Electoral Board
Isle of Wight County Virginia
04 February 2026

The Electoral Board of Isle of Wight County held its regularly scheduled meeting on Wednesday, 04 February 2026. Members present were Inetha Holmes (Chairman), Rod Hallum (Vice Chairman), Geoffrey McFather (Secretary), Lisa Betterton (Director of Elections (DE)/General Registrar (GR), and Nicole Smith (Chief Deputy Registrar).

Approval of the 07 January 2026 Electoral Board Meeting Minutes were reviewed and unanimously approved. Similarly, the October 2025 and December 2025 Electoral Board Meeting Minutes were reviewed and unanimously approvedt.

Secretary's Report.

1. The Secretary provided the Electoral Board with an overview of the information known-to-date regarding the Virginia House of Delegates and the Virginia Senate efforts to place a Virginia Constitutional Amendment effort on a Referendum Ballot during April 2026. Included in the discussion was a brief overview of the Republican legal action to challenge the Constitutional validity of the Democrat-led effort in the two chambers, including the decision rendered by the Tazewell, Virginia court. Much discussion ensued. The discussion was largely informational and no motions were proposed regarding the matter.
2. The Secretary reminded the Electoral Board that Early Voting begins March 6, 2026 and Election Day will be April 21, 2026 with the Canvass to follow.

Motion was made, seconded and a unanimous vote rendered to accept the Secretary's Report as delivered.

General Registrar's Report.

1. The General Registrar (GR) again reminded the Electoral Board reported that the Annual VEBA Meeting for the Electoral Board will be held March 23rd-25th at The Homestead in Hot Springs, VA. Inetha Holmes will attend the VEBA Bootcamp preceding the Annual Meeting and has a room booked March 22-25. Rod Hallum and Geoff McFather have rooms booked March 23-25.
2. The GR reminded the Electoral Board of the LESS due dates as follows:
    a. March 1st – Rod Hallum to advise the Board of results
    b. April 1st – Submission of initial findings to State Board of Elections
    c. May 1st – Finalized signatures of the Electoral Board.

Motion was made, seconded and a unanimous vote rendered to accept the General Registrar's Report as delivered.

Old / Unfinished Business.

1. As documented in the October 2025 Electoral Board Meeting Minutes, the topic of an Electoral Board Policy addressing campaign signage was addressed. A motion was proposed and seconded detailing the creation of an Electoral Board Policy comprised of the following three (3) provisions:
   1.1. Registrar's Office Signage: Candidate Campaign Sign placement Not earlier than 5p day before Early In-Person Voting begins (General Elections / Primaries / Special Elections).
   1.2. Precinct Signage: Candidate Campaign Sign placement Not earlier than 12p (Noon) the day before Election Day (General Elections / Primaries / Special Elections).
   1.3. Registrar's Office, Precinct, and Public Property Signage: Candidate Campaign Sign removal not later than official sunset two (2) calendar day beyond any General Election, Primary, or Special Election.

   The motion was called, and unanimously approved by the Electoral Board. The Secretary was asked to craft the Electoral Board Policy and have it readied for signature at the March 2026 Electoral Board Meeting.

New Business.

1. None.

Good of the Order.

1. None.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:59 p.m.

Inetha Holmes, Chairman Rod Hallum, Vice-Chairman Geoff McFather – Secretary