TRANSYLVANIA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

June 12, 2025

Chair Champion called the meeting of the Transylvania County Board of Elections to order at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, June 12, 2025, at 150 South Gaston Street, Brevard, NC 28712.

Attendance

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Board Members:		Staff Members:		
Chair:	Sara Champion	Director:	Jeff Storey	
Secretary:	Judith West	Deputy Director:	Laura Owen	
	Wendy Warwick	Deputy Director:	Julie Dennis	
	Nona Walker			

Visitors: Jim Cruickshank, Kelly Gee, Barb Jackson, Herschel Johnson

Review and approval of agenda

On a motion by Member Warwick the Board approved the agenda 4-0.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

Review and approval of previous minutes

The Board reviewed the minutes for April 10, 2025. On a motion by Member Warwick, the minutes for April 10, 2025 were approved 4-0.

Demo of E.V.S. 6.3.0.0. & Hart Systems

The Board was provided and witnessed voting system demonstrations from Elections Systems & Software and Hart InterCivic.

Review & Recommendation

There was discussion and review of the voting system demonstrations. The director answered questions and provided additional information regarding the benefits of the EVS 6.3.0.0. including additional security and enhanced reporting. The Board was satisfied with the demonstrations and recommended the Election Systems & Software EVS 6.3.0.0. voting system. On a motion by Member Warwick, the Board approved 4-0 to purchase the ES&S EVS 6.3.0.0. voting system contingent on the successful testing and approval from the State Board of Elections and county commissioners.

Director updates

Director Storey indicated the Constitution, Justice For All, We the People, and No Labels political parties are no longer recognized in North Carolina. Still waiting on the State Board of Elections to update the system to reallocate affected voters to unaffiliated.

Recognition of Service

The director recognized the service of departing board members Sara Champion, Sandy Watson, and Wendy Warwick. Their exemplary service was carried out in a nonpartisan manner

with professionalism and integrity ensuring that voters could have confidence in the results of elections in Transylvania County. Members West and Walker thanked the departing members for their service and commitment to the voters of Transylvania County.

On a motion by Chair Champion, the meeting was adjourned at 11:23 a.m. The next scheduled meeting will be at 12 noon on July 22, 2025, at 150 South Gaston Street, Brevard, NC 28712 for the newly appointed board members.

Respectfully submitted,

Jim Cruickshank, Chair

Journal Walker, Member

Phyllis Owen, Member

Thomas A. Smith III, Member

Approved by Board on: ____July 22, 2025