

# BOARD OF ELECTIONS

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## MEETING MINUTES Tuesday, January 6, 2026

The January 6, 2026 meeting of the Houston County Board of Elections was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Chairman Andrew Bennett.

Members of the Board Present: Andrew Bennett, Chairman  
Henry Childs, Vice Chairman  
Sherman Falana, Member  
Pamela Morgan, Member

Member(s) of the Board Absent:

Member(s) of the Staff Present: Debra Presswood, Registration/Election Supervisor

Visitor(s):

Chairman Andrew Bennett called for the approval of the January 6, 2026 agenda. A motion was made by Pamela Morgan, Member, and seconded by Henry Childs, Vice Chairman, to approve the January 6, 2026 agenda. The motion carried.

Chairman Andrew Bennett called for the approval of the November 7, 2025 meeting minutes. A motion was made by Henry Childs, Member, and seconded by Sherman Falana, Member, to approve the November 7, 2025 meeting minutes. The motion carried.

### REGISTRATION/ELECTION SUPERVISOR REPORT:

The 2026 Georgia Voter Registration and Election Official (GAVREO) Conference is March 22, 2026 – March 25, 2026.

Qualifying Period for all candidates for the 2026 General Election Cycle is March 2, 2026 – March 6, 2026. This information is displayed at the top of the 2026 Election Calendar.

A request for the 2026 qualifying fees has been forwarded to the Commissioners. The fees will be published by February 1, 2026 on the Board of Elections webpage and in the Houston Home Journal. Also, the qualifying fees and information will be forwarded to the local parties, Democrat and Republican.

Logic and Accuracy testing for the upcoming election, January 20, 2026, is complete.

Please review the 2026 Election Calendar.

Board Members were given the following:

- January 6, 2026 Agenda
- Meeting Minutes for November 7, 2025
- Registration Numbers as of January 6, 2026
- Election Calendar – 2026
- A copy of the Call for Special Election, January 20, 2026
- Managers & Assistant Managers for the Special Election, January 20, 2026
- Notice of Special Election with Houston County's Election Day Polling Locations that will be open Election Day
- Early Voting Calendar

**Old Business:**

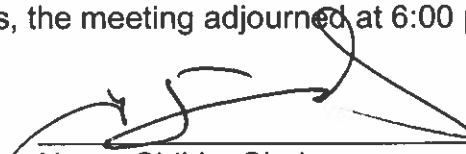
**New Business:**

A motion was made by Pamela Morgan, and seconded by Andrew Bennett, that the 2026 Board Chair be Henry Childs and the 2026 Vice-Chair be Sherman Falana. Motion carried.

Board Members attending the 2026 GAVREO Conference will be Andrew Bennett and Sherman Falana.

The next board meeting will be on February 3, 2026 at 5:30 p.m.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.



Henry Childs, Chairman  
February 3, 2026



Debra Presswood, Secretary

This meeting was conducted in accordance with the Georgia Meeting Provisions of Title 50, Chapter 14 of Georgia Code.