



**SHELBY COUNTY ELECTION COMMISSION
REGULAR COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES**

May 21, 2026

The Regular meeting of the Shelby County Election Commission (SCEC) was held on May 21, 2026, at the O.C. Pleasant Jr. Operations Center, 980 Nixon Dr., Memphis, TN 38134, at 4:00pm. This meeting was recorded on Facebook live.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: By Chairman Luttrell at 4:03pm.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT CONSTITUTING A QUORUM: Commissioners Luttrell, Wharton, Possel, Shaw and Uhlhorn.

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Linda Phillips, AOE	Peg Watkins
Joe Young, DAOE	Shaundra Hubbard
Ronnie Faulkner, Staff	Rose Ann Bradley
Monice Hagler, Attorney	Cherie Pyron
Jacob Swatley, Attorney	Monte Belew
Stanita Gaddy, Staff	Ivy Belew
Will Boyd, Staff	Mary Williams
Erma Carter, Staff	Arthur Williams
Matt Sherrill, IT	Janay Jeans, KQ

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Rose Ann Bradley

MOTION TO ELECT CHAIRMAN FOR THE 2025-2027 TERM:

MOTION STATED: Commissioner Possel motion to approve the minutes.

SECONDED BY: Commissioner Uhlhorn.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Motion Carried: Luttrell, yea; Wharton, yea; Possel, yea; Shaw, yea; Uhlhorn, yea.

APPROVAL OF April 22, 2026, REGULAR MEETING MINUTES:

MOTION STATED: Commissioner Possel motion to approve the minutes.

SECONDED BY: Commissioner Wharton.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Motion Carried: Luttrell, yea; Wharton, yea; Possel, yea; Shaw, yea; Uhlhorn, yea.

APPROVAL OF THE U.S. CONGRESSIONAL CANDIDATE:

MOTION STATED: Commissioner Uhlhorn motion to approve the minutes.

SECONDED BY: Commissioner Possel.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Motion Carried: Luttrell, yea; Wharton, yea; Possel, yea; Shaw, yea; Uhlhorn, yea.

CERTIFICATION OF MAY 5, 2026, PRIMARY ELECTION:

MOTION STATED: Commissioner Uhlhorn motion to approve the minutes.

SECONDED BY: Commissioner Possel.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Motion Carried: Luttrell, yea; Wharton, yea; Possel, yea; Shaw, yea; Uhlhorn, yea.

AUTHORIZATION TO HIRE OUTSIDE COUNCIL IF NEEDED:

MOTION STATED: Commissioner Uhlhorn motion to approve the minutes.

SECONDED BY: Commissioner Shaw.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Motion Carried: Luttrell, yea; Wharton, yea; Possel, yea; Shaw, yea; Uhlhorn, yea.

RECESS FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION 4:39**RECONVENE 4:53****CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS:**

The election cycle was really gratifying to see the team work at each site. There is a reason we receive as a state and as a county high mark for the integrity of our elections; it reflects the teamwork that takes place. Well done to the staff and all the workers.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT:

No business to report.

ADMINISTRATORS REPORT:

We have reconciled and certified the election. We have completed the redistricting process to the point that we have sent the files to our VR vendor. We will begin building the ballot with the new district. We hope to have this done by June 3rd, 4th, or 5th.

OLD BUSINESS – ITEMS FROM COMMISSIONERS:

Commissioner Possel made comments on the things that can be improved upon during a Shelby County election. The dedication of all the poll workers is commendable in making sure everything is up and running on time. The collective knowledge of all the volunteers, all the staff and all the poll workers is commended. Outstanding job for all the trainers, staff and administration and the commissioners for a job well done. Communication between poll workers and the staff throughout election day is commended. Excellent teamwork. It was encouraging to see that party politics did not divide anybody during election day. We are all working together for the same common goals. I was impressed by all the teamwork and professionalism when a box was left at a polling location. Mistakes can happen. That speaks to the leadership on how these things are handled. Leadership, staff poll workers and community leaders all worked together to resolve the issue quickly and respectfully. This speaks volumes to the shared commitment of election integrity. Excellent work by everybody involved.

Poll workers asked for user friendly guidance on equipment. There are a lot of forms to fill out when the commissioners are documenting the provisional ballots, please add an extra column on the form.

Commissioner Wharton is encouraged that the numbers trended up for the election. Good job managing a good election.

Commissioner Uhlhorn welcomes Commissioner Shaw. He appreciated Commissioner Possel's assessment of the election. The new machines help the commission run smoother than they did 5 years ago.

