

Powhatan County Electoral Board
Canvass of Election for November 2022
November 9, 2022 & November 14, 2022

Present:

Nancy Ayers, Chair

Jo Goodman, Vice Chair

Frank Flannagan, Secretary

Guest:

Katherine Waycaster, Powhatan County Democratic Committee Representative

Jean Gannon, Powhatan County Republican Committee Representative

Wednesday ~ November 9, 2022

The Powhatan County Electoral Board meeting was called to order at 10:22 am.

Director of Elections, Karen Alexander stated she had received 88 Same Day Registration (SDR) Ballots and Provisional Ballots. The SDR ballots cannot be counted until November 14, 2022. The Virginia Department of Elections needs to have all localities to upload their voting information into the system to verify that no SDR had voted in another county or city election.

A motion was made, seconded and approved to move into the canvass of each precinct's vote totals.

The EB and Director of Elections had a discussion and decided that Michael Edwards' write-in campaign had secured enough votes to reach the 10% threshold required by law to be a qualified write-in candidate and would be included in the report to state elections board.

A motion was made and passed to recess for lunch at 1 pm and reconvene at 1:45 pm.

The Electoral Board, along with staff, reconvened at 1:45 pm to continue the canvassing of votes from the remaining precincts. After completing the canvass and reviewing all the paperwork from the different precincts, a motion was made to go into closed session to discuss provisional ballots.

Vice Chairwoman Goodman moved that the Powhatan County Electoral Board go into closed meeting from the public, pursuant to section § 24.2.653 (B) of the Code of Virginia for the purpose of considering provisional ballots. The motion was seconded. Ayes 3 Nays 0.

Closed Session: 2:15 pm

The Board reconvened into open session at 3:10 pm

Vice Chairwoman Goodman moved that the Powhatan County Electoral Board certify that in the closed session just concluded, the only matters discussed were qualifications of the provisional voters, as directed by section §24.2.635 of the Code of Virginia, and as identified in the motions to close the meeting pursuant to the Virginia Freedom of Information Act.

Secretary Flannagan provided the second and roll was called.

Chairwoman Ayers, voted Aye, Vice Chairwoman voted Aye and Secretary Flannagan, voted Aye.

Secretary Flannagan made a motion to recess to receive any additional ballots by mail until the 12-noon deadline, November 14th in the Village Building, and to complete all necessary paperwork. The motion passed. Ayes 3 Nays 0.

Monday~ November 14, 2022

Chairwoman Ayers reconvened the Electoral Board meeting at 12:15 pm. All Electoral Board members and the Director of Elections, Karen Alexander, were present.

Guest present: Katherine Waycaster

The Director of Elections stated she had received 12 additional ballots by mail that met the legal criteria for acceptance and were ready to be counted. The 11 ballots were hand counted and 1 was rejected. The totals were added to the final tabulation.

The Vice Chairwoman moved that we go into closed session for the purpose of discussing Same Day Registration Provisional Ballots under section §24.2.653 of the Code of Virginia.

Ayes 3 Nays 0

Closed Session: 1:25 pm

The EB reconvened back into open session and a motion made by Vice Chairwoman that the Powhatan County Electoral Board certify that in the closed session just concluded, the only matters discussed were the qualifications of provisional voters, as directed by Section §24.2.653 of the Code of Virginia and as identified in the motion to close the meeting pursuant to the Virginia Freedom of Information Act.

Secretary Flannagan seconded and called the roll.

Chairwoman Ayers, voted Aye

Vice Chairwoman Goodman, voted Aye

Secretary Flannagan, voted Aye

The SDR Provisional Ballots were run through the voting scanner for tallying by Karen Alexander, Director of Elections.

The voting scanner tabulation was reviewed by the Electoral Board and guest, signed and certified that all ballots had been processed.

The final tabulations of votes were submitted to the Department of State Elections.

Secretary Flannagan moved to adjourn the Canvass meeting at 5.12 pm. All EB members voted in favor.



Frank Flannagan, Secretary Powhatan County Electoral Board