



## **MONTGOMERY COUNTY** **BOARD OF ELECTIONS**

John Adams, Chair  
Teddi Benson, Secretary  
Kelsey Brown, Member  
Debbie Burris, Member  
Dree Wynkoop, Member

### **ABSENTEE BOARD MINUTES** **Tuesday, February 24, 2026** **5:00PM**

The Montgomery Board of Elections (BOE) met on February 24, 2026, at the Montgomery County Board of Elections office located at 327 N Main Street in Troy for the required weekly absentee meeting. Members John Adams, Teddi Benson, Kelsey Brown, Debbie Burris, and Dree Wynkoop attended. BOE staff, Director Kimberly Walter and Deputy Director Donna Moore were present.

Chair John Adams called the meeting to order at 5:00PM.

The Board Meeting Agenda was presented. Member Benson made a motion to approve the agenda. Member Wynkoop seconded the motion. All were in favor. The agenda was approved.

The minutes from the February 17, 2026, Absentee Board meetings were presented. Member Brown made a motion to approve the minutes. Member Burris seconded the motion. All were in favor. The minutes were approved, signed and returned to BOE office staff to file and to post of BOE website.

#### **Old Business**

There was no old business

#### **New Business**

##### **Board Review of Returned Absentee Ballots**

Director Walter reported that three ballot packets have been returned since the last Absentee Meeting and are ready for the Board to review. Director Walter presented the Board with the Absentee Voter Correspondence List and three sealed envelopes containing the returned Absentee ballots. Each Member carefully reviewed each return envelope and determined that all were to be accepted. Each Member signed the report verifying each Absentee packet received was reviewed and noted the decision to approve three packets.

There is a standing motion to open the accepted Absentee Ballot packets and run the enclosed ballots in the tabulator from first Absentee Board Meeting held on 1/27/2026. Members confirmed the beginning count on the tabulator was seventeen. Members Benson and Member Wynkoop ran each accepted ballot in the tabulator and announced the ending count on the tabulator was twenty.

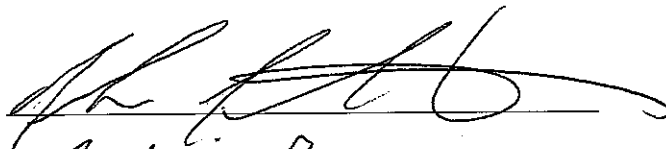
##### **Precinct Official Placement Updates/Appointment**

Deputy Director Moore advised she had contacted each of those precinct officials proposed to temporarily fill vacancies left by those appointed officials who were unable to work during the 2026 Primary Election on March 3, 2026, and everyone called agreed to work. Following that outreach, eleven of the fourteen precincts are fully staffed with five precinct officials. The Republican Judge for the Pee Dee precinct as indicated that she will be available and is slated to

complete training later this week which will provide that precinct with five workers and if she is unable to complete training, there are still four officials committed to work. Three precincts, Little River, Rocky Springs and Wadeville, have four precinct officials scheduled to work. Although this is fewer than what was originally planned, having four workers complies the statutory requirement of a minimum of three workers and, given the size of these precinct's voter registration rolls, it is expected that four officials will be sufficient to serve the voters efficiently and effectively on Election Day.

Chair Adams provided a reminder of special upcoming Board meetings to include the following: Absentee Meeting (3/2/26 at 5PM), Election Day Meeting (3/3/26 at 5PM), Provisional Meeting (3/6/26 at 5PM) and Hand-to-Eye Count (3/10/26 at 10AM).

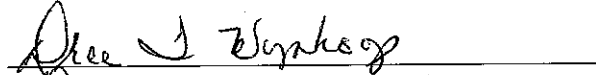
With no further comments or business to discuss, Chair Adams called for a motion to adjourn. Member Wynkoop made the motion to adjourn. Member Burris seconded. All were in favor. The meeting adjourned at 5:45PM.



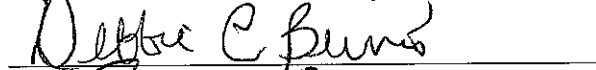
CHAIR



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