Commissioner Shaw commented that the staff has been amazing during my onboarding. Election day was quite fascinating to watch all the people and pieces moving in sync with one another, it was truly inspiring. I went to seventeen polling locations on election day; everyone was so excited about the process. As you said Mr. Chairman, we must get more people engaged in the political process. Whatever we can do as commissioners to help with that is what we need to do.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn by Commissioner Uhlhorn, seconded by Commissioner Shaw, 5:15pm.



Mark Luttrell, Jr., Chairman 6-17-26
Date



Andre' Wharton, Secretary 6-17-26
Date



Candidates for United States House of Representatives as of May 18, 2026

This list does not include candidates who did not file, have withdrawn, did not have enough signatures, were disqualified by the political party as not being bona fide, or otherwise have not met the qualifying criteria.

District 4

Candidate	Party	City
Thomas E. Davis	Republican	Morrison
Scott DesJarlais	Republican	Sherwood
Joshua James	Republican	Murfreesboro
Harold "Rocky" Jones	Republican	Manchester
Victoria Broderick	Democratic	Fayetteville
Mike Cortese	Democratic	Nashville
Cliff Huffman	Democratic	Sewanee
Tim Lanier	Democratic	Nashville
Joyce E. Neal	Democratic	Antioch
Jacob Kristopher Anders	Independent	Tullahoma

District 5

Candidate	Party	City
Charlie Hatcher	Republican	College Grove
Andy Ogles	Republican	Columbia
Yolanda Cooper-Sutton	Democratic	Memphis
DeVante R. Hill	Democratic	Bartlett
Rachel Hurley	Democratic	Memphis
Carrie Ann Iacomini	Democratic	Memphis
Chaz Molder	Democratic	Columbia
James A. Johnson	Independent	Memphis
Micheál (Me-Haul) O'Leary	Independent	Nashville



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District 8

Candidate	Party	City
David Kustoff	Republican	Germantown
Dewey Gordon Bryan	Democratic	Germantown
Jordan D. Hinders	Democratic	Arlington
Heidi Kuhn	Democratic	Cordova
Leonard Perkins	Democratic	Memphis
Adam D. Austill	Independent	Covington
Wendell "Wells" Blankenship	Independent	Memphis
Antonio Futch	Independent	Memphis
Pamela Jeanine "P." Moses	Independent	Memphis
Horace Taylor	Independent	Germantown
Henry J. Ward, III	Independent	Millington

District 9

Candidate	Party	City
Charlotte Bergmann	Republican	Memphis
Brent Taylor	Republican	Eads
Jeremy Thompson	Republican	Fayetteville
Todd Warner	Republican	Lewisburg
M. LaTroy A-Williams	Democratic	Memphis
London Lamar	Democratic	Memphis
Justin J. Pearson	Democratic	Memphis
Jim Torino	Democratic	Columbia
Dennis Clark	Independent	Memphis
Michelle Davis Head	Independent	Lewisburg

**CERTIFICATION OF ELECTION RESULTS
FOR THE REPUBLICAN PRIMARY ELECTION
HELD MAY 5, 2026**

We, the undersigned members of the **Shelby County Election Commission**, do hereby certify that we held a **Republican Primary Election** on **Tuesday, May 5, 2026**, in the voting precincts in this county, according to law, for the purpose of electing a party nominee for the offices of **County Mayor, County Commissioner Districts 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10,11,12,13, Assessor of Property, County Trustee, Sheriff, Circuit Court Clerk, Criminal Court Clerk, Juvenile Court Clerk, Probate Court Clerk, County Clerk, Register of Deeds**, and that we have canvassed the returns of said election as required by law, and we do hereby certify that the following 51 pages of tabulation are a true, correct, and complete accounting of the results by precinct and county of said election as established by the canvassing of the returns, this **21 day of May, 2026**.

At least three (3) commissioners must sign below:


Chairman, County Election Commission


Secretary, County Election Commission


Member, County Election Commission

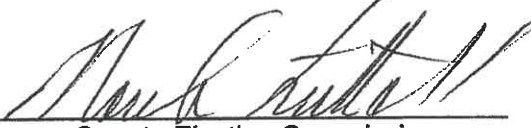

Member, County Election Commission


Member, County Election Commission

**CERTIFICATION OF ELECTION RESULTS
FOR THE DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY ELECTION
HELD MAY 5, 2026**

We, the undersigned members of the **Shelby County Election Commission**, do hereby certify that we held a **Democratic Primary Election** on **Tuesday, May 5, 2026**, in the voting precincts in this county, according to law, for the purpose of electing a party nominee for the offices of **County Mayor, County Commissioner Districts 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10,11,12,13, Assessor of Property, County Trustee, Sheriff, Circuit Court Clerk, Criminal Court Clerk, Juvenile Court Clerk, Probate Court Clerk, County Clerk, Register of Deeds**, and that we have canvassed the returns of said election as required by law, and we do hereby certify that the following 56 pages of tabulation are a true, correct, and complete accounting of the results by precinct and county of said election as established by the canvassing of the returns, this **21** day of **May, 2026**.

