

Orange County Virginia Electoral Board  
Minutes  
5-13-22

Attendees:

Donna Harpold, General Registrar and Director of Elections, Orange County VA  
Virginia Derby Jordan, Chair, Orange County Electoral Board  
Lynne Lewis, Vice-Chair, Orange County Electoral Board  
JoAnne Speiden, Secretary, Orange County Electoral Board

The Chair called the meeting to order at 2:11 pm, Friday, May 13, 2022

First order of business was to discuss the minutes from the meeting of April 4, 2022. The Secretary made several corrections to the minutes:

1. To not include the names of observers as attendees.
2. To change the wording of the next meeting from “during the L&A testing” to “after the L&A testing.”

The Vice-Chair moved to approve the minutes as corrected.

The Chair seconded.

The vote was 3 aye.

The next order of business was to discuss the current status of the primary election. As of the current time and day there have been approximately 200 ballots mailed out, approximately 30 have been returned, and 22 have voted early in-person.

The next order of business was to discuss the preparations for the primary election on June 21, 2022. There was discussion about the deployment of election officers, with consideration given to emergency situations where election officers may have to be moved to a different precinct. There was also discussion about the guidance from the Department of Elections regarding unchecking a voter who decides after receiving the ballot that they do not want to vote in the particular primary election.

The Vice-Chair moved to follow this policy .

The Chair seconded.

The vote was 3 aye.

The next order of business was to discuss the logistics of precinct visitations by electoral board members on election day, June 21, 2022. It was decided that in order to try to cover the entire county spread over the time period that the Chair would start in the eastern part of the county and work her way west, the Vice-Chair would start in the middle part of the county and then proceed east and west, and the Secretary would start in the western part of the county and work her way east.

The next order of business was to schedule the next meeting. It was decided to meet on Wednesday, June 22, 2022 at 10:00 am for the canvass of the primary election of June 21, 2022.

There was no agenda item for public comment, but because a member of the public had chosen to attend, he was asked if he wanted to make any comments. He made two comments: one that he had been an election observer for one of the political parties and he had received extensive training on the do's and don'ts of being an observer. He also suggested that the terminology of different roles of people at the precinct was unclear and inconsistent. The GR told him that the people who work at the polls for the conduct of the election were referred to as "election officers" and that poll workers are people who work either officially inside the precinct with required documentation, or are people who work outside the polls beyond the 40' perimeter talking to voters and handing out literature.

The Vice-Chair moved to adjourn the meeting.

The Chair seconded.

The vote was 3 aye.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:48 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

JoAnne Speiden  
Secretary, Orange County Virginia Electoral Board