Duncan reported that 2,184 ballots cast as of Monday 2/16.

Duncan informed Board that there have been a number of inquiries about policy of political signs at voting sites. Board clarified that we have a policy of only allowing signs inside designated areas at specific sites. Board will revisit issue to determine if policy should be applied at all sites for subsequent elections.

There being no other items of business, Chair Hood then adjourned the meeting at 8:34.

Respectfully submitted,

Barry Cheney- Secretary