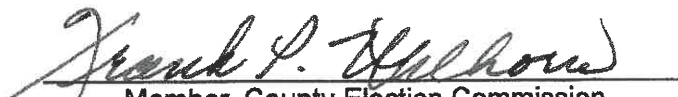
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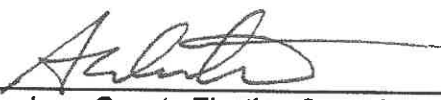
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**CERTIFICATION OF ELECTION RESULTS
FOR THE MEMPHIS SHELBY COUNTY
REPUBLICAN PRIMARY ELECTION
HELD MAY 5, 2026**

We, the undersigned members of the **Shelby County Election Commission**, do hereby certify that we held a **Republican Primary Election** for the **Memphis Shelby County School Board** on **Tuesday, May 5, 2026**, in the voting precincts in this city of Memphis, according to law, for the purpose of electing a party nominee for the offices of **School Board District 1,6,8,9**, and that we have canvassed the returns of said election as required by law, and we do hereby certify that the following 4 pages of tabulation are a true, correct, and complete accounting of the results by precinct of said election as established by the canvassing of the returns, this **21** day of **May**, **2026**.

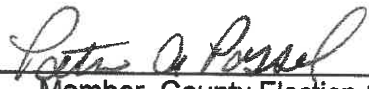
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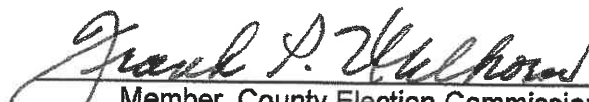
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FOR THE MEMPHIS SHELBY COUNTY
DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY ELECTION
HELD MAY 5, 2026**

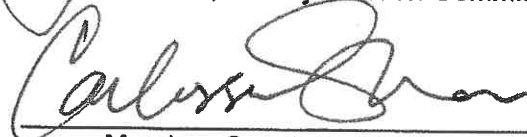
We, the undersigned members of the **Shelby County Election Commission**, do hereby certify that we held a **Democratic Primary Election** for the **Memphis Shelby County School Board** on **Tuesday, May 5, 2026**, in the voting precincts in this city of Memphis, according to law, for the purpose of electing a party nominee for the offices of **School Board District 1,6,8,9**, and that we have canvassed the returns of said election as required by law, and we do hereby certify that the following 5 pages of tabulation are a true, correct, and complete accounting of the results by precinct of said election as established by the canvassing of the returns, this **21 day of May, 2026**.

At least three (3) commissioners must sign below:


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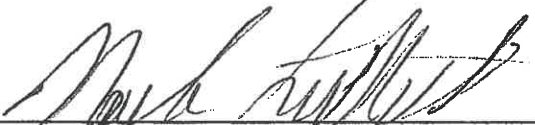

Member, County Election Commission


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**CERTIFICATION OF ELECTION RESULTS
FOR THE CITY OF ARLINGTON
REPUBLICAN PRIMARY ELECTION
HELD MAY 5, 2026**

We, the undersigned members of the **Shelby County Election Commission**, do hereby certify that we held a **Republican Primary Election** for the **Arlington School Board** on **Tuesday, May 5, 2026**, in the voting precincts in this city of Memphis, according to law, for the purpose of electing a party nominee for the offices of **School Board District 1,3,5**, and that we have canvassed the returns of said election as required by law, and we do hereby certify that the following 2 pages of tabulation are a true, correct, and complete accounting of the results by precinct of said election as established by the canvassing of the returns, this **21** day of **May**, **2026**.

