

Dooly County Board of Elections and Registration

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Regular Meeting Minutes January 22, 2026 402 Hawkinsville RD. Vienna, Georgia 31092

The Dooly County Board of Elections and Registration Board meeting was called to order by Elections Supervisor Brenetta Childs at 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, January 22, 2026 at 402 Hawkinsville Road, Vienna, GA.

A quorum was met. Attendees present were:

- Betty Bryant
- Gwendolyn Ford
- Earl Clark
- Wayne Wilkin
- Alex Jones
- Brenetta Childs, Supervisor
- Jessica Fudge, Secretary

Invocation

The invocation commenced with Alex Jones leading the Board members in prayer followed by The Pledge of Allegiance in unison.

Agenda Adoption

The Board reviewed the agenda. Upon a motion by Wayne Wilkin and seconded by Gwendolyn Ford to adopt the agenda as presented; the agenda was unanimously adopted and approved as presented.

Reorganization

Elections Supervisor Brenetta Childs opened up the floor for nominations of Chairman and Vice-Chairman. The Board members nominated Betty Bryant to be the Chairperson of the Board; upon a motion made by Earl Clark and seconded by Alex Jones, the nomination was unanimously accepted Betty Bryant as Chairperson for 2026 by the Board members. The Board members nominated Wayne Wilkin to be the Vice-Chairman of the Board; upon a motion made by Earl Clark and seconded by Alex Jones, the nomination was unanimously accepted Wayne Wilkin as the Vice Chairman for 2026 by the Board members.

Approval of Minutes

The Board reviewed the minutes for the December 4, 2025 regular meeting. Upon a motion by Alex Jones and seconded by Earl Clark to approve the minutes for December 4, 2025 regular meeting, the minutes were unanimously approved and adopted as presented.

Approval of the 2026 Board Meeting Schedule

The Board members reviewed the board meeting schedule for 2026. Upon a motion made by Earl Clark and seconded by Gwendolyn Ford, the board meeting schedule for 2026 was unanimously accepted and approved as presented.

Budget Report (November 2025/December 2025)

Elections Supervisor Brenetta Childs along with the Board members briefly discussed the budget reports for November 2025 and December 2025. The budget reports were accepted as presented.

Qualifying Fees for Dooly County Elections in 2026 set by Board of Commissioners

Elections Supervisor Brenetta Childs along with the Board members briefly discussed the qualifying fees for the upcoming 2026 Dooly County Elections. Elections Supervisor Brenetta Childs informed the Board members of the qualifying fees as well the dates for qualifying for the upcoming election.

House Representative Patty Stinson Visit to Dooly County

Elections Supervisor Brenetta Childs informed the Board members about the meeting with House Representative Patty Stinson that will be held on Friday, January 23, 2026 at 10:00 a.m. at the Dooly County Commissioners Office.

Warranty and/or purchase of scanners

Elections Supervisor Brenetta Childs along with the Board members discussed whether the Dooly County Elections office would get a warranty on the scanners or purchase more scanners. The Board members opted to place the warranty/purchase of scanners in pending status until the SB199 is decided upon.

FYI: Upcoming Elections 2026 Dates

Elections Supervisor Brenetta Childs informed the Board members of the upcoming elections for 2026. The dates for 2026 Elections are as follow:

Qualifying: March 2, 2026 – March 6, 2026

Pending: Special Election Board of Education

Primary: May 19, 2026

Primary RunOff: June 16, 2026

Registration Deadline: for May & June: April 20, 2026

General: November 3, 2026

General Runoff: December 1, 2026

Registration Deadline: for November & December: October 5, 2026

The next regular meeting will be held on Thursday, February 26, 2026 @ 5:00 p.m. at 402 Hawkinsville, Road, Vienna, Georgia.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 5:49 p.m.