

Anne Arundel County Board of Canvassers
 7320 Ritchie Highway, Suite 200
 Glen Burnie, MD 21061
 December 9, 2008 Minutes

Envelope did not contain a ballot	5	6	5	16
Other: Ballot received without an envelope.			9	9

Federal Write-In Absentee Ballots – Rejection Reason	# of Ballots			
	Abs 1	Abs 2	Today	Total
State absentee ballot was received	0	0	0	0
No signature on declaration	0	76	0	76
No absentee ballot application	0	18	0	18
Not registered voter	0	14	0	14
Late for election	0	1	0	1
Voted wrong ballot style	0	0	0	0
Used agent and ballot envelope was not sealed	0	0	0	0
Voter cancelled	0	0	0	0
Voter deceased	0	0	0	0
Voter is convicted felon	0	0	0	0
Identifying mark on ballot	0	0	0	0
Voted more than one FWAB	0	0	0	0
Board Action	0	6	0	6

Provisional Ballots – Rejection Reasons	# of Ballots
Applicant is not registered to vote	425
Applicant voted ballot in wrong election district/ward	318
Applicant returned a voted absentee ballot or already voted	10
Applicant voted the wrong party primary ballot (primary elections only)	0
No signature on application	104
Applicant not eligible to receive a provisional ballot	11
Identification or DL# or SS# was not timely received	1
Incomplete information was provided on application	5
Identification was received but did not satisfy the identification requirements	1
No provisional ballot in envelope	2
No evidence to support alleged voting unit malfunction	0
Identity challenge was upheld	0
Order extending voting hours was invalidated	0
Other – explain	0

NEXT BOARD OF CANVASSERS' MEETING

If additional absentee ballots are received, the Board of Canvassers will convene before the next Board meeting of the Anne Arundel County Board of Elections. The next Board meeting is scheduled for February 10, 2009 at 10:00 A.M. at the Anne Arundel County Government Office Building, 7320 Ritchie Highway, Suite 200, Glen Burnie, Maryland.

ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Barr made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Platt seconded the motion and the motion was passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 10:15 A.M.

Meeting of the Anne Arundel County *Board of Elections*, Anne Arundel County Government Office Bldg., Glen Burnie, Maryland.

Attendees:

Barbara Fisher, Board President
Jeremiah Brandt, Board Secretary
K. Jill Barr, Board Member
Matthew Platt, Jr., Board Substitute
David Shade, Board Substitute
James Praley, Board Attorney
Joseph A. Torre III, Director
David Garreis, Deputy Director

After establishing the presence of a quorum, Mrs. Fisher called the meeting to order at 10:15 A.M.

Minutes

The Board reviewed the October 22, 2008 Board Meeting Minutes, the October 22, 2008 Public Logic and Accuracy Minutes, the November 4, 2008 Minutes for the Swearing in of the Board of Canvassers, and the November 14, 2008 Board Meeting Minutes. The Board noted that the November 4, 2008 Minutes for the Swearing in of the Board of Canvassers should be amended to show Mr. Praley was sworn-in with the Board of Canvassers. Mr. Shade made a motion for the approval of the minutes as amended. Mr. Platt seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Correspondence

The Board reviewed correspondence including:

- Correspondence from the State Board of Elections:
 - The *Registrar*, Volume 3, Number 20;
 - The *Registrar*, Volume 3, Number 21;
 - The *Registrar*, Volume 3, Number 22;
 - County Bulletin, Volume 4, Issue 29;
 - County Bulletin, Volume 4, Issue 30;
 - County Bulletin, Volume 4, Issue 31;
 - County Bulletin, Volume 4, Issue 32;
 - County Bulletin, Volume 4, Issue 33; and
 - County Bulletin, Volume 4, Issue 34.
- Correspondence from the Anne Arundel County Ethics Commission:
 - *Ethics Update*, September 2008, Issue 44; and
 - *Ethics Update*, December 2008, Issue 45.

2008 Presidential General Election

Mr. Torre thanked the 14 permanent staff and 60 temporary staff for all of the dedication and effort that contributed to the success of the 2008 Presidential General Election in Anne Arundel County.

The Board expressed their thanks and appreciation for the commitment and hard work of the staff to make the 2008 Presidential General Elections successful.

Budget

Mr. Torre informed the Board of the following:

- The Board of Elections has received instructions for constructing the 2010 Budget.
- The County has instituted a spending freeze for travel, training, information technology, and equipment purchases.
- All Departments are required to provide budget reduction plans detailing a 2% budget reduction, a 5% budget reduction and a second 5% budget reduction. Mrs. Fisher noted that such drastic cuts could jeopardize the success of an election if continued into an election year.

Additions to the Agenda

The Board reviewed the following:

- December, 2008 VR-017 Political Party Report;
- December, 2008 VR-013 Monthly Statistical Report; and
- Three Election Administration Reports.

After discussion, the Board moved to change the hours of operation for the Board of Elections. Mr. Shade made a motion to align the Board of Elections office hours of operation with those of the County. Therefore, the Anne Arundel County Board of Elections will change its hours of operation to 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Ms. Barr seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

The Board discussed a proposal to align the holidays observed by the Anne Arundel County Board of Elections with the holidays observed by Anne Arundel County. The Anne Arundel County Board of Elections currently observes all state holidays. The Board decided to defer a decision until after consulting with the feasibility of a change in the observance of State holidays with the State Board of Elections.

January Meeting

The Board canceled the January meeting of the Anne Arundel County Board of Elections.

February Meeting

The next scheduled meeting of the Board of Elections will be held on February 10, 2009 at 10:00 a.m.

Adjournment

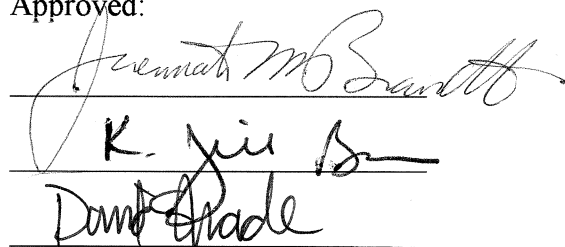
Mr. Shade made a motion to adjourn at 11:00 A.M. Mr. Platt seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted



David Garreis
Recording Secretary

Approved:



- cc: State Board of Elections
- Board Members
- County Executive
- County Council Members
- County Council Office
- County State Delegation
- Budget Office