At least three (3) commissioners must sign below:



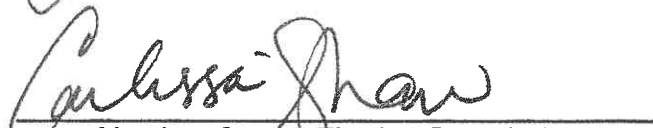
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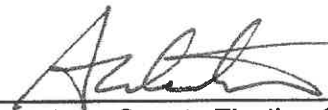
**CERTIFICATION OF ELECTION RESULTS
FOR THE CITY OF ARLINGTON
DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY ELECTION
HELD MAY 5, 2026**

We, the undersigned members of the **Shelby County Election Commission**, do hereby certify that we held a **Democratic Primary Election** for the **Arlington School Board** on **Tuesday, May 5, 2026**, in the voting precincts in this city of Memphis, according to law, for the purpose of electing a party nominee for the offices of **School Board District 1,3,5**, and that we have canvassed the returns of said election as required by law, and we do hereby certify that the following 2 pages of tabulation are a true, correct, and complete accounting of the results by precinct of said election as established by the canvassing of the returns, this 21 day of **May, 2026**.

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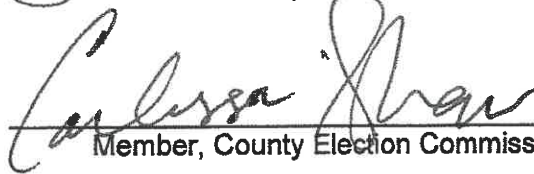
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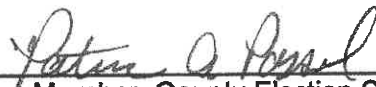
Secretary, County Election Commission



Member, County Election Commission



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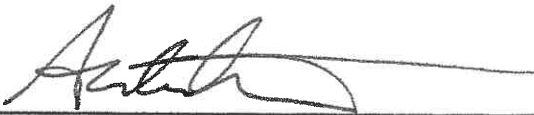
**CERTIFICATION OF ELECTION RESULTS FOR THE
CITY OF GERMANTOWN REFERENDUM ELECTION
HELD MAY 5, 2026**

We, the undersigned members of the **Shelby County Election Commission**, do hereby certify that we held a **Proposed Charter Amendment Referendum Election** for the **City of Germantown** on **Tuesday, May 5, 2026**, in the voting precincts in this city, according to law, for the purpose of ratifying the referendum question hereinafter, and that we have canvassed the returns of said election as required by law, and we do hereby certify that the following 2 pages of tabulation are a true, correct, and complete accounting of the results by precinct of said election as established by the canvassing of the returns, this **21st day of May, 2026**.

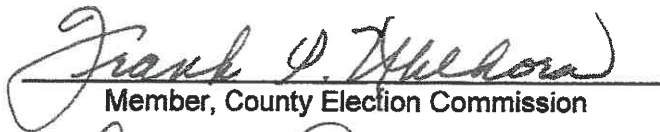
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**RESOLUTION TO HIRE OUTSIDE LEGAL COUNSEL TO REPRESENT THE
ADMINISTRATOR OF ELECTIONS IN HER OFFICIAL CAPACITY
IN PENDING LITIGATION.**

WHEREAS, Pamela Jeanine Moses has filed litigation against the SCEC Administrator of Elections in her official capacity;

WHEREAS, these legal proceedings are styled *Pamela Jeanine Moses v. Bill Lee et. al.*, 2:26 – CV 2533 (United States District Court Western District of Tennessee) ("Pending Litigation");

WHEREAS, the Office of the Tennessee Attorney General represents Bill Lee, Cameron Sexton, Jack Johnson, and Mark Goins in their official capacity because the Pending Litigation attacks a state law pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 2-12-101(c)(2);

WHEREAS, the SCEC desires to hire and pay for outside counsel to represent the Administrator of Elections in her official capacity in the Pending Litigation.

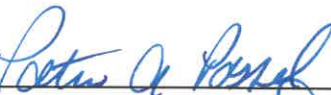
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SHELBY COUNTY ELECTION COMMISSION, that the SCEC is authorized and approved to hire John Burleson of Rainey Kizer Reviere & Bell PLC to represent Administrator of Elections Linda Phillips in her official capacity in the Pending Litigation.

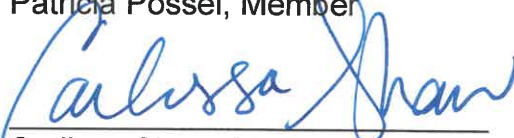
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Administrator of Elections Linda Phillips is authorized and approved to execute an engagement letter and any other necessary documents necessary to consummate the legal representation in the Pending Litigation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the SCEC shall bear all reasonable and necessary compensation, costs, and expenses for the legal representation of Administrator of Elections Linda Phillips in her official capacity in the Pending Litigation.


Mark Luttrell, Chairman


Andre Wharton, Secretary


Patricia Possel, Member


Carlissa Shaw, Member


Frank Uhlhorn, Member

Adopted: 5/21/26