

ELECTION BOARD MINUTES

June 9, 2026

Those present at the public meeting of the Venango County Commissioners held in Room 100 of the Courthouse Annex:

Commissioner Samuel Breene
Commissioner Kenneth J. Bryan
Commissioner Timothy Heffernan
Dorothy "Dottie" Tawney, Chief Clerk
Laura O'Neil, Admin. Assistant
Rich Winkler, Solicitor
Jeannie Ritchey, Treasurer
Laura Anna, Elections
Justin Wolfe, HR
Michael Anderson, Fiscal
Amie Wood-Wessell, Human Services

Kara Kauffman, Park
Kelly Holden, Domestic Relations
Tahara Bish, Domestic Relations
Amy McCracken, Domestic Relations
Jeremy Coyer, Pastor
Randy Bartley, Explore
Karter Hoffman, Guest
Brooke Hoffman, Guest
Shelly Walters, Guest
Vince Witherup, Election Board

Pastor Jeremy Coyer of Christ Covenant Church, Franklin, said the invocation before the meeting.

All rose and said the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. Commissioner Breene called the meeting to order at 4:33 p.m.
2. Commissioner Heffernan made a motion to approve the minutes from the May 12, 2026 meeting, seconded by Commissioner Bryan, aye all.
3. There was no public comment on the Election Board Agenda.
4. Election Board Items for Consideration: Election Updates
 - a. Voter Registration Statistics
 - b. The 2026 Primary Election has been certified. 6422 Voters Participated, 20.77%
 - c. Laura Anna will present at a FLEX event regarding running for public office
5. There was no other business.
6. Public Comment: Interim Election Board Member Vice Witherup commented that he has been involved with many elections, and regardless of how high or low the voter turnout is, the same work needs to be done. He said that the election ran like a well-oiled machine and Election Director Laura Anna deserves a round of applause.
7. The meeting adjourned at 4:36 p.m. upon a motion by Commissioner Heffernan, and seconded by Commissioner Bryan, aye all.

Respectfully submitted,



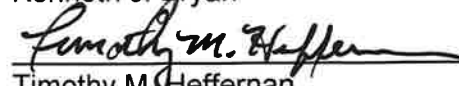
Laura O'Neil
Administrative Assistant

Reviewed by:

Vince Witherup, Election Board



Kenneth J. Bryan



Timothy M. Heffernan