



VOTER REGISTRATION AND ELECTIONS DEPARTMENT ELECTORAL BOARD MEETING

March 6, 2024

Members present: Arlene-Secretary; David-Vice Chair; Anita-Chair

The meeting was called to order by the chair at 10:00 AM.

Approval of the agenda: Vice Chair David made a motion to approve the agenda. Secretary Arlene seconded the motion. The Chair called for an amendment to the agenda with her additions. No one would second the amendment change. The Chair called for the vote on the agenda as posted. David-yes; Arlene-yes; Anita-no. The motion carried.

Secretary Arlene made a motion that the Pittsylvania County Electoral Board be recessed, and the Board reconvene in a Closed Meeting per code VA § 2.2-3711 and 24.2-653 for the purpose of reviewing provisional ballots. Vice Chair David seconded the motion. Chair called for the vote: David-yes; Arlene-yes; The motion carried, and the Board entered a closed session at 10:17 AM. The board reconvened an open meeting at 11:23 AM to certify the closed session per VA § 2.2-3712. A roll call vote was taken to certify to the best of their knowledge (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under this chapter and (ii) only such business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened was heard, discussed, or considered in the meeting by the Board: David-yes; Arlene-yes; Anita-yes.

At 11:24 AM, the Electoral Board began the canvass of the March 6, 2024 Presidential primaries. The Electoral Board recessed from 12:30 to 1:00 PM. At 1:02 PM, the board reconvened to proceed with the canvass.

Vice Chair David made a motion to go back into closed session per code VA §2.2-3711 and §42.2-653 for the purpose of reviewing additional provisional ballots. Secretary Arlene seconded the motion and the motion carried. The Board reconvened back into an open meeting at 4:59 PM to certify the closed session per Virginia Code §2.2-3712 that to the best of their knowledge (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under this chapter and (ii) only business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened was heard, discussed, or considered in the meeting by the Board: David-yes Arlene-yes Anita-yes

Vice Chair David made a motion to go into a recess from the canvass until Friday March 8, 2024, at 3:00 PM. David- yes Arlene-yes, the motion carried.

Public comments: Kathy Ramsey made comments about the election.

The minutes from the following meetings were read. Minutes from the following minutes were approved: October 10, 2023, October 31, 2023, November 8, 2023, February 6, 2024, and February 12th, 2024. The Chair opposed approval of all the minutes that were read, but the minutes were approved by a majority vote.

The Electoral Board continued the canvass on March 8, 2024, at 3:04 PM. There was a total of twenty-nine provisional votes that were approved and counted by the board.

Vice-Chair David made a motion to that we go into recess from the canvass at 4:21 PM. Secretary Arlene seconded the motion. The motion carried. Vice-Chair David made a motion to amend the agenda to address the accusations about there being inadequate election officers to cover the precincts and wanted to include precinct assignments. Secretary Arlene seconded the motion. The motion carried. Vice Chair David asked the Chair about the facts behind her accusations made to the County Attorney, J. Vaden Hunt, of precincts being understaffed for the Presidential primary elections, but she refused to respond.

Vice Chair David moved we go into recess at 4:47PM and Secretary Arlene seconded the motion. The motion died.

Chair Anita wanted to review all rejected absentee ballots. The documentation was reviewed for reasons for their rejection and all procedures were followed.

Abstracts were signed by the Electoral Board.

The meeting adjourned at 5:29PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Arlene "Tinker" Burkhardt/Secretary

Pittsylvania County Electoral Board

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