

MACON COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS  
Canvass Board Meeting, 18 November 2022

Participants: Director Melanie Thibault, Deputy Director Judy Fritts, Lynne Garrison, Gary Dills, Kathy Tinsley, John Vanhook and Jeff Gillette.  
Observers: Anne Hyder, Gary St Arnauld

Call to Order: The Chair called the meeting to order at 11 AM.

1. Minutes from 8 November 2022: Mr. Vanhook made a motion to accept the minutes as written. Ms. Garrison seconded the motion. Following discussion, the Board unanimously approved the minutes. Attachment 1
2. Review/Tabulation of Absentee/Supplemental Ballots: The Director provided 77 civilian ballots (including one cured ballot) and one overseas ballot which, when screened, appeared valid. She also provided one ballot envelope which did not have the required postmark. After review of the envelopes by the Board, Mr. Gillette made a motion to accept the 77 civilian ballots, and the one overseas ballot. His motion further stated that the Board not approve the one ballot without a postmark. Mr. Dills seconded the motion, and the Board unanimously approved the 77 civilian ballots and the one overseas ballot for a total of 78 valid ballots. The Director and Ms. Tinsley opened the ballot envelopes. Mr. Vanhook and Ms. Tinsley opened the polls with the tabulator reading zero. They entered the ballots into the tabulator. Once Mr. Vanhook and Ms. Tinsley entered all ballots, the tabulator count was 78. The Director closed the polls and printed the tapes with Ms. Tinsley and Mr. Vanhook overseeing.
3. Review/Tabulation of Provisional Ballots: The Director provided 61 Provisional ballots for Board review. Following review, Mr Dills made a motion to accept 32 provisional ballots and not to accept 29 Ballots (not registered, registered in another county were primary reasons). Ms. Garrison seconded the motion and the Board unanimously approved. Ms. Garrison and Mr. Vanhook opened the polls with the tabulator reading zero. Mr. Vanhook and Ms. Garrison opened the enveloped and entered the approved 32 provisional ballots. After they entered all ballots, the tabulator read 32. Mr. Vanhook and Ms. Garrison printed the tabulator tape and closed the polls.
4. UNITY entry: Mr. Gillette and Mr. Dills oversaw the Director entering the Supplemental and Provisional data into Unity. Mr. Dills and Mr. Gillette

checked the data, and the Director entered the data into the NC State Board of Elections database. Once the database uploaded to the public website, Mr. Dills and Mr. Gillette confirmed the correctness of the data.

5. Canvass Forms: The Director provided all required forms for review and signature by the Board. Each Board member reviewed the forms and signed. Once the Board signed all forms, the Chair declared the election results as official. Attachment 2
6. Invoices: The Director provide 28 invoices (Board pay, election contract expenses and precinct reimbursement for food) for review and signature. Mr. Dills reviewed the invoices and signed all on behalf of the Board. Attachment 3
7. Budget: The Director provided the latest budget report which reflected some costs of this election. The budget remains on track for the year. Attachment 4
8. Adjourn: Mr. Vanhook made a motion to adjourn until 14 December 2022 at 3 PM. Ms. Garrison seconded the motion and the Board unanimously approved. The Board adjourned at 1:05 PM.

#### Attachments

1. Minutes from 8 November 2022
2. Election Day canvass forms
3. Invoices (28)
4. Budget report

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