

CHATHAM COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS CANVASS

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August 5, 2022 – 11:00 a.m.

ATTENDEES:

Chair Laura Heise, Secretary Charles Ramos, Member Frank Dunphy II, Member Mark Barroso, and Member Amy Meek (remotely), Director Pandora Paschal, Deputy Director Steve Simos, and Election Specialist Chance Mashburn.

Secretary Ramos led everyone in a moment of silence and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Call to Order

Chair Heise called the meeting to order stating this meeting was to CANVASS the election for the July 26, 2022 Cary Town Runoff Election. She stated all the results are in and have been tallied making the results official.

Approval of Agenda

Chair Heise asked for a motion to approve the agenda if there were no changes. Secretary Ramos made the motion to approve the agenda. Member Dunphy seconded the motion. All were in favor. Vote 4-0 (Member Meek was not present.)

Approval of Minutes

Chair Heise stated the first order of business is to approve the minutes from July 19, 2022, July 25, 2022, and July 26, 2022. Secretary Ramos made the motion to approve the minutes, and Member Barroso seconded the motion. All were in favor. Vote 4-0. (Member Meek was not present.)

CANVASS

The board completed the Abstract of Votes for the July 26, 2022, Cary Runoff Election with the official results. These documents will be sent the Town of Cary Clerk, The Chatham County Clerk of Court, and the North Carolina State Board of Elections. The board examined the election returns. Total ballots cast and voter history matched for this election.

After Action Review

The board did an AAR (After Action Review) of the election to determine what worked, what didn't work, and what improvements could be made.

Director Paschal stated that everything went smooth and there were no problems. We conducted another good election.

Chair Heise was concerned that a Judge dropped out at the last minute. She asked if we had any ideas about how to avoid this in future elections. Election Specialist Mashburn said we could train additional people and have them ready to dispatch out should this happen again.

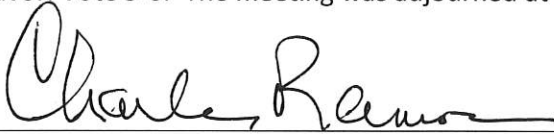
Member Dunphy asked if the election officials were paid enough. Election Specialist Mashburn stated they were some of the highest paid among some counties.

Member Dunphy wanted to explore having additional space added to schools for early voting to avoid using private buildings like churches.

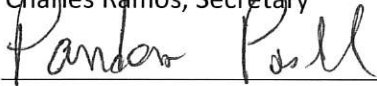
Member Barroso would like to explore building community centers to use for polling places. The board concluded that this is a conversation to have with the county commissioners.

Adjourn Meeting

Secretary Ramos made the motion to adjourn. Member Dunphy seconded the motion. All were in favor. Vote 5-0. The meeting was adjourned at 11:50 am.



Charles Ramos, Secretary



Pandora Paschal, Attest