

Anne Arundel County Board of Canvassers
6740 Baymeadow Drive, Glen Burnie, MD 21060

September 13, 2018 – Minutes for Post-Certification Canvass

ATTENDEES:

Board of Canvassers: Brenda J. Yarema, Board Secretary, Republican
Tryphena A. Ellis-Johnson, Board Member, Democrat
Laura Graham, Board Member, Republican

LBE Staff: James Praley, Board Attorney
Joseph A. Torre III, Director
David E. Garreis, Deputy Director
Janie Quartucci, Election Supervisor II
Sharon Thomas, Recording Secretary

Absent: William G. Voelp, Board President, Republican
John Ensor, Board Vice President, Democrat

DECLARATION OF QUORUM PRESENT

The meeting of the Board of Canvassers began at 8:40 A.M. on September 13, 2018 at the Anne Arundel County Board of Elections' Board Room, located at 6740 Baymeadow Drive, Glen Burnie, MD 21060. There was a quorum of the Board of Canvassers, and at least one member of the Board of Canvassers who is a registered voter of the principal minority party was present.

CONFIRMATION OF OATH

Robert P. Duckworth, the Clerk of the Court for Anne Arundel County, administered and recorded the oath of each member of the Board of Canvassers on June 7, 2018. Substitute members of the Board of Elections were also sworn-in on the same day.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF OFFICERS

At its meeting on June 28, 2019, the Board of Canvassers elected Mr. Voelp to serve as Chairman of the Board of Canvassers and Mr. Ensor to serve as Secretary for the Board of Canvassers.

PUBLIC NOTICE OF CANVASS

Mr. Torre noted that public notice of the post-certification canvass was provided. The agenda was posted in the lobby of the Anne Arundel County Board of Elections and posted on the Board of Elections website.

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Torre presented the minutes from the Absentee 1 Canvass, Provisional Canvass, and Absentee 2 Canvass. Mrs. Yarema made a motion to approve the minutes. Mrs. Graham seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

CANVASSING

Overview of Canvass Process

Mr. Garreis explained the rules concerning public observation of the canvass, provided an overview of the canvassing process, and noted that the rules were posted in the canvass room. Mr. Garreis explained the process to provide information to the Board of Canvassers or challenge a decision of the Board.

Canvassing of Absentee Ballots

Mrs. Quartucci reported that 9 absentee ballots were received after the certification of the election. Mrs. Yarema made a motion to reject these absentee ballots as being untimely. Mrs. Graham seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

CANVASSING STATISTICS

Mr. Garreis reported that 1,930 absentee ballots were presented for canvassing, 39 absentee ballots were rejected for being untimely, and 7 absentee ballots were rejected during the canvasses.

Mr. Garreis submitted the following statistics for rejected absentee and provisional ballots.

State Absentee Ballots – Rejection Reason	# of Ballots				
	Abs 1	Prov	Abs 2	Today	Total
Ballot was late for election	0	0	30	9	39
No signature on oath	0	1	2	0	3
Voter died before election day	0	0	0	0	0
More than one ballot in same envelope	0	0	0	0	0
More than one ballot received but one was counted	0	0	0	0	0
Identifying mark on ballot	0	0	1	0	1
Used agent and ballot envelope was not sealed	0	0	0	0	0
Unsealed envelope & indication that integrity compromised	0	0	0	0	0
Not registered voter	0	0	0	0	0
No absentee ballot application on file	0	0	0	0	0
Regular ballot received & rejected FWAB	0	0	0	0	0
Envelope did not contain a ballot	1	0	0	0	1
Other AB1: One ballot because the signature on the oath was a different name than the	1	0	1	0	2

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printed name. AB2: Ballot returned without meeting sufficient ID requirements					
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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	0	0	0
No absentee ballot application	0	0	0	0
Not registered voter	0	0	0	0
Late for election	0	0	0	0
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	0	0	0

Provisional Ballots – Rejection Reasons	# of Ballots
Applicant is not registered to vote	43
Applicant returned a voted absentee ballot or already voted	2
Applicant voted the wrong party primary ballot (primary elections only)	134
No signature on application	5
Applicant not eligible to receive a provisional ballot	244
Identification or DL# or SS# was not timely received	0
Incomplete information was provided on application	0
Identification was received but did not satisfy the identification requirements	0
No provisional ballot in envelope or more than one ballot in envelope	7
No evidence to support alleged voting unit malfunction	0
Identity challenge was upheld	0
Order extending voting hours was invalidated	0
Identifying mark on the ballot	0
Applicant is not or will not be 18 years old or older by the general election	2
Proof of residency was not timely received	2
Proof of residency was received but did not satisfy the requirement	0

NEXT BOARD OF CANVASSERS' MEETING

If additional absentee ballots are received, the Board of Canvassers will convene at the next meeting of the Anne Arundel County Board of Elections. The next Board Meeting will be held on October 18, 2018 at 8:30 A.M., at the Anne Arundel County Board of Elections, 6740 Baymeadow Drive, Glen Burnie, MD 21060.

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ADJOURNMENT

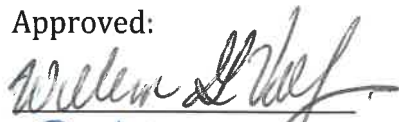
The meeting was adjourned at 9:50 A.M.

Respectfully Submitted,



Sharon Thomas
Recording Secretary

Approved:



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