



Carroll County Board of Elections



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AGENDA*

Carroll County Board of Elections
1135 Business Parkway South, Suite 60, Westminster
Wednesday, November 19, 2025
10:00 am

- I. Call Meeting to Order and Declaration of Quorum
- II. Welcome
- III. Additions to the Agenda
- IV. Approval of Meeting Minutes
 - a. October 15, 2025 – Open Meeting
- V. Correspondence
- VI. Attorney Report
 - a. Refresher
- VII. Election Directors' Report
- VIII. Unfinished Business
 - a. Watson 2025-2026 Participation Agreement
- IX. New Business
 - a. Bylaws
 - b. Approval of Election Plan – Ballot Drop Boxes
- X. Disclosure of Campaign Contributions
- XI. Adjournment – Open Meeting
- XII. Closed Meeting

**This Agenda is subject to change*

Closed Meeting: A portion of the meeting will be closed in accordance with the Open Meetings Act, Title 10, Subtitle 5, section §3-305(b), to discuss the appointment, employment, assignment, promotion, discipline, demotion, compensation, removal, resignation, or performance evaluation of appointees, employees, or officials over whom it has jurisdiction.

Public Participation: Members of the public may address the Board. Pursuant to §3.2B of the Board's bylaws, public participation at a meeting must be pre-scheduled and pre-approved by the President. To request approval to speak at a board meeting, contact Erin Perrone at 410-386-2081 or by email erine.perrone@maryland.gov no later than 5 pm the day before the meeting.



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Election Directors' Report Wednesday, November 19, 2025

Public Information Requests

- Katherine Sullivan, Director, SecureTheVoteMD – received Thursday, October 30th – Election Judge Documentation and Provisional Ballot Clarification – Response submitted Monday, November 10th

Important Meetings and Events

- November 20th – Erin & Jen – SBE/LBE Collaboration Meeting
- November 24th – Deadline to submit Election Plan to SBE
- November 27th – Holiday – Thanksgiving – Office Closed
- November 28th – Holiday – American Indian Heritage Day – Office Closed
- December 3rd – Erin & Jen – Weekly Check-in with SBE
- December 4th – State Board Meeting @ 2pm
- December 10th – Erin & Jen – Weekly Check-in with SBE
- December 16th – Erin, Jen, Staff – MAEO Meeting
- December 17th – Erin & Jen – Weekly Check-in with SBE
- December 17th – Board Meeting and Holiday Luncheon

Candidate Filing – 2026 Gubernatorial Election

- Encourage candidates to make an appointment via our website
- Deadline to file is Tuesday, February 24, 2026, at 9 pm
- Candidates who have filed can be found on SBE's website at https://elections.maryland.gov/elections/2026/Primary_candidates/index.html

Voter Registration

- Monthly statistical reports are available on our website. The link to the reports is <https://elections.carrollcountymd.gov/monthlyStats.aspx>.
- Day to day electronic batches and processing mail

As of 10/31/2025	DEM	REP	UNA & OTHER	TOTAL
Active Voters	33,018	64,560	34,083	131,661
Inactive Voters	1,395	2,737	1,739	5,871
TOTAL	34,413	67,297	35,882	137,532

Election Judges

- Begin assigning election judges for early voting & election day

IT/Warehouse

- Battery replacement in scanners and ballot marking devices
- Battery test on pollbooks

Voter Outreach Events

- Nothing to report

Personnel

- Election Director Evaluation by State Administrator, Jared DeMarinis
- Holiday Party – after the meeting on Wednesday, December 17 – out to lunch

County Government

- FY27 Budget – Due Thursday, December 11th
- FY27 Budget – Presented for approval at Wednesday, December 17th meeting

2025 Board Meetings

- December 17, 2025

2026 Board Meetings

- January 21, 2026
- February 18, 2026
- March 18, 2026
- April 15, 2026
- May 20, 2026

2026 Gubernatorial Elections – Important Dates

- Pre-Election Day MIB Canvass – Monday, June 1, 2026
- Primary Advanced Deadline to Register – Tuesday, June 2, 2026
- Primary Early Voting – Thursday, June 11 through Thursday, June 18, 2026
- Primary Election – Tuesday, June 23, 2026
- MIB Canvass 1 – Thursday, June 25, 2026
- Provisional Canvass – Wednesday, July 1, 2026
- MIB Canvass 2 & Certification – Monday, July 6, 2026
- Pre-Election Day MIB Canvass – Tuesday, October 13, 2026
- General Advanced Deadline to Register – Tuesday, October 13, 2026
- General Early Voting – Thursday, October 22 through Thursday, October 29, 2026
- General Election – Tuesday, November 3, 2026
- MIB Canvass 1 – Thursday, November 5, 2026
- Provisional Canvass – Thursday, November 12, 2026
- MIB Canvass 2 & Certification – Friday, November 13, 2026



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Maryland State Board of Elections “Defenders of Democracy” Initiative for Voters During Media Literacy Week

Click [Here](#) for “Defenders of Democracy” Video

Annapolis, MD (October 27, 2025) – In recognition of Media Literacy Week, the Maryland State Board of Elections (SBE) is announcing its “Defenders of Democracy” initiative. Media Literacy week highlights the need to check and verify sources of information. This initiative encourages every Marylanders to be vigilant in receiving information on social media regarding elections, voter eligibility and registration, and methods of voting.

As a Defender of Democracy, each of us has a duty to seek accurate and truthful information and help stop the spread of mis/dis/mal information affecting our elections and the democratic process. SBE, as the verified and trusted source of election-related information, reminds voters of its online disinformation and misinformation reporting portal, available at https://elections.maryland.gov/press_room/Dis-Misinformation.html. The portal empowers Marylanders to take an active role in identifying and stopping the spread of false election-related claims by becoming “Defenders of Democracy.”

“Media Literacy Week is the perfect moment to highlight the power every Maryland voter has to fight back against disinformation,” said Jared DeMarinis, State Administrator of Elections. “When you see something false, don’t ignore it. Report it, get the facts from us, and then share the truth. That collective action is what makes Maryland voters true Defenders of Democracy.”

The disinformation portal is part of SBE’s ongoing commitment to protecting the integrity of elections and ensuring voters have access to trusted information. False claims about voter registration, polling locations, mail-in ballots, or election results can undermine confidence in the process. By using the portal, voters can:

- **Report it** – flag suspicious or false election-related claims.
- **Verify it** – check trusted information directly from SBE.
- **Share it** – help others by passing along the correct information.

SBE encourages all Marylanders to make <https://elections.maryland.gov> their first and most reliable source for election information.

“Democracy depends on informed voters,” DeMarinis added. “By reporting disinformation and sharing accurate information, Marylanders are defending the very foundation of free and fair elections. Remember, the State Board is always ready and there to correct the record. Together, we can stop the spread of disinformation in elections.”



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Media Literacy Week is an annual observance that highlights the importance of critical thinking and responsible engagement with media and information. It encourages people to evaluate the information they encounter, check sources, and share accurate facts to help strengthen democracy and civic engagement.

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