



## General Election – November 3, 2020

### CANVASSING BOARD MEETING Monday, November 2, 2020

County Judge Kenneth A. Gottlieb, Chair  
Michael Udine, County Commissioner  
Peter Antonacci, Supervisor of Elections

Also, in Attendance: Nathaniel A. Klitsberg, Counsel  
Mark Journey, Counsel

SOE Staff  
Mary Hall  
Tiawan McNeal  
Patricia Santiago

Convened: 4:00 p.m.

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

The Canvassing Board meeting was called to order by Judge Kenneth Gottlieb at 4:00 p.m.

Motion to approve minutes from last Canvassing Board meeting was granted by Canvassing Board members.

#### **BOARD TO CONSIDER VOTE-BY-MAIL BALLOTS**

Chief Deputy Mary Hall briefed Canvassing Board on Early Voting and Vote-by-Mail. Early Voting was available from October 19<sup>th</sup> through November 1<sup>st</sup> and 364,723 voters cast their vote during the Early Voting period. 461,665 Vote-by-Mail ballots were returned so far. A total of 826,388 voters have cast their vote already. 148,747 voters dropped their Vote-by-Mail ballot at Early Voting sites. Vote-by-Mail ballot drop-off is available at the Voting Equipment Center, Lauderhill and Main Office, Fort Lauderdale. Vote-by-Mail ballots cannot be dropped off at the precinct on election day. List Maintenance was done 2 years ago and voters had the opportunity then to update their signature using a mailing from the Supervisor of Election's office.

There are 190 Vote-by-Mail (VBM) ballots with no signature, 30 VBM ballots with signature differ, 53 VBM ballots signed by other than voter, 43 VBM ballots returned by voters that moved away. Staff members have been in contact with the counties where voters moved to and are waiting for counties to respond before presenting ballots to the Canvassing Board.

- Review of Vote-by-Mail Ballot Cure Affidavits
  - (16) Vote-by-Mail ballots returned with no signatures and voters submitted Cure Affidavit. Motion to approve (16) Vote-by-Mail ballots with Cure Affidavit and to tabulate was granted by the Canvassing Board Members.
  - (2) Vote-by-Mail ballots certificates returned with 2020 March Presidential Preference Primary Election ballot enclosed. Motion to acknowledge ballot was approved by Canvassing Board members.
  - (20) Vote-by-Mail ballot certificates returned with 2020 Primary Election ballot enclosed. Motion to acknowledge ballot was approved by the Canvassing Board members.
  - (31) Vote-by-Mail ballot certificates returned with no ballot inside. Board acknowledge ballots.
  - (2) Vote-by-Mail ballot certificates returned with out of state ballot enclosed. Board acknowledge ballots.
  - (1) Vote-by-Mail ballot returned from a Marg voter who did not include a copy of identification or Voter Certificate. Motion to reject ballot was approved by the Canvassing Board members.
- During Public Viewing (3) ballots were pulled for Canvassing Board review. Motion for ballots to be duplicated by hand was approved by Canvassing Board members.
- (3) Blank ballots presented to Canvassing Board members for review. Motion that ballots are blank was approved by Canvassing Board members.
- Voter Intent ballots were presented to the Canvassing Board members for review and determination.
- (62) Vote-by-Mail ballots already reviewed by the board for voter intent and duplicated were presented to Canvassing Board members to verify that ballots were duplicated correctly.
- Duplicated Vote-by-Mail ballots presented to the Canvassing Board members for review.

Nathaniel Klitsberg informed the Canvassing Board members of a pending litigation pertaining the Sheriff race.

#### **NEXT MEETING DATE**

The Canvassing Board members will recess until Tuesday, November 3, 2020 at 4:00 p.m.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business to be conducted, Judge Kenneth Gottlieb recessed the Canvassing Board Meeting at 5:20 p.m. to reconvene on Tuesday, November 3rd.