

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

**Friday, August 13, 2024**

I. Vic called the meeting to order at 9:00 am. Present were: Chair; Vic Ludlum; Vice Chair; Brenda vonSeldeneck; and Secretary; Marcy Reedy. A motion was made to approve the agenda for the meeting with all voting affirmatively

II. A motion was made by Brenda vonSeldeneck and seconded by Marcy Reedy to dispense with the reading of the previous minutes.

III. Reports from the Electoral Board

A. Vic mentioned that he spoke with Commissioner of Elections Susan Beals and that there are advisories from the Governor's Office to guide the upcoming election of which the Electoral Board should be aware..

B. Brenda had no updates.

C. Marcy had no updates.

IV. Registrar's Report – The Registrar submitted her report in writing. See attached.

A. 5 applicants have submitted applications for the part time Assistant Registrar position.

B. It was agreed that ballots in the amount of 110% of registered voters would be printed for the November election with the option of increasing that amount by 30% if demand requires. Marcy motioned to approve this ballot printing in the above amounts and Brenda seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

C. Training for in-person early voting will be September 19th with early voting commencing on Sept 20.

V. Unfinished Business

A. It was determined that additional signage was not needed for November as it was not previously budgeted. The idea was presented to use electronic signs to provide notification about early voting. The signs at Route 11 in Verona and Dominion Outdoors in Fishersville were presented as options.

VI. New Business

A. Approval of new election officers. The following new officers of election were approved: John White, Duncan Nuckols, Brian Sanderson and Sarah Borgatti and Bill Garvey. Marcy motioned to approve the officers and Brenda seconded. All voted affirmatively.

B. ADA Compliance Confirmation. All board members indicated willingness to sign the document after confirming accessibility.

C. Election security meeting. An agenda was discussed for the Aug 22 meeting including the process for managing voters carrying firearms into precincts and emergency response times.

D. Provisional ballot officer and training. - It was discussed the need for additional training around provisional ballots. Vic made a motion that a provisional ballot officer be requested for each precinct and that these officers receive specialized training. Marcy seconded the motion and all voted affirmatively. Provisional ballot officer trainings are proposed for Thu, Oct 17 and 24 at 6pm.

E. Training for Nov election. The following dates were proposed for training officers of election for the Nov 5 election: Mon -Oct 7 @ 6pm (Chiefs and AC), Mon - Oct 21 @ 6pm (Chiefs and ACs), Tue - Oct 22 @ 4pm and 6pm, Tue, Oct 29 @ 4 pm and 6pm, and Wed, Oct 30 @ 6pm.

F. Voter roll update. Update was available but not covered due to lack of time.

G. Batch comparison audit. - Discussion revolved around batch comparison audit and ballot polling audit. The State Board will be issuing a decision on how to proceed on the audit and the board will make preparations in advance. Vic motioned that a letter be written from the Electoral Board to the state board to promote the use of ballot of comparison audit to ensure complete transparency and promote confidence in elections. Brenda seconded the motion and all voted affirmatively.

H. Calendar review. - The Election Security Meeting is scheduled for Aug 22nd at 4pm and the next Electoral Board meeting is scheduled for Sept 10 am 9am.

VII. Comments by the public - there were no comments

VII. Adjournment - The meeting was adjourned at 11:24am and all voted affirmatively to adjourn.