

BOARD OF REGISTRATION AND ELECTIONS APPROVED MINUTES

SPECIAL MEETING – NOVEMBER 4, 2025

The Fulton County Board of Registration and Elections met in Special Session on Tuesday, November 4, 2025, at 6:30 p.m.

The meeting was recorded and is available for your review on FGTV YouTube Channel

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCYH7E0jH6HxE-3KTRluH8SQ

Board Members Present Ms. Sherri Allen, Chairperson Mrs. Teresa Crawford Mr. Douglass Selby Ms. Julie Adams

Staff Attending: Mrs. Nadine E. Williams, Director; Mrs. Kathryn Glenn, Registration Chief; Mr. John Ross, Information Systems Manager; Ms. Regina Waller, Division Manager; Mr. James Reese, Mr. Tyree Spencer, Mrs. Nerieda Andrew, Mr. Kendrick Kirkpatrick

Legal: Mr. Chad Alexis, Supervising County Counsel; Ms. Ann Brumbaugh, Special Counsel

ACRONYMS:

BRE- Board of Registration and Elections **DRE-** Department of Registration and Elections **EHOC-** Elections Hub and Operations Center

BOC- Board of Commissioners

ABM- Absentee by Mail

L&A- Logic and Accuracy Testing **VEO-** Voter Education and Outreach

REIF- Reporting Elections Systems Issue Form

BMDs- Ballot Marking Devices
SOS- Secretary of State's
SEB- State Election Board
DDS- Department of Driver Services
CERA- Certified Elections Registration Administrator
GARVIS- Georgia Registered Voter Information System
GAVREO- Georgia Voter Registration and Elected Officials
AV- Advance Voting

#1- APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Chair Allen entertained a motion to approve the agenda. The motion was made by **Mr. Selby**, seconded by **Mrs. Crawford**, and carried by a unanimous vote of 4-0.

NEW BUSINESS

#2-RATIFY THE REQUEST FOR WAIVER FROM THE STATE ELECTION BOARD'S (SEB) RULE FOR PRE-CERTIFICATION MEETING

- > SEB RULE 183-1-12-.12(f)
- Special Election for State Senate District 35 on November 18th
- ➤ Precertification Meetings: November 21st and December 19th

Chair Allen announced that the board spoke informally regarding this request and agreed to discuss it during this meeting. She requested that Attorney Brumbaugh provide an update.

Timestamp: 5.15

Link: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v= jNWEn0L62M

Attorney Brumbaugh outlined how the Request for SEB Rule Waiver. She acknowledged that Cobb County submitted their petition on the SEB for a Rule waiver the Pre-certification meetings

- on October 22 the SEB acknowledged receipt of a Rule Waiver request
- The petition must be posted online for 15 days
- SEB posted both Cobb and Fulton's petition
- SEB can consider or vote on November 13th

A Georgia Administrative Procedure Act (**APA**) waiver allows for the modification or exemption from an agency rule when strict application would cause unreasonable hardship or a substantial hardship to an applicant, provided the rule's purpose is still met. To seek a waiver, an individual or entity must file a petition with the relevant agency, such as a professional licensing board, and demonstrate why a waiver is needed. The agency can then grant or deny the petition, with the denial subject to judicial review.

Chair Allen mentioned that she informally spoke with each member to briefly discussed the request.

Ms. Adams inquired about any communications with Cobb County prior to submitting Fulton's petition

Members, Staff, and attorneys answered no.

Ms. Adams outlined that the petitions are completely different, and she agreed with Cobb's verbiage.

Attorney Brumbaugh explained that Fulton's petition reflects the canvassing policy the BRE passed 5-0 in August 2025.

Ms. Adams expressed frustration with the BRE policies and not having the ability to take pictures or get documents electronically.

Mrs. Crawford moved to Call the question.

Chair Allen entertained a motion to the Call to question. The motion was made by **Mrs. Crawford**, seconded by **Mr. Selby**, and carried by a 3-1, Nay Adams

Chair Allen entertained a motion to approve to ratify the request for a waiver from the State Election Board's (SEB) rule for the listed pre-certification meetings. The motion was made by **Mr. Selby**, seconded by **Mrs. Crawford**, and carried by a 3-1, Nay Adams.

Ms. Adams requested a legal review of the Board limiting access to what board members can see and how election material is disseminated.

Attorney Alexis responded that he would review and provide guidance at a later meeting.

#3-RECAP OF THE SPECIAL RUNOFF ELECTION

Director Williams greeted and updated the BRE and the public:

PSC/ General Municipal and Special Election:

City of:

Alpharetta, Atlanta, Chattahoochee Hills, College Park, East Point, Fairburn, Hapeville, Johns Creek, Milton, Mountain Park, Palmetto, Roswell, Sandy Springs, South Fulton, Union City

- Good Turnout, minimum issues but a few elections equipment concerns
- 105K+ Cast Ballots during Advance Voting
- 108K+ Cast Ballots on Election Day (as of 6pm)
- 1.6K Cast Absentee Ballots
- Election Results will not be posted until 8pm due to the City of Atlanta
- 148 Polling locations assigned
- 24 Advance Voting locations
- 7 Drop boxes

Ms. Adams commended the DRE on being able to conduct two elections on the same day. She received good feedback on precincts that had 2 elections occurring at the same time.

Chair Allen and Mrs. Crawford echoed Ms. Adams' compliment.

Mrs. Crawford announced smooth elections operation in North Fulton.

Mr. Selby reiterated the request for alternative messaging via text with voters.

Director Williams responded that she would follow up with a third request to the Election Director at SOS.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board did not convene into Executive Session.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, **Chair Allen** entertained a motion to adjourn. **Ms. Adams** moved to adjourn the meeting **Mrs. Crawford** seconded the motion. There being no further business on the agenda, the Board adjourned the meeting at 6:42 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned.

Prepared by:
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