

November 3, 2021

The Lancaster County Electoral Board met at the office of the General Registrar on November 3, 2021 to canvass the results of the November 2, 2021 election. In attendance were Barbara Breeden, Chairperson; Carol Biscontini, Vice Chair; Lee Pulling, Secretary; Susan Jett, General Registrar; Kelsey Zentmeyer, Deputy Registrar; and two observers, Michael Schoelwer and Brandon Frazier. Barbara Breeden called the meeting to order at 11:45am.

The first order of business was to canvass the provisional ballots.

Precinct 101: 2 provisional ballots – both voters lost their absentee ballots and the lost ballots were not received back into the registrar's office. Both provisional ballots were counted.

Precinct 401: 5 provisional ballots – voter number one lost their absentee ballot and the lost ballot was not received back into the registrar's office. The provisional ballot was counted. Voter number two name was not in the pollbook or registered in Lancaster County. The voter lived in Chesapeake, Va. and the provisional ballot was not counted. Voter number three name was not on the pollbook. The voter had registered at DMV on October 14, 2021 and the deadline for voter registration was October 12, 2021. The provisional ballot was not counted. Voter number four the same as voter number three above. The provisional ballot not counted. Voter number five name was not on pollbook and the voter was registered in Hampton City, Va. The provisional ballot was not counted.

Precinct 501: 3 provisional ballots – Voter number one stated they did not receive their requested absentee ballot and there was no record of their ballot received back into the registrar's office. Their provisional ballot was counted. Voter number two name was not on the pollbook and the voter was registered in Roanoke, Va. The provisional ballot was not counted. Voter number three name was not on the pollbook and the voter was registered to vote in Albermarle. The provisional ballot was not counted.

CAP: One ballot was left blank by a voter who left the Early Voting site, and their ballot voided. The voter returned weeks later to vote again and was offered a provisional ballot. The ballot was not counted. Voters can only vote once in each election and are not permitted to leave the precinct once they have been given a ballot, and return at a later time or date to vote.

The second order of business was to canvass the Statement of Results for CAP and the precincts. CAP was considered first. Pre-processing was performed on October 26, 30, 2021 and November 2, 2021 with a final CAP processing on November 5, 2021. Nine CAP ballots were rejected. The chief was called into the office to sign the SORs.

Precinct 101 – All paperwork, SORs, signatures and voter machine tapes were accurate and complete.
Precinct 201 – All paperwork, SORs, signatures and voter machine tapes were accurate and complete.
Precinct 301 and 302 paperwork incomplete and chiefs, assistant chiefs and election officers were called into the office to complete the paperwork.

The Electoral Board recessed for lunch at 12:34pm. The canvass was called back to order at 1:05pm by Barbara Breeden. All parties previously mentioned above returned to the meeting except Brandon Frazier.

Precinct 401 – All paperwork, SORs, signatures and voter machine tapes were accurate and complete.
Precinct 501 – One election officer missed signing the SOR and was called into the office for her signature. An elderly voter from RWC fell to the sidewalk outside and Dr. Glessner, Assistant Chief, rendered aid until the rescue squad arrived and took the voter to the hospital. Extensive time was taken to count, record and verify all the write in ballots for the Irvington Mayor position. Carol Biscontini called the winner to notify her of the results.

A discussion was held about when to meet to finalize the canvass. It was agreed to meet again on Monday, November 8, 2021 at 1:30pm. The party chairs will be notified of this date. Barbara Breedon moved to adjourn at 4:08pm and seconded by Carol Biscontini.

November 8, 2021

The Lancaster County Electoral Board met at the office of the General Registrar on November 8, 2021 to resume the canvass of the November 2, 2021 election. In attendance were Barbara Breedon, Carol Biscontini, Lee Pulling, Susan Jett and Kelsey Zentmeyer. Barbara Breedon called the meeting to order at 1:43pm.

Precinct 301 was revisited for signatures, SOR correction and completion of paperwork. Two election officer's signatures were still missing and they were again called into the office to sign the SORs. They came and signed while the Board continued working. Precinct 302 was revisited for signatures, SOR completion and correction of paperwork.

All of the canvass paperwork for the November, 2, 2021 election was completed and verified. The Abstract of Voters was completed and signed by all members of the Board.

A discussion was held by all present about concerns about some of the party representatives. Two precincts had issues with party representative interfering with the election officer's duties. It was felt that the precinct chiefs and election officers need to receive additional training on the Do's and Don'ts for party representatives and observers according to the Department of Elections. It was agreed that the chiefs do not have to tolerate behaviors that interfere with order, while conducting an election.

Barbara Breedon moved to adjourn at 3:57pm and was seconded by Carol Biscontini.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Biscontini and Lee Pulling