



**York County
Voter Registration and Elections
Minutes
February 5, 2026**

**Board of Voter
Registration and
Elections of York
County - Regular
Meeting**

**York County Government Center
6 South Congress Street, Level 4, Suite 4200
York, SC 29745**

10:30 AM

Call to Order

J. Hagner called the meeting to order at 11 a.m.

Approval of Minutes

1. Canvass and Certification Hearing minutes, November 6, 2025

Executive Summary:

Passed	Yes 7, No 0, Abstained 0
MOVANT:	Walter Dusky
SECOND:	Sadie Culp
AYES:	Jonell Hagner, Sadie Culp, Walter Dusky, Camille Livingston, Ken Love, James Mabrey, Patricia Teter
NAYS:	None

2. Canvass and Certification Hearing minutes, November 20, 2025

Executive Summary:

	Yes 7, No 0, Abstained 0
MOVANT:	Walter Dusky
SECOND:	Patricia Teter
AYES:	Jonell Hagner, Sadie Culp, Walter Dusky, Camille Livingston, Ken Love, James Mabrey, Patricia Teter
NAYS:	None

Public Forum Session (limited to thirty (30) minutes, two (2) minutes per person)

Director's report

A. Helms reported the Teg Cay Special Election was certified and the deadline for any protest is 7 p.m.

SCARE Conference:

- SCARE membership approved the association's bylaws and new format.
- The Legislative Panel supports voting centers as an option for counties.
- House bill H.3551 includes language to modify Poll Manager pay to remove the tax requirement on payments and the requirement to withdraw SC retirement.

The presentation to York County Manager on budget requests is next week. Requests include:

- Capital projects request for a new BVRE facility patterned after the Durham County (NC) BVRE building.
- Increased staff professional development
- Venue rental fees
- New Voter Services position

1. 2026 election calendar

Executive Summary:

Provided copies of the current election calendar and fiscal year board calendar.

A. Helms shared a new Special Election is scheduled for Clover Town Council on Tuesday, May 5. Candidate filing will begin at noon on Friday, Feb. 20. The Certification Hearing will be Thursday, May 7.

2. Filing dates for partisan candidates

Executive Summary:

Partisan Candidate filing takes place weekdays from noon on Monday, March 16 through noon on Monday, March 30,

3. Deadline for Ethics filing, March 31

Executive Summary:

Contact Rodney Allen for assistance.

4. State training calendar

Executive Summary:

The State Election Commission (SEC) has had a culture and priorities shift with its new leadership.

- Training classes now have no minimum attendance requirement.
- Regional classes are being offered.
- Board members must attend one class per year to maintain certification; alternate years

must be in person.

5. BVRE Bylaws obsolete policy review

Executive Summary:

A. Helms recommends a review of BVRE bylaws to determine and remove obsolete policies. Additionally, he supports adding a policy to protect the privacy of voters in Provisional Hearings to keep names withheld if total provisional voters is 15 or fewer.

Other Business

Annual Board profile update

Executive Session, if necessary

Matters for consideration following Executive Session

Next meeting

Tuesday, April 7 at 5:30 p.m.

Adjourn

Passed	Yes 7, No 0, Abstained 0
MOVANT:	James Mabrey
SECOND:	Walter Dusky
AYES:	Jonell Hagner, Sadie Culp, Walter Dusky, Camille Livingston, Ken Love, James Mabrey, Patricia Teter
NAYS:	None

Adjourned at 11:35 a.m.