



WARRICK COUNTY ELECTION BOARD

FEBRUARY 19, 2026 MINUTES

1. MEETING DETAILS

Meeting Leader: Paul Rudolph, President of the Election Board

Secretary: Michael Wilson, Clerk

Location: Warrick County Commissioners' Meeting Room, 107 West Locust Street, Suite 301, Boonville, IN 47601

2. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Paul Rudolph at 11:02 AM.

The meeting agenda, Vote Center Plan and prior meeting minutes were distributed to Board Members

3. ROLL CALL

A quorum was confirmed with the following members in attendance:

- Paul Rudolph, President
- Nancy Woolsey, Vice-President
- Mike Wilson, Clerk/Secretary

No recorded absentees. All members were present.

4. APPROVAL OF PRIOR MEETING MINUTES

Minutes from the January 15, 2026 and February 6, 2026 were presented for approval. Paul asked for a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Nancy made a motion, Mike seconded, vote to approve carried 3-0. A signature page was passed for Election Board members to sign.

5. DISCUSS 2026 VOTE CENTER PLAN

The Election Board went page by page looking at the changes made so far on the Vote Center Plan. On page 3, Paul wanted to make sure the numbers for the population of Warrick County and the number of registered voters were correct. Paul stated if the registered voters are more than 50,000, on page 4, the minimum of Vote Centers will need to be changed to 6. Paul wanted to point out other counties the size of Warrick County typically has 11-12 Vote Centers and Warrick has 17 so we are well in excess of the average. Paul stated there was an acronym on VCAC on page 5 and at this time no one knew what it stood for. Paul stated we can just take it out since we are not really sure what it is. Paul wanted to take out the word 'new' on page 8 as in the new Vote Center paradigm. Paul felt it is no longer new since we have had Vote Centers now for 4 years. Paul stated he has contacted WIKY twice to get the Election Board on the morning show, but is waiting on a return call. On page 9, Paul wanted to make sure the new facilities were ADA compliant. Paul stated he felt pretty confident Friedman Park was good. From the Attachment C, Paul stated to use the 48,352 for the number of registered voters on page 3. Paul asked if there was any more discussion or changes that need to be done to the Vote Center Plan. Mike stated once the Plan is approved it will need to go Commissioner's and Council for approval and that is where the remaining Attachments will come from. Discussion was had for the Election Board to have a short meeting on March 2 to approve the Vote Center Plan before the County Council

meets on March 3, and have it ready for the next Commissioner's meeting. Discussion was had and the next meeting was set for March 2, at 1:30 pm in the Election Office

6. ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

- a. MIKE – Mike informed the Election Board that on April 1 @ 11 am. MicroVote will be here for our public test of the machines. Mike stated on that same day, early voter worker training will be around 1 pm. Paul verified with Mike the training will be done by MicroVote and David Shelton. It was discussed the Election Board has to be present for the public test. Cindy Warren, from the audience, had a question regarding the training if there would be an evening session as in the past. Discussion was had about training and getting packets to Cindy & Connie. Mike stated he was still working with Auditor as to what will be needed.
- b. NANCY – Nancy asked if we need to inform the voters for absentee ballots about how the mail goes from the Boonville Post Office to Louisville and not wait until the last minute to mail the ballot back. Paul said we are still struggling with how we are going to publicize anything and this should be added to the list. Paul asked if we could put something on the Clerk's website about allowing a week for ballot delivery. Angie Childress from the Election Office, stated when people call and request applications, she does tell them to make allowances for the mail since the mail goes to Louisville before coming to the Election Office. Angie said she also informs callers they can go Indianavoters.in.gov and request a ballot.
- c. PAUL – Paul stated the one question he had was about split shifts if we will be doing this. Mike stated he talked a little bit about this with Payroll and other Counties. Discussion was had regarding how the shift would be split and payroll. Mike asked Cindy Warren what she thought about it. Cindy stated she doesn't encourage it but it is nice to have it allowed. Cindy was asked if she had enough workers for the Primary. Cindy stated no, since the training dates and times had not been set. Mike went back and stated in the January 15, 2026 minutes there was training set for 2 different days with one in the morning and afternoon and another with afternoon and evening, being March 26 and March 31. Discussion went back to split shift. Angie stated we had to make an allowance one time because a worker fell ill and had to leave. Paul said let's say no for now, but if the Republican and Democratic recruitment say they can't find enough people, the Election Board can reopen it. Discussion was had about voting to have high school students working, but with Hall Pass it is a law so ¹⁰vote is needed. Paul feels the Election Board has a beat on training, locations, and the Vote Center Plan, but still needs to focus on how many machines and how many poll workers will be needed at each location which he stated could be talked about in a March meeting. Nancy stated another thing to talk about is the transportation of all the equipment. Mike stated it is spelled out and it could be discussed at the March 2 meeting. Paul feels with the spreadsheet that was provided; he could crunch some number to see how many machines. Mike stated another thing that needs to be discussed is advertising.

7. OTHER ITEMS

Discussion was had previously in the meeting to have the next meeting on Monday, March 2, 2026 at 1:30 pm. The meeting will be held in the Warrick County Election Office.

8. PUBLIC COMMENT

Cindy Warren – Cindy stated with the Indiana Bill that could pass to limit early voting at the 'North Pole' to start on April 20, could Ohio Township time be changed to start at this time. Mike stated the Township already has a few functions scheduled, so early voting could not be added on there. Paul stated he didn't want to spend the extra money to open up Lynnville early.

Don Julian – Don asked about the ‘North Pole’ being ADA accessible with the ramp to the door and the bathroom not being accessible. Mike stated we do not have to have a public bathroom. Paul stated that we need to be aware that a disabled worker would not be able to work at the ‘North Pole’ due to no bathroom. Don then asked about having a public bathroom for people who are voting. Mike stated no not at the Clerk’s specified location per the email he received from Valerie attorney for the State Election. Don stated he wanted to again bring up about ICE being at the polling locations. Don stated ICE police don’t have jurisdiction in the state of Indiana. Paul asked Mike if he has heard anything about ICE. Mike stated he hasn’t heard anything. Paul stated during training we might want to touch on it and we don’t want any type of potentially physical confrontations.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Paul asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion was made by Nancy, seconded by Mike, motion carried 3-0.

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APPROVAL SIGNATURE PAGE

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Paul Rudolph, President	Date
	
Nancy Woolsey, Vice-President	Date
	
Michael Wilson, Secretary	Date