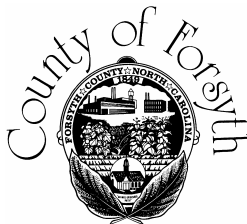


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FORSYTH COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS CANVASS- MAY 9, 2006

Present: Mrs. Charles A. Cardwell, Jr., Chair
Mr. J. Eric Elliott, Secretary
Mr. John A. Redding, Member

Staff: Mr. Terry J. Cox, Interim Director of Elections
Mrs. Pamela Johnson, Administrative Assistant
Mrs. Betty James

Call To Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 10:03 AM.

Hand Eye Sampling of Precincts 075 and 303

Mr. Elliott explained that the State Board of Elections now requires a hand/eye sampling (recount) of 2 randomly selected precincts. As mandated by State law, there are 2 groups comprised of 3 people. The attendees were chosen by the Forsyth County Democratic Party and the Forsyth County Republican Party. Those chosen by the Democratic Party were Joyce McCloy, Bob Law and Blaire Lowrance. The Republican Party chose Byron Nelson, Martha Haire and Sam Southern. In each group there was 1 caller and 2 tabulators. The results showed that the hand/eye sampling matched the Election night result tapes. Precinct 303 was off by 1 vote due to a counting error by the group. The hand/eye sampling was conducted successfully.

Canvass

The Canvass began at 11:00 AM.

Pollbook Audit

Mr. Cox stated Ibrahim Elementary needed to be recounted due to a discrepancy in ATV forms and vote totals. The Board agreed to recount the precinct and was able to reconcile the discrepancy.

Mr. Cox stated that he spoke with Johnnie McLean of the State Board of Elections regarding ballots from the One-Stop location that were not counted due to Board of Elections error in identifying the proper precinct for 27 ballots. Ms. McLean instructed Mr. Cox to add the ballots to precinct that were short on their count since the One-Stop votes are now being added to the appropriate precincts instead of the One-Stop being considered a separate precinct.

Mr. Cox and the Board discussed precincts 607 and 904 receiving the wrong ballots. One was due to a packing error by ES&S and one was due to a packing error by Board of Elections office.

The Board and Staff discussed minor problems that occurred on Election Day and concurred that these are problems that typically occur at any given Election. The Board and staff discussed how these problems were solved.

The Staff gave the Board the provisional ballots for their review. Mr. Elliott moved to partially

count OS-43 by counting the judicial votes. Mrs. Cardwell seconded the motion and it passed 2-1. Mr. Elliott moved to partially count OS-18 and OS-39 by counting the judicial votes. Mr. Redding seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Elliott moved to approve 56 provisional ballots, disapprove 21 and partially count 4. Mr. Redding seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

After further reviewing the provisional ballots, Mr. Elliott realized that 013-1 was not sealed. Mr. Elliott moved to disapprove this provisional for not being sealed. Mr. Redding seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. The new totals for the provisional ballots were 55 for approval, 22 for disapproval and 4 for partial count.

The provisional ballots were put through the ballot counter and the votes tallied.

The Board reviewed the pollbook audit information. Precinct 083 was showing 1 vote on the iVotronic, but there were no votes cast on the machine. The Board recessed for 15 minutes at 3:05 PM while the result tapes for the precinct were located. The Board reconvened at 3:20 PM. The Board and Staff reviewed the result tape for the iVotronic. The machine indicates 1 vote cast, but the result tapes do not indicate any votes. Mr. Cox recommended the vote be removed from the final totals. Mr. Redding suggested reading the flash card for that DRE machine to see if there were any votes cast. Mr. Cox stated the R-tel tape shows the iVotronic was not opened on Election Day. Mr. Redding moved to remove the "gremlin" vote from the PEB for Precinct 083. Mr. Elliott seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Elliott moved to go into closed session for 30 minutes. Mr. Redding seconded the motion and the closed session began at 3:27 PM.

The Board reconvened at 4:00 PM.

There was a discrepancy in the Election night totals. The totals indicated by the ATV forms and the totals that were read into the system on Election night were different. There were 18,802 votes as indicated by totals obtained from the PEB's and M100's. The Board added 59 provisional ballots and 27 One-Stop ballots that were not previously counted. This gave a total of 18,888. Result tapes indicated a total of 18,873 votes cast.

Mr. Elliott moved to recess the Canvass until the following day at 4:00 PM. Mr. Redding seconded the motion and the Canvass was recessed at 6:25 PM.

The Board reconvened the Canvass on May 10, 2005 at 4:00 PM.

After reviewing the election results discrepancy, it was determined that 3 precincts had PEB's with test data on them and had not been cleared before Election day. These PEB's were read into the system and the test data read as actual Election results. The total of test votes read into the system were 61. After removing the test data from the Election night results, the Board and Staff were able to reconcile the numbers. The final Election night results were 18,873 votes. The Staff checked the totals from each precinct to make sure the totals did not vary from the Canvass totals. The Staff also read the absentee ballot totals again to make sure the totals were accurate. The Board and Staff compared ATV totals to the Ballot Report Forms, which shows total number of voters and total votes cast on the iVotronic and M100 machines. There were no zero tapes printed for 3 iVotronics that had test data on them.

Mr. Elliott moved to accept the official Election night result total of 18,873. Mr. Redding seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

The Election results were certified by the Board.

Mr. Elliott moved to go into closed session. Mr. Redding seconded the motion and the Board went into closed session at 4:35 PM.

The Board reconvened at 5:00 PM.

Adjournment

Mr. Redding moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Elliott seconded the motion and the meeting was adjourned at 5:01 PM.

s:/ Mrs. Charles A. Cardwell, Jr., Chair

s:/ Mr. J. Eric Elliott, Secretary

s:/ By Mr. Jerry Jordan, Member, in place of Mr. John A. Redding, Previous Member