

**PRINCE EDWARD COUNTY
ELECTORAL BOARD**

P.O. Box J
Farmville, Virginia 23901

CANVASS MINUTES

DATE: June 9, 2021

PURPOSE: Electoral Board Business Meeting

PRESENT:

Members: Mr. Charles Puckett, Chairman Mrs. Rachel Duggar, Vice Chair and Secretary
Gwendolyn Akers-Booker.

Others In Attendance: General Registrar Lynette Wright along with Caitlin Bryant. The meeting was held in the Registrar's office.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None

The Canvass Meeting was called to order by Mr. Charles Puckett, Chairman at 8:40 am. The Electoral Board Members received one Provisionals that will be reviewed on Friday, June 11th during the Late Ballot Count which is a new requirement by law. Late ballots can only be accepted until 12 Noon on Friday, June 11th.

Next on the agenda, we discussed Voting Precincts Counts. All were accurate with the number of votes called in on the night of Election. During the night of the Election, Unofficial numbers were entered on the State Website as received.

After reviewing the numbers from the actual Precincts, we moved on to the CAP Mail-in and Early Voting totals and they were accurate as reported. Envelopes that were able to be taken to the Clerks Office were taken by the EB Board Members.

We, the Electoral Board extend our sincere Condolences to the Clerk of the Circuit Court during the Death of her husband Mr. Billy Coe. Mr. Coe was an outstanding man as he would help to support us with delivery of our Election equipment and had done so for the past several years. May you Rest In Peace Billy and we will miss you dearly. Lynette Coe, may you find peace in knowing that we are here to support you if needed.

The Electoral Board Canvass Meeting adjourned at 10:30 am and we will reconvene on Friday, June 11th at 12:00 noon as required by State Law to allow Late Voting Ballots to be returned to the Office of General Registrar.

With no further to do, the Canvass adjourned at 10:30 am and will reconvene to review Late Ballots if received by 12 Noon on Friday, June 11th.

Gwendolyn S. Akers-Booker

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Electoral Board Secretary

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Reconvened Meeting from Wednesday, June 9, 2021

DATE: June 11, 2021

PURPOSE: Electoral Board Business Meeting

PRESENT: Mr. Charles Puckett, Chairman Mrs. Rachel Duggar, Vice Chair and Secretary
Gwendolyn Akers-Booker.

Others In Attendance: General Registrar Lynette Wright along with Caitlin Bryant. The meeting was held in the Registrar's office.

The Electoral Board Members reconvened, and the meeting was called to order by Secretary, Gwendolyn S. Akers-Booker. We were able to accurately report that there was a total of 5 Late Votes that were received by Noon on June 11th with only 4 of them being counted. Upon receipt of these votes, they were accurately added to the State Website for the Department of Elections. After finalization of all counts, documentation of all envelopes were delivered to the Clerk of Circuit Court by 1:30 pm. The Secretary was able to sign the statements indicating that the information delivered to the Clerks Office was accurate as received.

As we returned to the Voter Registration Office, the next item to discuss was Sunday Voting. Upon receipt of a letter from Mr. Taikein Cooper, Chairman of the Democratic Party that was dated April 31st, we were able to review this information with reference to being open the two Sundays prior to an Election. We, the Electoral Board for Prince Edward feel that Sunday Voting would not be needed as we have Absentee Voting by mail, Early Voting In Person which is 45 Days prior to any election and we are also open on the last two Saturdays prior to any Election. There is a lot of effort in making sure that Precincts have all the necessary information on each and every day of that an Election is held. We do the best we can to make sure that accuracy of all printouts are intact as deliveries are made prior to the day of Election. The Electoral Board and the Office of General Registrar strive to make sure that all current laws in place are carried out to the best of our ability and funding for extra time is not currently available. During the June Primary we only had 139 Voters report early during the 45 days prior of which 13,500 who could have voted. During the actual day of the Primary Election, June 8th there were only 1000 voters county-wide total who voted out of 13,500. As far as Sunday Voting is concerned, we feel that all who choose to vote have sufficient enough time to cast their ballots.

Ms. Lynette Wright, General Registrar; Caitlin Bryant, Assistant to GR and Ms. Gwen Akers-Booker, Electoral Board Secretary continued to process the necessary papers and all required papers were signed, sealed, and submitted to the State as required by Law.

We wish to thank our Poll Workers, Office Staff; Support Staff and others who help to make the Early Voting, the June 8th Election and the Late Voting a success.

With no further to do, we the Electoral Board Members considered the Reconvened Meeting to be adjourned at 2:30 pm.

Gwendolyn S. Akers-Booker

Electoral Board Secretary