

The Union County Board of Elections met on February 11, 2025. Those in attendance were Chairman Dean Cook; Board Members Willam Steele, Barbara Luke, Jeff Robinson; Director Brandon Clay; Deputy Director Michelle Forrider and Election Specialist Vicki Flanders and Fred Vogel; Guest

Chairman Cook called the meeting to order at 9:30am.

Approve minutes from the December 3, 2024, Board meeting

Board Member Steele moved to approve the minutes with Board Member Robinson seconding the motion.

- The motion passed unanimously.

Approve Bills

Deputy Director Forrider presented bills for approval.

1. Ballot Sync
2. Pitney Bowes
3. Intab
4. ES&S
5. Shred Direct
6. Visa
7. RBM
8. ComDoc
9. OAEO

Board Member Luke motioned to approve the bills with Board Member Robinson seconding the motion.

- Motion passed unanimously.

Campaign Finance

Deputy Director Forrider presented the 2024 post-general, 2025 annual campaign and Designation of Treasurer finance reports.

Post-General Campaign Finance

1. Citizens Committee for People with Developmental Disabilities
2. Support Your Library Levy Committee
3. Citizens to Elect Michael Justice Sheriff
4. Stauch for County Engineer
5. Citizens to Re-Elect David Phillips
6. Citizens for Schools Committee
7. For Union County
8. William (Alex) Bogardus
9. Smarra for Treasurer
10. Committee to Elect Joe Craft
11. Tom McCarthy for Commissioner

2025 Annual Campaign Finance

1. Union County Democratic Party Operating Fund
2. North Union Levy Committee
3. Scott Hunter for Marysville

4. Union County 911 Committee
 5. Committee to Elect Andrea Weaver
 6. Friends to Elect Keith Conroy
 7. Fairbanks Levy Committee
 8. Jerome Township Property Owners PAC
 9. Jermaine Ferguson for Marysville
 10. Union County Democratic Party Scholarship Fund
 11. Union County Democratic Party Restricted Fund
 12. Lori LaCella for Allen Township Fiscal Officer
 13. Committee to Elect Robert Parrott for Municipal Court Judge
 14. Citizens for Senior Services, Better Roads, and Safer Bridges
 15. Citizens Committee for People with Developmental Disabilities
 16. Union County Republican Party Operating Fund
 17. Safer Jerome
 18. Tyler Hall for Traditional Values
 19. Friends of Tony Eufinger
 20. Friends of Steven Wolfe
 21. Committee to Elect Joe Craft
 22. Bordner for Marysville
 23. Union County Republican Party- Restricted Fund
 24. Union County Republican Party- Scholarship Fund
 25. The Friends of the Union County Health Department Levy Committee
 26. Residents of Jerome Township
 27. Smart Coalition
 28. Smarra for Treasurer
- Designation of Treasurer***
1. Friends of Shawn Parker
 2. Weber for Ohio

Board Member Luke motioned to approve the campaign finance with Board Member Robinson seconding the motion.

- Motion passed unanimously

2025 YTD Budget Summary

Deputy Director Forrider presented an update on the YTD budget. There were no questions or concerns.

Questions and Issues for the May 2025 Special Election Ballot

The staff presented Questions and Issues to be certified for the May ballot. These included the following:

1. Roosters of Marysville Sunday sales liquor option
2. Village of Richwood tax levy renewal
3. Washington Township tax levy renewal
4. ARSA PC Properties liquor option weekday and Sunday sales
5. City of Marysville proposed charter amendment to enact article XII
6. Marysville exempted village school district tax levy
7. City of Marysville proposed charter amendment to amend article IV

Board Member Luke motioned to certify the proposed questions and issues for the ballot with Board Member Robinson seconding the motion.

- Motion passed unanimously.

Two petitions were presented to the board lacking the requirements for certification due to insufficient signatures.

1. Rustic Brew Farm
2. Harris Broadway Express

Board Member Steele motioned to decline certification with Board Member Robinson seconding the motion.

- Motion passed unanimously.

Machine Allocations

Deputy Director Forrider presented the May Special Election machine allocations for the Boards approval.

Board Member Steele motioned to approve the allocations with Board Member Robinson seconding the motion.

- Motion passed unanimously.

Misc.

The office staff presented a quote for a new Board of Elections server. The funding for the server is allocated in the 2025 budget but still requires Board approval.

Board Member Luke motioned to approve the purchase of the new server with Board Member Robinson seconding the motion

- Motion passed unanimously

The staff also presented quotes for three new computers that need replacement. The VTTS computer, Ballot on Demand computer, and a failing office computer.

Board Member Luke motioned to approve the purchase with Board Member Robinson seconding the motion.

- The motion passed unanimously.

Outsourcing Absentee Ballots

The staff presented the Board with the option to approve outsourcing absentee ballot processing for the upcoming elections. The company to be used for this service will be determined at a later date.

Board Member Luke motioned to approve the outsourcing service with Board Member Robinson seconding the motion.

- Motion passed unanimously.

Board Member Steele motioned to adjourn the meeting at 10:27am with Board Member Robinson seconding the motion.

- Motion passed unanimously.

Attest: Vicki Flanders
Vicki Flanders, Election Specialist

Chairman: Dean Cook
Dean Cook, Chairman