

**PRINCE EDWARD COUNTY
ELECTORAL BOARD**

P.O. Box J
Farmville, Virginia 23901

CANVASS MINUTES

DATE: November 3, 2021

PURPOSE: Electoral Board Business Meeting

PRESENT:

Members: Mr. Charles Puckett, Chairman Mrs. Rachael Duggar, Vice Chair and Secretary Gwendolyn Akers-Booker; General Registrar Lynette Wright along with Caitlin Bryant, Deputy Registrar.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: Ms. Diana Shores, Representative of the Republican Party

The Canvass Meeting was called to order by Mr. Charles Puckett, Chairman at 8:40 am. After calling the meeting to order, we asked that those from the public would be excused as we go in Closed Session at 9:10 am so that we could discuss the Provisionals that were delivered to us on Election Night. At that time redacted copies of the Provisional logs were made available to the public. Upon completion of this review, the meeting was then opened to the public at 10:30 am.

Upon opening of the meeting after closed session, we were able to review all information with regards to votes that were called to the General Registrar's Office on the night of the election. After reviewing each precinct, we had to count the number of write-ins as reported for candidates who did not qualify to have their names on the ballots. All precincts were accounted for, paperwork completed and signed as required. There were minor discrepancies between what was written and with what was called in the night of the election verses the day of Canvass as the numbers were reviewed.

We are very proud of our Poll Workers as they had a very challenging 45-day of Early Voting to get behind them and then work their precincts on election day.

Next on the agenda, we discussed Voting Precincts Counts. All locations were accurate as reported on the Website and these numbers are unofficial as we have to wait until Friday, November 5, 2021 at Noon to further proceed with the finalization of all information. After announcements were made we reminded those who called that the numbers provided were Unofficial numbers and they will be shown on the State Website as provided.

After reviewing the numbers from all 10 Precincts, we moved on to the CAP Mail-in and In Person Early Voting totals and they were accurate as reported. Once this was completed, envelopes that were able to be taken were delivered to the Clerk of Circuit Court Office by the EB Board Members.

The Electoral Board will reconvene on Friday, November 5th at 1:00 to complete the Final Canvass and Provisional votes as required by State Law. Valid Late Ballots received by the Office of The General Registrar postmarked on or before Election Day and received by Noon on November 5, 2021 will be counted and reviewed at this time by the Valid Late Ballot team. With no further to do, the Electoral Board Canvass Meeting adjourned at 2:45 pm and will reconvene to review Valid Late Ballots at 1 on Friday, November 5th.

Gwendolyn S. Akers-Booker

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Electoral Board Secretary

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Reconvened Meeting from Wednesday, November 3, 2021

DATE: November 5, 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 and Ms. Diana Shores, Representative from the Republican Party

The Electoral Board Members reconvened, and the meeting was called to order by Secretary, Gwendolyn S. Akers-Booker at 1:15 pm. We were able to accurately report that there was a total of 14 Valid Late Ballots that were received before/by Noon on November 5th with only 12 Valid ballots 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 envelopes regarding Valid Late ballots, the Electoral Board Meeting was adjourned with deliveries 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 Clerk's Office was accurate as received.

The Early Voting process was outstanding as the workers did a great job for the 45-day processing period prior to the November 2nd Election. There were 1,446 individuals from all Precincts that voted during the Early Voting 45 day Period. There were 621 ballots by mail and a total of 12 ballots during the Valid Late Voter processing. My heart goes out to those who worked during this time frame as there were 5 different ballot styles that had to be processed. After finalizing In-person; By Mail, Valid Late and the actual Election Day totals, there were 7,143 individuals who voted. The Total number of Voters registered account to 13,286 of which only 54% voter turnout. To review all the results, you may access this by logging on to www.elections.virginia.gov for 2021 Election Results by locality.

Ms. Lynette Wright, General Registrar; Caitlin Bryant, Deputy GR and Ms. Gwen Akers-Booker, Electoral Board Secretary continued to process the necessary paperwork that comes along with any election. After entry of all data into the State Department of Elections Website, Abstracts were verified and printed. The Chairman and Vice-Chairman returned around 4:30 pm to affix the signatures to all documents and then All required papers were signed, sealed, and submitted to the State as required by Law.

We wish to sincerely thank our Poll Workers, Office Staff; Support Staff and others who help to make the Early 45 Day Voting, November 2nd Election Voting and the Late Voting process a success.

With no further to do, we the Electoral Board Members considered the Reconvened Meeting to be successful

and we wish each and everyone a Safe and Happy Thanksgiving.

Gwendolyn S. Akers-Booker

Electoral Board Secretary