

Baltimore County Board of Canvassers  
106 Bloomsbury Avenue  
Baltimore, Maryland 21228

December 11, 2014

*Approved*  
*2/12/2015*

**POST-CERTIFICATION MINUTES**

**ATTENDEES:**

<b>Board of Canvassers:</b>	Bruce Harris, President	Democrat
	Joseph Karey, Secretary	Republican
	Jeanne Turnock, Substitute	Republican
	Timothy Hickman, Substitute	Democrat

<b>LBE Staff:</b>	Andrew Bailey, Board Counsel
	Katie A. Brown, Director
	Rena' M. Waggoner, Deputy Director
	Ruie Marie Lavoie, Administrative Officer

<b>Absent:</b>	Leronia Josey, Vice President	Democrat
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**DECLARATION OF QUORUM PRESENT**

The meeting of the Board of Canvassers began at 10:49 am on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2014 at the office of the Baltimore County Board of Elections on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor of the Bloomsbury Community Center located at 106 Bloomsbury Avenue in Catonsville, Maryland. 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**

James McCormick, the Clerk of the Court for Baltimore County, administered and recorded the oath of each member of the Board of Canvassers on November 6, 2014. Substitute members of the Board of Elections were also sworn-in on the same day.

**PUBLIC NOTICE OF CANVASS**

Katie Brown noted that the public notice of this canvass was provided and that the notice was provided by written notice on the Agenda for the Board meeting and by posting written notice in the lobby of the office of the Board of Election and on the Baltimore County website.

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**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Ruie Lavoie presented the minutes from the Absentee 1 Canvass, Provisional Canvass, and Absentee 2 Canvass. There were no changes or additions to the Minutes. Joseph Karey made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Timothy Hickman seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

**CANVASSING**

Overview of Canvass Process

Katie Brown 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. Katie Brown explained the process to provide information to the Board of Canvassers or challenge a decision of the Board.

Canvassing of Absentee Ballots

Katie Brown reported that 7 absentee ballots were received after the certification of the election and one absentee ballot was surrendered at the polls and placed in a precinct supply bag. Joseph Karey made a motion to reject 6 absentee ballots as being untimely and 1 ballot for being surrendered at the polls and was untimely. Timothy Hickman seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

**CANVASSING STATISTICS**

Katie Brown reported that 7 absentee ballots were presented for canvassing and 7 absentee ballots were rejected for being untimely.

Katie Brown submitted the following statistics for rejected absentee and provisional ballots.

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State Absentee Ballots - Rejection Reason	# of Ballots			
	Abs 1	Abs 2	Today	Total
Ballot was late for election	0	69	7	76
No signature on oath	10	1		
Identifying mark on ballot	2	2		4
Regular ballot received & rejected FWAB		1		1
Envelope did not contain a ballot	3			3
Surrendered at the Polls	2	3		5
Voted more than one ballot	1	1		2
Ballot Undeliverable		63		63
Incorrect Ballot/Board Action	1			1

Federal Write-In Absentee Ballots - Rejection Reason	# of Ballots			
	Abs 1	Abs 2	Today	Total
State absentee ballot was received		1		1
No absentee ballot application		2		2

Provisional Ballots - Rejection Reasons	# of Ballots
Applicant is not registered to vote	271
Applicant returned a voted absentee ballot or already voted	19
No signature on application	8
Applicant not eligible to receive a provisional ballot	7
Identification or DL# or SS# was not timely received	5
Incomplete information was provided on application	16
Identification was received but did not satisfy the identification requirements	2
No evidence to support alleged voting unit malfunction	7
Identifying mark on the ballot	5
Voter Underage	9

**NEXT BOARD OF CANVASSERS' MEETING**

If additional absentee ballots are received, the Board of Canvassers will convene after the next meeting of the Baltimore County Board of Elections. The next meeting will take place on January 8, 2015 at 9:45 am in the office of the Baltimore County Board of Elections located on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor of the Bloomsbury Community Center at 106 Bloomsbury Avenue in Catonsville, Maryland.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 10:58 am.