

# Norfolk Electoral Board

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## Minutes of the Republican Primary Election Canvass, June 22 & 24, 2022

### **Present**

H. Michael Ziegenfuss (Chair), Atoy Carrington (Vice Chairwoman), Michael Khandelwal (Secretary), Stephanie Iles (Director of Elections & General Registrar), Rosanna Bencoach (Deputy Director of Elections & Deputy Registrar)

### **Others Present**

Wednesday, June 22, 2022: Marianne McKay (Officer of Election)

Friday, June 24, 2022: Marianne McKay (Officer of Election) and Colin Kelly (Officer of Election)

The Norfolk Electoral Board was called to order on Wednesday, June 22, 2022 at 10:21 a.m. by Mr. Ziegenfuss in the 3rd floor Judge's Conference Room in the Norfolk Circuit Court to canvass the June 21, 2022 Republican Party Primary Election and to consider the Provisional Ballots cast.

### **Approval of Minutes from the June 2, 2022 Electoral Board Meeting**

Ms. Carrington moved to approve the minutes from the June 2, 2022 meeting. Mr. Khandelwal seconded the motion. The Board unanimously approved the minutes from the meeting.

### **Research of Provisional Ballots**

Five (5) Provisional Ballots were issued on June 21, 2022. Mr. Khandelwal's motion to direct the staff of the Office of Elections to research the qualification for each voter was seconded by Ms. Carrington. The Board unanimously approved the motion, and the Provisional Ballots were placed in the custody of Yetta Wilkins, Election Assistant IV.

### **Election Canvass, Day One (6/22/2022)**

The Board began the canvass of the election.

After a lunch break, the Board continued its review of the election results.

Mr. Khandelwal moved to recess the meeting until June 24, 2022 at 2 p.m. in the Elections Office Board Conference Room in Norfolk City Hall, at which time the Board would continue the canvass of the election. The motion was seconded by Ms. Carrington and carried unanimously. The Board recessed at 2:53 p.m.

### **Election Canvass, Day Two (6/24/2022)**

The Board re-convened at 2:02 p.m. on June 24, 2022 in the Elections Office Board Conference Room in Norfolk City Hall to continue to canvass the June 21, 2022 Republican Primary Election.

The canvass of the forty-eight (48) precincts and the Absentee Precinct were completed.

The Board canvassed the five (5) Provisional Ballots issued on Election Day. The Registrar presented the results of the research on each voter's qualification.

Of the Provisional Ballots, two (2) Provisional Ballots were from Absentee voters who either did not receive an Absentee ballot or did not have one to surrender at the Precinct, and research showed that the Norfolk Office of Elections did not receive their marked ballot in the mail; one (1) was from a voter who was registered in a jurisdiction other than Norfolk; and two (2) were from voters who were marked in the pollbook as having already voted (one via early in-person voting at City Hall and one on Election Day).

Ms. Carrington moved to accept the two (2) Provisional Ballots from voters who did not receive their Absentee Ballot or did not have one to surrender at the polling place on Election Day and the Norfolk Office of Elections did not receive their marked ballot in the mail. The motion was seconded by Mr. Khandelwal and was passed by a unanimous vote of the Board.

Ms. Carrington then moved to not count the one (1) Provisional Ballot from the voter that was registered in another jurisdiction; the motion was seconded by Mr. Khandelwal and passed by a unanimous vote of the Board.

Further, Ms. Carrington made a motion to not count the one (1) Provisional Ballot from the voter marked as already having voted in the early voting site. The motion was seconded by Mr. Khandelwal and carried by a unanimous vote of the Board. Ms. Carrington then made a motion to not count the one (1) Provisional Ballot from the voter marked as already having voted on Election Day, which Mr. Khandelwal seconded. The vote of the Board was unanimous.

The Board counted the two (2) approved Provisional Ballots and completed the Provisional Ballot Certification Form.

The Abstracts were printed and signed by each Board member before the Board Secretary signed and sealed five (5) additional copies. The Results Certification Checklist was also prepared and signed by Ms. Iles and Mr. Khandelwal, then sent, along with an attested copy of the Abstracts, to the Virginia Department of Elections electronically.

### **Such other business as may come before the Electoral Board**

Those assembled discussed the pending lawsuit involving the state house districts.

The Board conducted a precinct review and noted that our Officers of Election did a fantastic job in conducting this election.

The Board discussed visiting alternate polling locations for the Easton precinct.

The Board discussed local redistricting.

The next meeting of the Norfolk Electoral Board was set for Thursday, July 21, 2022 at 10 a.m. in the Elections Office Board Conference Room in Norfolk City Hall.

Ms. Carrington moved to adjourn the meeting, which was seconded by Mr. Khandelwal. The meeting was adjourned at 3:47 p.m. by unanimous vote of the Board.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Michael Khandelwal', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Michael Khandelwal, Secretary  
June 24, 2022