

The Union County Board of Elections met on March 4, 2025. Those in attendance were Chairman Dean Cook; Board Members Barbara Luke, Rich Coglianese, and Fred Vogel; Director Brandon Clay; Deputy Director Michelle Forrider and Election Specialist Vicki Flanders, Secretary of State Liaison Susie O'Brien, Assistant Prosecuting Attorney Thayne Gray, and Municipal Court Judge Bob Parrot.

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

Director Clay explained the order of the biannual reorganization meeting as outlined in the Secretary of State Directive.

Selection of Temporary Chairperson

Board Member Cook motioned to appoint Board Member Barbara Luke as the temporary Chairperson of the Union County Board of Elections with Board Member Coglianese seconding the motion.

- Motion passed unanimously

Appointment of Director

Board Member Coglianese motioned to appoint Brandon Clay as Director of the Union County Board of Elections with Board Member Vogel seconding the motion.

- Motion passed unanimously

Appointment of Deputy Director

Board Member Cook motioned to appoint Michelle Forrider as Deputy Director of the Union County Board of Elections with Board Member Vogel seconding the motion.

- Motion passed unanimously

Appointment of Chairperson

Board Member Vogel motioned to appoint Board Member Dean Cook as the Board Chairman of the Union County Board of Elections with Board Member Coglianese seconding the motion.

- Motion passed unanimously

Oath of Office

Municipal Court Judge Bob Parrot swore in the newly appointed board members and the Board of Elections staff.

Approve of Minutes for the February 11, 2025 Board Meeting

Board Member Luke motioned to approve the board minutes with Board Member Vogel seconding the motion.

- Motion passed unanimously

Approve Bills

Deputy Director Forrider presented bills for approval.

1. Quill

2. Verizon
3. Visa
4. ComDoc

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

- Motion passed unanimously

YTD Budget Summary

Deputy Director Forrider reviewed the YTD budget. The budget is on track for the year. There were no questions or concerns.

2024 Chargebacks

Deputy Director Forrider presented the chargebacks from the 2024 Primary and Presidential Elections. Board member Luke motioned to approve the chargebacks with Board Member Coglianese seconding the motion.

- Motion passed unanimously

Election Update

Director Clay and Deputy Director Forrider presented an update for the upcoming May 6th election. Everything is progressing nicely. Poll worker responses to work in this election have been high. The ballot has been coded and proofread. All wording and district designations are correct. The layout of the ballot might still go through some additional adjustments. The final ballot must be completed by March 21, 2025 for UOCAVA Ballots.

July Board Meeting

The July 1, 2025, board meeting will conflict with the newly scheduled Secretary of State's Annual Summer Conference. Board Member Vogel motioned to cancel the July 2025 board meeting provided that no conflicts arise that need addressed. Board Member Luke seconding the motion.

- Motion passed unanimously

Board member Coglianese motioned to adjourn the meeting at 10:06 am with Board Member Vogel seconding the motion.

- Motion passed unanimously

Attest: Vicki Flanders
Vicki Flanders, Election Specialist

Chairman: Dean Cook
Dean Cook, Chairman