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## General Election – November 5, 2024

### CANVASSING BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, October 29, 2024

#### IN ATTENDANCE:

##### Canvassing Board Members

County Judge Deborah Carpenter-Toye, Alternate Chair  
County Commissioner Michael Udine  
Joe Scott, Supervisor of Elections

##### SOE Staff

Mary Hall, Chief Deputy Supervisor of Elections  
Kevron Aird, Deputy Supervisor of Elections  
Other members of the SOE's staff

##### Also, in Attendance

Devona Reynolds Perez, SOE Counsel  
Scott Andron, Canvassing Board Counsel  
Members of the public included, but were not limited to, Camille Coolidge and Herman Schnell, representing the Republican Party, and David Black and Michael Cohen representing the Democratic Party.

#### MEETING CONVENED:

2:00 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by Judge Deborah Carpenter-Toye at 2:00 p.m. In attendance were Judge Deborah Carpenter-Toye and Commissioner Micheal Udine. Supervisor of Elections Joe Scott arrived minutes later.

Pledge of allegiance

A motion to approve the minutes from the previous Canvassing Board meeting held on October 24th was granted by the present board members.

Chief Deputy Mary Hall presented the following ballot cards to the Canvassing Board members for their review:

88 ballot cards with overvotes were presented to the Canvassing Board members. A motion confirming all reviewed cards as overvotes and approving them for tabulation was granted by the board.

205 ballot cards with Voter Intent were presented for review. Camille Coolidge, representing the Republican Party, highlighted page 8, subsection 3 from the voter intent guide and requested that a specific ballot card be set aside with its duplication number recorded. A

Democratic Party representative disputed the board's determination on the presidential race for one ballot card and requested it be set aside. Ms. Coolidge referenced the voter intent guide again, and her comments were acknowledged. Republican representative Herman Schnell inquired about a voter's initials next to the bubble filled out with an "x" over it. The selection with an "x" and initial means that it is not the voter's selection. The board reviewed and voted on each ballot with voter intent and granted a motion to duplicate and tabulate the Vote-by-Mail (VBM) ballot cards.

Two ballot cards previously reviewed and subsequently rejected by the machine were again presented to the board. A motion to duplicate ballot cards, make them available for public inspection and tabulate them was granted by the board.

Two ballot cards that were previously considered by the Canvassing Board members and rejected by the machine. The board members were asked to review the entire ballot cards and make a determination. A motion to duplicate ballot cards, make them available for public inspection and tabulate them was granted by the board.

Two ballots protested during public inspection were presented to the board for review. Ballot from precinct M012 was reviewed and a motion to approve the ballot was granted by the board. Ballot from precinct W012 was reviewed and a motion to send out a request for an affidavit to voter to confirm signature was granted by the board.

8 VBM ballots from voters who had moved were reconsidered by the Canvassing Board members. Based on the State rule, a ballot is deemed cast when received by the Supervisor of Elections. However, if the ballot was received after the date the voter moved to the new county, then the board is required to reject ballot. David Black on behalf of the Democratic Party inquired about the actual standard when referring to the date the ballot is received by the Supervisor of Elections Office. By the time the ballot went through the system, our records reflected that the voter had already moved. Michael Cohen from the Democratic Party asked if the guidance from the state is statutory or discretionary. This is a statute requirement. Each VBM ballot was reviewed, and a motion was granted to reject ballots.

3 VBM ballots from deceased voters were examined. The board approved one and rejected two, with rejected ballots referred to the State Attorney and the Election Crimes and Security Department. Monica Elliott from the League of Women Voters inquired about upcoming ballots under review; the board confirmed they were addressing VBM ballots with Cure Affidavits. The board reviewed and approved 43 VBM ballots with tier 1 identification. Motion to approve and process the VBM ballots was granted by the board.

11 VBM ballots from out-of-county voters were reviewed, and a motion to reject them was granted by the board.

Future Meetings: The board scheduled meetings for:  
Friday, November 1st at 2:00 p.m. (if needed)  
Monday, November 4th at 2:00 p.m.  
Tuesday, November 5th at 6:00 p.m.  
Thursday, November 7th at 4:00 p.m.

Devona Reynolds Perez addressed an issue where some South Broward Drainage District (SBDD) Zone 2 voters received ballots containing the Zone 3 race. A total of 130 ballots were affected. These ballots have been set aside, and measures have been implemented to correct the issue moving forward. Supervisor Joe Scott clarified the handling process: if SBDD Zone 2 ballots include the Zone 3 race but the race is left blank, those ballots will be

processed as regular ballots. If the race is filled out, these ballots will be duplicated without the Zone 3 race. Once duplication is complete, the ballots will be presented to the Canvassing Board and made available for public inspection. Herman Schnell from the Republican Party noted that Supervisor Scott had informed the candidates about the issue. Mr. Schnell also inquired about the number of ballot styles affected. Supervisor Scott replied that he was not sure how many ballot styles were affected, but there are two precincts. The board approved a motion authorizing the SOE staff to duplicate ballots with the SBDD Zone 3 race filled out, make them available for public inspection, and bring them to the Canvassing Board meeting.

Voter Intent Objection: At the previous meeting, Ms. Coolidge objected to one ballot's voter intent review, requesting preservation and notation of the duplicated ballot number, which is DUPO25927.

#### **NEXT MEETING DATE**

The next Canvassing Board meeting will be held on Thursday, October 31, 2024 at 2:00 p.m.

#### **RECESS**

With no further business to be conducted, a motion was granted by the board to recess the Canvassing Board meeting at 4:05 p.m.