

# MCDOWELL COUNTY

BOARD OF ELECTIONS



**Board Members:**  
Barbara Hilty, Chair  
Kay House, Secretary  
Tracey Bolick, Member  
Jimmie Hachadurian, Member  
Della Watson, Member

**Meeting Date:** December 30, 2025

**Board Members Present:** Barbara Hilty, Chair *BAH*  
Tracey Bolick, Member *JB*  
Jimmie Hachadurian, Member *JRH*  
Kay House, Secretary (by phone) *KHA*  
Della Watson, Member (by phone)

**Staff Present:** Kim Welborn, Director  
Jane Propst, Director in Training  
Baylie Davis, Elections Assistant

**Public Attendees:** Susan Elliott, Suzanne Fisher, Joan Messner, Robin Stark

## Opening

Barbara Hilty called the meeting to order at 9:06 am.  
a. Pledge of Allegiance

## Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting, November 14, 2025, were presented. Barbara Hilty moved to approve the minutes; Tracey Bolick seconded the motion. No discussion. The motion carried unanimously, 5-0.

## Old Business - None

## New Business

### a. 2026 Primary Ballot Proof

The March 3, 2026 Primary Election Ballot Proof was presented for approval. Barbara Hilty moved to approve the ballot; Jimmie Hachadurian seconded the motion. No discussion. The motion carried unanimously, 5-0.

### b. 2026 Primary Election Student Elections Officials

Thirteen (13) Student Elections Official Applications were submitted. Jane presented the applications to the board. All of the applications were verified to be complete. Each board member present reviewed the applications. The board failed to vote on the applications.

### c. 2026 Primary Elections Officials

The March 2026 Primary Election Official list was presented. This list includes assistants, judges, and chief judges, chosen from both party recommendations. The Election Official list was presented by precinct.

- Crooked Creek- The Crooked Creek Primary Elections Officials list was presented. Jimmie Hachadurian motioned to approve the list as presented, seconded by Tracey Bolick. No discussion. The motion carried unanimously, 5-0.
- Dysartsville- The Dysartsville Primary Elections Officials list was presented. Tracey Bolick motioned to approve the list as presented, seconded by Barbara Hilty. No discussion. The motion carried unanimously, 5-0.
- Old Fort #1- The Old Fort #1 Primary Elections Officials list was presented. Tracey Bolick motioned to approve the list as presented, seconded by Barbara Hilty. No discussion. The motion carried unanimously, 5-0.
- Old Fort #2- The Old Fort #2 Primary Elections Officials list was presented. Jimmie Hachadurian motioned to approve the list as presented, seconded by Barbara Hilty. No discussion. The motion carried unanimously, 5-0.
- Glenwood- The Glenwood Primary Elections Officials list was presented. Jane Propst informed the board that Pam Stoger was appointed as a Judge, but she is unable to fill the position for the 2026 Primary Election. Barbara Hilty motioned to approve the list as presented, seconded by Jimmie Hachadurian. No discussion. The motion carried unanimously, 5-0.
- Higgins- The Higgins Primary Elections Officials list was presented. Tracey Bolick motioned to approve the list as presented, seconded by Jimmie Hachadurian. No discussion. The motion carried unanimously, 5-0.
- Montford Cove- The Montford Cove Primary Elections Officials list was presented. Barbara Hilty motioned to approve the list as presented, seconded by Jimmie Hachadurian. No discussion. The motion carried unanimously, 5-0.
- Marion #1- The Marion #1 Primary Elections Officials list was presented. Barbara Hilty motioned to approve the list as presented, seconded by Jimmie Hachadurian. No discussion. The motion carried unanimously, 5-0.
- Marion #2- The Marion #2 Primary Elections Officials list was presented. Jimmie Hachadurian motioned to approve the list as presented, seconded by Barbara Hilty. No discussion. The motion carried unanimously, 5-0.
- Marion #3- The Marion #3 Primary Elections Officials list was presented. Jane Propst informed the board that John Jacobs was appointed as Chief Judge, he is unable to fulfil this position, but he would like to be a Judge. Keith Bahm was appointed as a Judge, but he is willing to be moved up to Chief Judge. Jimmie Hachadurian motioned to approve the list as presented, seconded by Tracey Bolick. No discussion. The motion carried unanimously, 5-0.
- Marion #4- The Marion #4 Primary Elections Officials list was presented. Jane Propst informed the board that Margaret Plemmons was appointment as Chief Judge, but she is unable to fulfil this position for the 2026 Primary Election. Tracey Bolick motioned to approve the list as presented, seconded by Jimmie Hachadurian. No discussion. The motion carried unanimously, 5-0.
- Marion #5- The Marion #5 Primary Elections Officials list was presented. Tracey Bolick motioned to approve the list as presented, seconded by Jimmie Hachadurian. No discussion. The motion carried unanimously, 5-0.

- North Cove- The North Cove Primary Elections Officials list was presented. Barbara Hilty motioned to approve the list as presented, seconded by Tracey Bolick. No discussion. The motion carried unanimously, 5-0.
- Pleasant Gardens- The Pleasant Gardens Primary Elections Officials list was presented. Jimmie Hachadurian motioned to approve the list as presented, seconded by Barbara Hilty. No discussion. The motion carried unanimously, 5-0.
- Nebo- The Nebo Primary Elections Officials list was presented. Barbara Hilty motioned to approve the list as presented, seconded by Tracey Bolick. No discussion. The motion carried unanimously, 5-0.
- Turkey Cove- The Turkey Cove Primary Elections Officials list was presented. Jimmie Hachadurian motioned to approve the list as presented, seconded by Tracey Bolick. No discussion. The motion carried unanimously, 5-0.
- West Marion- The West Marion Primary Elections Officials list was presented. Barbara Hilty motioned to approve the list as presented, seconded by Jimmie Hachadurian. No discussion. The motion carried unanimously, 5-0.

As of December 30, 2025, the board accepts the list 2026 Primary Elections Official List.

**General Discussion - None**

**Public Comments – None**

**Adjournment**

Jimmie Hachadurian moved to adjourn at 9:48 am.

Respectively Submitted,

*Baylie Davis*

Baylie Davis, Elections Assistant

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