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## General Election – November 5, 2024

### CANVASSING BOARD MEETING

### Monday, November 4, 2024

#### IN ATTENDANCE:

##### Canvassing Board Members

County Judge Betsy Benson, Alternate Chair  
County Commissioner Lamar P. Fisher  
Joe Scott, Supervisor of Elections

##### SOE Staff

Mary Hall, Chief Deputy Supervisor of Elections  
Kevron Aird, Deputy Supervisor of Elections  
Tiawan McNeal, Early Voting Manager  
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 Jim Pruden and Herman Schnell, representing the Republican Party. A representative from the League of Women Voter.

**MEETING CONVENED: 2:00 P.M.**

The meeting was called to order by Judge Betsy Benson at 2:00 p.m. In attendance were Judge Betsy Benson, Commissioner Lamar P. Fisher and Supervisor of Elections Joe Scott.

Pledge of allegiance

A motion to approve the minutes from the previous Canvassing Board meeting held on November 1, 2024, was granted by the present board members.

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

A total of 257 Vote-by-Mail (VBM) ballot cards with voter intent were presented to the board for review and determination. The audience was invited to comment as the board reviewed each ballot card. Comments were provided by Jim Pruden and Herman Schnell. Jim Pruden, representing the Donald Trump campaign, requested that the board review a previous ballot card again, referencing state guidelines for interpreting voter intent. However, the board's three members had already determined the outcome for that ballot, so no further action was needed. Herman Schnell then directed the board's attention to a specific section of the

voter intent guidelines, which the board acknowledged. A motion was made, and approved by the board, for the ballots to be duplicated and made available for public inspection.

A total of 189 South Broward Drainage District Zone 2 ballots from precinct W018, which incorrectly included the Zone 3 race, were duplicated with the Zone 3 race left blank, as discussed in the previous Canvassing Board meeting. These duplicated ballots were presented to the board for verification. A motion to confirm that the 189 ballots were properly duplicated and to proceed with tabulation was granted by the board.

Motion to recess at 3:30 p.m. for 15 minutes was granted by the board.

Upon resuming the session, the board was presented with duplicated South Broward Drainage District Zone 2 ballots from precinct X023 for verification. Herman Schnell inquired about the precinct split. The duplicated ballots are assigned and tabulated under the same precinct number. A motion confirming that the ballots were properly duplicated and to be tabulated was granted by the board.

1 VBM ballot received with multiple ballots inside. A motion to reject ballots was granted by the board.

VBM ballots stored in a bin with seals # 0391012 and 0391066.

3 VBM ballots were received from deceased voters. A motion to reject all three VBM ballots was granted. One of these VBM ballots will be referred to the State Attorney's Office and the Election Crime Investigation Department.

A total of 103 Vote-by-Mail (VBM) ballots with signature discrepancies and cure affidavits were presented to the board for review. Two VBM ballots with no Tier 1 were set aside for further examination. A representative from the League of Women Voters inquired about how voters are being contacted. Voters are contacted using the information provided, such as phone or email. The League of Women Voter representative reviewed the set-aside ballots. A motion was approved by the board to process and tabulate the 101 VBM ballots that have been properly cured. The Supervisor of Elections (SOE) staff will reach out to the two voters whose ballots were set aside.

A total of 58 VBM ballot cards with overvotes were presented to the board for review and confirmation. One ballot card was moved to the voter intent stack. A motion to proceed with tabulating 57 ballot cards with overvotes and to duplicate the one remaining ballot card was approved by the board.

VBM ballots received from voters living in the same house (1 set with 3 voters and 7 sets with 2 voters each). A motion to approve, open and tabulate VBM ballots was granted by the board.

#### **NEXT MEETING DATE**

The next Canvassing Board meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 5, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.

#### **RECESS**

With no further business to be conducted, a motion was granted by the board to recess the Canvassing Board meeting at 4:44 p.m.