

Augusta County Electoral Board
Minutes of Canvass Meeting
Board of Supervisors Conference Room
Augusta County Government Center

Tuesday, April 23, 2024

- I. 1Called the meeting to order at 9:01am. Present were: Chair; Vic Ludlum; Secretary; Marcy Reedy; Director of Elections, Connie Evans; Deputy Registrar, Robin Moyer; and Assistant Registrar, Rebecca McMullen. From 10:00 am until 11:00 am representatives from American of Virginia joined the meeting - Barb Chambers and Raymond Chambers.
- II. A motion was made by Vic Ludlum and seconded by Marcy Reedy to dispense with the reading of the minutes.
- III. Reports of Electoral Board Officers
 - A. Vic reported that the County Attorney suggested that a letter did not need to be sent to a disruptive voter at Rolla and Fort Defiance but the individual needs to be asked to leave if she appears again and did not have business voting.
 - B. Board members will meet with the Augusta County Sheriff's Office to discuss security for upcoming elections
 1. It was suggested that early voting for Nov - particularly the Saturday voting days on Oct 26 and Nov 2 be put on the Sheriff's calendar.
- IV. Registrar's Office
 - A. It was reported that currently there are 604 absentee ballots to mail out and all deadlines will be met.
 - B. Emergency Polling locations - It was mentioned that Goose Creek, Wilson, Ladd and Buffalo Gap still need emergency locations identified. Marcy is going to reach out to a contact at Expo to explore it as an option for an emergency voting location.
- V. Old Business
 - A. American of Virginia - It was discussed what actions might be taken to support American of Virginia in delivering election equipment. Specifically it was discussed deadlines for having American of Virginia deliver the equipment and mark handicapped spots and procedures for them to confirm when all deliveries have been made.
 1. The request was made to have all equipment delivered by 4pm on Saturday. On Monday, it was requested that handicapped parking spots and ramps be installed. It was further requested that American of Virginia call the Registrar's office around 4pm on Saturday to confirm that deliveries have been made and any outstanding precincts that may still need attention.
 - B. Training Officer of Election - It was discussed the need to provide specialized training on provisional voting to a designated Officer of Election. It is felt that with same day voter registration the volume of provisional votes will increase to the point of being untenable for chiefs to handle. Discussion involved how an Officer of Election could be assigned to process all provisional votes as a separate position and that person would be responsible for fully filling out the provisional log and assisting voters in filling out their provisional vote. Additional training will need to be developed to support this role.
 1. It was decided that chiefs and assistant chiefs would be trained on June 3 and 10. New Officers would be trained on June 13. Provisional Officer could be trained the week of May 20 and/or May 27.
- VI. New Business
 - A. Approving new Officers of Elections
 1. Marcy moved and Vic seconded to add Dianne Pfizenmayer, Ann Rasor, Steven Barnhardt Mathew Olcott, and Joscelyn Hinegardner to the list of Officer of Election.
 - B. It was discussed the need to purchase two new "Early Vote Here" signs to place on route 11 to advertise early voting. Marcy is going to inquire about the purchase of new signs

and Vic is going to contact local businesses to see if they would allow us to place the signs.

- C. Discussion ensued around the need to gain access to the main doors for the precincts at Clymore Elementary and Stuarts Draft Elementary School. It was felt that a meeting with Dr. Bond would be helpful.
 - D. The need to recruit workers for election night help at the government center was discussed.
- VII. Scheduling next meeting - The next Electoral Board meetings were set up tentatively for May 22 at 9am and June 4th at 9am. It was also determined that canvas would start on June 20 for the June 18 primary due to the Juneteenth holiday.
- VIII. Meeting was adjourned at 12:46pm.