

TRANSYLVANIA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS
ABSENTEE MEETING MINUTES

March 3, 2026

Chair Cruickshank called the meeting of the Transylvania County Board of Elections to order at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 3, 2026, at 150 South Gaston Street, Brevard, NC 28712.

Attendance

Board Members:	Staff Members:
Chair: Jim Cruickshank Secretary: Judith West Nona Walker Phyllis Owen Thomas A. Smith III	Director: Jeff Storey Deputy Director: Laura Owen Deputy Director: Julie Dennis

Visitors: None

Consideration of absentee ballots

Deputy Director Owen presented the Board with 5 civilian (CIV) absentee ballot applications to consider and approve. **Member West made a motion to approve the executed absentee ballots. The motion carried unanimously.** Deputy Director Owen presented the Board with 2 overseas (OVR) absentee ballot applications to consider and approve. **Member Owen made a motion to approve the executed absentee ballots. The motion carried unanimously.**


Approved: 5 CIV , 2 OVR
Disapproved: 0
Curable: 0

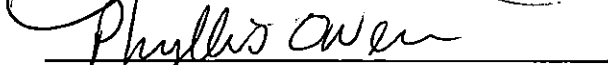
Count of Absentee Ballots

The Board conducted the counting of absentee by mail ballots that were received by 7:30 p.m. on Election Day. Absentee voting equipment was closed and results were recorded on the official absentee abstracts.

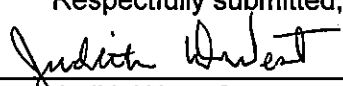
The Board observed the closing of early voting equipment and the release of absentee by mail and early voting results.


On a motion by Chair Cruickshank, the meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m. The next scheduled meeting will be at 1 p.m. on March 6, 2026, at 150 South Gaston Street, Brevard, NC 28712.



Jim Cruickshank, Chair


Phyllis Owen, Member

Respectfully submitted,


Judith West, Secretary


Nona Walker, Member

Thomas A. Smith III, Member

Approved by Board on: 4/9/26