CENTRALINA REGIONAL COUNCIL

Board of Delegates Meeting Minutes – May 13, 2026

Delegate/Alternate Present		Jurisdictions with Delegate/Alternate Present
Crystal	**Buchaluk**	Town of Indian Trail
Lori	**Clay**	Town of Concord
Charlie	**Council**	Town of Badin
Michael	**DeLulio**	Town of Waxhaw
Tom	**Eck**	Village of Marvin
T. Scott	**Efird**	Stanly County
Nick	**Gallo**	Town of Pineville
Kenny	**Godwin**	Town of Love Valley
Martha Sue	**Hall**	City of Albemarle
Jamie	**Hammill**	Town of Misenheimer
Felina	**Harris**	Town of Troutman
Naomi	**Hatchell**	City of Kannapolis
Jimmy	**Holmes**	Town of Rockwell
Tony	**Long**	Town of Mint Hill
Elaine	**Powell**	Mecklenburg County
Autumn	**Rierson-Michael**	Town of Davidson
Shane	**Robinson**	Town of Lowell
Shawn	**Rush**	Town of East Spencer
David	**Scholl**	Town of Stallings
Lauren	**Shoemaker**	Town of Mount Holly
Pat	**Sledge**	Town of Spencer
Heather	**Smallwood**	Town of Huntersville
Amelia	**Stinson-Wesley**	Town of Pineville

Jennifer	**Teague**	Town of Harrisburg
Jarvis	**Woodburn**	Anson County
Kenny	**Wortman**	Cabarrus County

Call to Order

Chairman David Scholl, Town of Stalling, called the meeting to order.

Pledge of Allegiance

Delegates stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Amendments to the Agenda

There were no amendments to the agenda.

Regular Agenda

Item 1: Raleigh Relations Update: Property Tax Reform

Chairman David Scholl introduced Kelly Weston to present the Raleigh Relations Update, which focused on current activity in Raleigh following the start of the short session. Weston also previewed the interactive activity planned for the Board during the Centralina Open House. Weston then introduced Sarah Principe, who discussed land use flexibility, the budget process and property tax authority with the Board. Weston concluded by sharing upcoming Board engagement opportunities, including a strategic engagement session, the North Carolina Association of Regional Councils Legislative Day in Raleigh on May 19-20. Principe also discussed preparation for the 2027 state and federal legislative meetings. Chairman David Scholl wrapped by noting that relationship building with our state's legislators is the best way to advocate for our region.

Confirmation of Quorum

Consent Agenda

Chairman Scholl noted that a quorum was achieved with the arrival of a commissioner.

Item 2: Approval of the February 11, 2026, Meeting Minutes - Board of Delegates Annual Meeting

Item 3: New Centralina Membership Approval – Town of Mount Pleasant

Approval:

Chairman Scholl called for a motion to approve the consent agenda. Council Member Wes Hartsell, of Norwood, approved of the motion. Mayor Pro Tem, Martha Sue Hall, of Albemarle seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Regular Agenda Continued.

Item 4: Centralina Forum: Navigating Growth: Trends & Tools for our Region

Centralina Director Lynne Hair introduced INSPIRE, a new tool that helps local leaders understand and respond to regional growth using clear, consistent and locally relevant data. Hair then introduced Lela James and Joyce Liu, who explained how INSPIRE works and the types of data it provides. James noted that the tool can support delegate decision-making and community conversations about growth trends, including population, demographics, housing costs, development activity and building permit data. James then invited delegates to discuss in small groups the growth pressures most visible in their communities and consider the question: If current trends continue, what will be your biggest challenge in five to 10 years? Each group shared brief highlights from its discussion. Senior Director Joyce Liu also reviewed Centralina's regional growth report, which is available on the Centralina website.

Item 5: Centralina Open House & FY27 Workplan Engagement

Centralina Executive Director, Geraldine Gardner, shared the FY27 Workplan including Centralina's Mission and Vision and the current year Goals which are 1. Collaborate to prepare, plan and act on issues that respond to today's needs and tomorrow's opportunities. 2. Strengthen capacity, efficiency and innovative practice to improve quality of life and enhance economic opportunity. 3. Cultivate relationships to advance regional awareness, collaboration and impact. 4. Invest in the talent and infrastructure needed to support Centralina as a high performing, highly desirable place to work. Lastly Gardner gave a brief overview of the annual open house.

*Davidson Delegates asked for feedback from any delegate who is having issues with E-Bikes in their community.

Comments from the Chairman

Chairman Scholl shared with the Board that the next Executive Board meeting will be held on June 10th, and the next Board of Delegates meeting will take place on August 12, 2026

Adjournment

With no further business to be discussed, Chairman Scholl adjourned the meeting to the Open House. At 6:20 p.m.