

LANCASTER COUNTY ELECTION BOARD MEETING
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 5, 2025

The Board of Elections met today for an Election Board Meeting.

Present at today's meeting were:

Ray D'Agostino, Chairman
Donald R. Geiter, Vice-Chairman
Alice Yoder
BOARD OF ELECTIONS

Lawrence M. George
COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR/CHIEF CLERK

Jacquelyn Pfursich, Esquire
COUNTY SOLICITOR

Also, present were:

Christa Miller, Chief Clerk/Chief Registrar
BOARD OF ELECTIONS

Jeff Ross, Resident
MANHEIM TOWNSHIP

Commissioner D'Agostino called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

Commissioner D'Agostino announced approval of the February 26, 2025, Election Board meeting minutes.

Because a hearing for the polling place change outlined in Resolution No. 5 of 2025 was not placed on the agenda, in abundance of caution, the Board of Elections will not act on the Resolution, and instead, due to time constraints per the Election Code, petition the Court of Common Pleas to request an order to authorize the change.

Christa Miller, Chief Clerk/Chief Registrar, provided a brief explanation of the polling place change, which affects the Seventh District of Manheim Township. The polling place is being temporarily moved from the Residence Inn by Marriott Lancaster to Michael's Motor Cars for the Special Election only. It will return to the Residence Inn by Marriott Lancaster for the Primary Election.

Jeff Ross, Manheim Township resident, attended the meeting to express his support for the polling place change.

Christa Miller confirmed that voters will receive postcards next week notifying them of the polling place change.

Commissioner Yoder thanked Christa Miller and her staff for their efforts in managing polling place changes and ensuring a smooth process.

Commissioner D'Agostino noted that they will inform the judge that Jeff Ross, a resident of Manheim Township, was present at the meeting and voiced his support for the polling place change. Additionally, no opposition to the change was submitted to the Board of Elections.

Update on the March 25, 2025, Special Election and May 20, 2025, Primary Election

Christa Miller, Chief Clerk/Chief Registrar

Christa Miller reported that the county currently has 184,756 registered voters for the upcoming Special Election. Voter registration for the Special Election closes on Monday, March 10, at 11:59 p.m. While the Election and Voter Registration Office will close at 5:00 p.m., voters can still submit changes and updates online.

As of this morning, the office has received 13,967 mail-in ballot requests, with 83 mail ballots already returned.

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The number of returned ballots is expected to increase by the end of this week and into next week. Christa Miller also mentioned that parking spaces for ballot drop-off remain available in front of the post office, as usual. Extended hours for the Special Election will be posted on the Election and Voter Registration Office's website. These hours are as follows: the Friday before the election until 8:00 p.m.; Saturday before the election from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.; and Election Day from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

For the Primary Election, the county currently has 356,014 registered voters, with 18,966 mail-in ballot requests received so far.

The Election and Voter Registration Office is also in the midst of petition intake, which will continue until next Tuesday, March 11, at 5:00 p.m. Christa Miller encourages anyone returning petitions to do so as early as possible, as there is a lot of activity at the office. There are designated windows at the Election and Voter Registration Office for petitions, ballot drop-offs, and in-person mail ballots.

Commissioner D'Agostino stated that the Board of Elections will next meet on Monday, March 24, to discuss poll workers, followed by a meeting on Tuesday morning – Election Day, to begin the pre-canvass process, and again on Friday that week.

On motion of Commissioner Yoder, seconded by Mr. Geiter, the meeting adjourned at 11:14 a.m.

Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Lydia Kovalchuk, Executive Assistant
Commissioners' Office