

ALABAMA VOTER REGISTRATION ADVISORY BOARD NOTES

-Meeting Minutes-

January 15, 2026

2:00 PM

624 Washington Ave., Montgomery, AL 36104

Members present were Chairman John Lackey, Dr. Benjamin Jones, Eugenia Stone, Sydney Dean, Debbie Page, James Taylor, and Adonis B. Whitlow. Absent members were Kristie Pinyan. Candace Payne, Supervisor of Voter Registration was present to represent the Secretary of State's Office.

Call to Order/Roll Call/Acknowledgement of Quorum/Review of Minutes from 10/21/2025

Chairman John Lackey welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order. Member James Taylor led the invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance. Chairman Lackey acknowledged the attendance of seven members and affirmed that a quorum was present. Chairman Lackey acknowledged the notification of the meeting on Open Meetings was posted two weeks in advance. The minutes from the October 21, 2025 meeting were approved.

Old Business

Chairman Lackey addressed from the last meeting the need to add as a registration source in the voter registration system, the Health Department and said he will get with Candace Payne, from the Secretary of State on this to help facilitate with the Elections Systems and Software vendor.

There was a discussion about the updated Photo Voter Identification Application. Candace Payne provided members with draft of the application with their recommended changes. The board approved moving forward with the Alabama Secretary of State to help implement getting the new application printed.

New Business

Member Eugenia Stone mentioned Wilcox County Board of Registrars do not have working phones to assist the public. Member Adonis Whitlow mentioned the Morgan County Board of Registrars had some equipment issues. Both members will speak with Candace Payne on these issues after the meeting.

Updates

Candace Payne discussed the December 2025 Monthly Voter Registration Statistics. She also let the board know that the 2026 Voter Guide and the 2026 Photo Voter ID Guide are now printed and available.

Next Meeting Date

The next meeting is set for Thursday, April 9, 2026, at 2:30 PM in the Archives Regions Room.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn was made and seconded; approved by all board members.

Meeting Adjourned at 2:35 PM