



BURLINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

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Minutes of the Burlington County Board of Elections Meeting

February 20, 2026 at 11:00 am
301 Harper Drive, Moorestown, NJ

Present: Chairwoman Heather Cheesman, Secretary George Nyikita, Commissioner Jamie Locatell and Commissioner Reva Foster; Administrators Linda Hughes and Claudia Castro Branch

I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

II. CALL TO ORDER

At 11:01 am, Chairwoman Heather Cheesman called the meeting of the Burlington County Board of Elections to order and read the Open Public Meetings Act Statement of compliance.

III. ROLL CALL

Chairwoman Heather Cheesman, Secretary George Nyikita, Commissioner Jamie Locatell, and Commissioner Reva Foster present.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Secretary Nyikita moved to approve the January 27, 2026 Regular Meeting. Commissioner Locatell seconded the motion. The Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

V. APPROVAL OF BILLS LIST

Commissioner Locatell moved to approve the bills list from January 24, 2026 through February 17, 2026. Commissioner Foster seconded the motion. The Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

None.

VII. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Ila Vassallo of Marlton, a pollworker, raised concerns about the rules at voting locations.

Karen Turner, of Westampton, a pollworker, asked that information on changes, based on the news, be shared with pollworkers.

Adam Trachony, of Moorestown, a pollworker, noted that the number of machines in 2024 were short.

Barbara Blonsky, of Mt. Laurel, inquired about the need for pollworker recruitment as a result of redistricting and the addition of new districts.



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Kate Wilson, of Moorestown, asked about the redistricting timeline.

Karen Cohen, of Mt. Laurel, asked about availability of meeting minutes and the process of county committee seats as a result of redistricting.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

A. Redistricting

Administrator Castro Branch shared the 10 towns being redistricted this year and informed the Board that the first batch of scenario maps were expected in the coming days. While statute required redistricting to be completed by March 12, the Board will complete the process at its next meeting on March 10.

IX. REPORTS

None.

X. CORRESPONDENCE

None.

XI. BOARD COMMENTS

None.

XII. SUSPENSION

At 11:24 am, following a motion by Chairwoman Cheesman and a second by Commissioner Locatell, the Board voted unanimously to suspend the meeting until the certification of the Fire Election.



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Minutes of the Burlington County Board of Elections Meeting

February 27, 2026 at 3:00 pm

Teams

Present: Chair Heather Cheesman, Secretary George Nyikita, Commissioner Reva Foster, Commissioner Jamie Locatell; Administrators Linda Hughes and Claudia Castro Branch

I. CALL TO ORDER

At 3:00 pm, Chairwoman Cheesman called the meeting of the Burlington County Board of Elections to order and read the Open Public Meetings Act Statement of compliance.

II. ROLL CALL

Chairwoman Cheesman, Secretary Nyikita, Commissioner Foster and Commissioner Locatell present.

III. CERTIFICATION OF FIRE ELECTION MAIL IN RESULTS

The Board reviewed the mail-in results of the February 21, 2026 Fire Elections. Commissioner Locatell moved to certify the election results of Burlington Township Fire District No. 1 and Chesterfield Township Fire District No. 1. Secretary Nyikita seconded the motion. The Board voted yes and the motion passed unanimously.

Secretary Nyikita moved to certify the election results of Moorestown Township Fire District No. 1 and Moorestown Township Fire District No. 2. Commissioner Foster seconded the motion. Chairwoman Cheesman, Secretary Nyikita and Commissioner Foster voted yes, Commissioner Locatell abstained, and the motion passed.

IV. ADJOURNMENT

At 3:02 pm, following a motion by Chairwoman Cheesman and a second by Commissioner Locatell, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn.