

**PRINCE EDWARD COUNTY
ELECTORAL BOARD**

P.O. Box J
Farmville, Virginia 23901

CANVASS MINUTES

DATE: November 8, 2023

PURPOSE: Electoral Board Business Meeting

PRESENT:

Members: Charles Puckett, Chairman, Michele Schumacher, Vice Chair and Secretary Gwendolyn Akers-Booker; General Registrar Lynette Wright along with Caitlin Childress, Deputy Registrar.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: There was one visitor Mrs. Diana Shores, Chairman of Republican Party.

The Canvass Meeting was called to order by Mr. Charles Puckett, Chairman at 9:00 am. After calling the meeting to order,

Upon opening of the meeting, 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. Upon review of the information received from each precinct, all locations were accounted for and there was one discrepancy between what was called in on the night of the election verses the day of Canvass. We are very proud of our Poll Workers. Thanks to all who helped to support the 45-day Early Voting and Election Day Precincts. This election was super steady at each polling location and there was a constant flow from beginning to end.

Next on the agenda, we discussed Voting Precincts Counts. All locations were accurate as reported on the Website and these numbers are unofficial until the finalizing of all information by Monday, November 13, 2023 at Noon as we proceed to review unofficial counts. Unofficial numbers were provided to those who were in the lobby on the night of the election and we informed them that they will be shown on the State Website which is www.elections.virginia.gov,

After moving forward from the 10 Precincts, we moved on to CAP By Mail-in and Early Voting totals and they were accurate also as reported on the night of election.

We, the Electoral Board recessed on Wednesday, November 8th at 6:30 pm and will reconvene on Thursday, November 9, 2023 for further processing of the 2023 General Election.

Gwendolyn S. Akers-Booker

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Reconvened Meeting Thursday, November 9, 2023

DATE: November 9, 2023

PURPOSE: Electoral Board Business Meeting

PRESENT: Charles Puckett, Chairman Michele Schumacher, Vice Chair and Secretary
Gwendolyn Akers-Booker. Lynette Wright, General Registrar and Caitlin Childress

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: Mrs. Patsy Watson, Chair of the Democratic Party

The Electoral Board Members reconvened, and the meeting was called to order by Charles Puckett, Chairman, at 9:05 am.

First on the agenda was the minutes of the October board meeting. After reviewing the minutes, a motion was made by the Chairman and seconded by the Secretary. Minutes stands approved as read. Minutes will be posted to the website by our GR. Mr. Charles Puckett, Chairman, Michele Schumacher, Vice-Chairman and Gwendolyn Akers-Booker, Secretary then moved forward to affix the Board signatures to documents that were needed to further process the General Election. These documents were signed, sealed, and transported to the Office of Clerk of Circuit Court by Gwendolyn Akers-Booker, Secretary of the Electoral Board and a designee and these documents were accounted for during this time frame.

Next, we the Electoral Board then proceeded with hand counting of the write-ins that were done on election day for the two positions for Soil & Water along with School Board Seat for District 8. This was a long drawn out process as there were 1199 hand write ins for Soil and Water and then there were 89 write ins for School Board District 8. Along with the write-ins where no one was on the ballot, 1441 we then had to go back and hand count the

Write-ins for each and every position that was contested and this caused us to work a long and lengthy day and night. After the process of tallying for the Soil & Water, School Board District 8, we recessed at 6:30 pm and will reconvene on Monday, November 13, 2023 at 12:00 Noon in order to give the CAP workers time to process the late Provisionals and all other matters pertaining the EV by mail process.

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Reconvened Meeting Monday, November 13, 2023

DATE: Monday, November 13, 2023
PURPOSE: Electoral Board Business Meeting
PRESENT: Charles Puckett, Chairman Michele Schumacher, Vice Chair and Secretary
Gwendolyn Akers-Booker. General Registrar Lynette Wright along with Caitlin Childress.

The meeting was held in the Registrar's office and no participation from the community was present. The Electoral Board Members reconvened from the November 9th meeting, and the meeting was called to order by Charles Puckett, Chairman, at 12:05 pm.

We were able to accurately report that there was a total of 6 mail in ballots to be processed and after CAP processed the EV Votes that were received by Noon on November 13th with all of them being counted. Further processing was the Provisionals with a total of 36 and Upon receipt of these votes, they were appropriately added to the State Website for the Department of Elections.

With the finalization of all counts along with proper documentation of envelopes regarding late ballots, the Electoral Board Meeting was adjourned with final deliveries to the Clerk of Circuit Court. The Secretary was able to sign the statements indicating that the information delivered to the Clerk's Office was accurate as delivered. The Clerks Office also had to sign by initializing and counting all the envelopes as delivered and required. To review all the results, you may access this by logging on to www.elections.virginia.gov for 2023 Election Results.

Ms. Lynette Wright, General Registrar; Caitlin Bryant, Deputy to GR and Ms. Gwen Akers-Booker, Electoral Board Secretary continued to process the necessary paperwork that comes along with any election. Entry of all data into the State Department of Elections Website, Abstracts were verified and printed. The Chairman, Vice-Chairman along with the Secretary signed all documents required. With the appropriate signatures, Paperwork was then signed, sealed, and submitted to the State as required by Law as final. Certificates for position and all certificates will be processed by the Electoral Board Secretary and delivered to the Clerk of Circuit Court on or before December 7th. From this point, all persons will be notified by the General Registrar as she will inform them to finalize all paperwork required and upon completion of proper documentation may contact the Clerk of Circuit Court to be sworn in.

With no further to do, we the Electoral Board Members considered the Reconvened Meeting to be successful. With a motion by Michele Schumacher and seconded by Gwendolyn Akers-Booker the meeting adjourned at 4:30 PM.

Gwendolyn S. Akers-Booker, Electoral Board Secretary
