

LICKING COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS
OFFICIAL CANVASS
MAY 27, 2022

An Official Canvass meeting of the Licking County Board of Elections was called to order at 4:20 P.M. Roll was taken with the following members present: Chairman Richard Salvage, Freddie Latella, Melinda Miller, Dave Rhodes. Also attending were Director Luke Burton, Deputy Director Brian Mead, Newark Advocate reporter Kent Mallett, a representative from the League of Women Voters, as well as members of the public.

The purpose of this meeting is to conduct the Official Canvass and other business brought before the Board.

Chairman Richard Salvage led the Board in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes:

Director Luke Burton presented minutes of meetings held on 1-10-22, 2-7-22, 3-10-22. Melinda made a motion to accept the meeting minutes as presented the one correction requested by Melinda. Dave Rhodes provided the second. Motion carried 4-0.

Absentee Ballot Review:

Director Luke Burton presented the Board with the following absentee ballots.

142 – Postmarked no later than May 2, 2022 and received no later than May 13, 2022. Freddie Latella made a motion to accept the ballots. Dave Rhodes provided the second. Motion carried 4-0.

24 – Postmarked later than May 2, 2022. Dave Rhodes made a motion to reject the ballots. Freddie Latella provided the second. Motion carried 4-0.

142 total absentee ballots will be added to the Official Canvass.

Election Day Paper Ballot Review:

4 – Incorrect envelope, non-provisional, no ExpressVote history, to be counted. Melinda Miller made a motion to accept the ballots. Dave Rhodes provided the second. Motion carried 4-0.

4 total Election Day ballots will be added to the Official Canvass.

Provisional Ballot Review:

Director Luke Burton presented the Board with the following provisional ballots.

187 – Voted in correct precinct, completely filled out form 12-B Provisional Ballot Affirmation without missing required information. Freddie Latella made a motion to accept the ballots. Dave Rhodes provided the second. Motion carried 4-0.

1 – Registration was canceled and eligible for counting under APRI exception Directive 2019-23. Dave Rhodes made a motion to accept the ballot. Freddie Latella provided the second. Motion carried 4-0.

17 – No history of Ohio voter registration active or inactive. Melinda Miller made a motion to reject the ballots. Dave Rhodes provided the second. Motion carried 4-0.

2 – Registration was canceled and ineligible for counting under APRI exception Directive 2019-23. Freddie Latella made a motion to reject the ballots. Dave Rhodes provided the second. Motion carried 4-0.

2 – Cast an ExpressVote ballot at the voting location. Dave Rhodes made a motion to reject the ballots. Freddie Latella provided the second. Motion carried 4-0.

1 – Cast an ExpressVote ballot during in-office absentee voting. Freddie Latella made a motion to reject the ballots. Dave Rhodes provided the second. Motion carried 4-0.

188 total provisional ballots will be added to the official canvass.

Official Canvass:

The Official Canvass was conducted following Directive 2022-33 and all relevant sections of the Election Official Manual.

Director Luke Burton provided the Board with final results of the Official Canvass to be approved. After review of results Dave Rhodes made a motion to certify results of the May 3, 2022 Primary Election. Melinda Miller provided the second. Motion carried 4-0.

Recount and Audit:

City of Newark – Electric Aggregation question will be the subject of an automatic recount. After discussion, Freddie Latella made a motion to conduct a complete recount of the ballot question. Dave Rhodes provided the second. Motion carried 4-0.

The automatic recount is scheduled to begin June 7, 2022 at 9:00 A.M. and continue during regular business hours until completed.

The post-election audit will be conducted for three candidate races. Democratic Governor and Republican U.S. Senator were chosen to be audited by the Secretary of State. Freddie Latella made a motion to audit the candidate race for Republican County Commissioner. Dave Rhodes provided the second. Motion carried 4-0.

Director Luke Burton used a random number generator to select voting locations to be audited. The locations chosen at random were John Clem Elementary and Tri Village Christian Church.

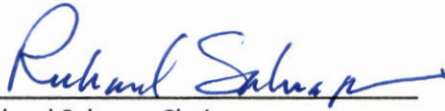
The automatic recount of Village of Granville – Member of Council, Village of Hebron – Member of Council, and Newark City School District – Member of Board of Education is scheduled to begin November 20, 2021 at 9:00 A.M. continuing during regular business hours until completed.

The post-election audit will begin upon conclusion of the automatic recount and continuing during regular business hours until completed.

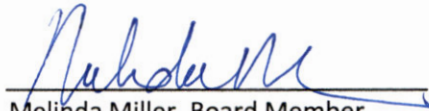
Adjournment and Next Meeting:

The next regular meeting has been scheduled for June 13, 2022 at 11:45 A.M.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:49 P.M.



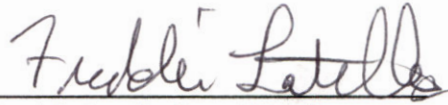
Richard Salvage, Chair



Melinda Miller, Board Member



Dave Rhodes, Board Member



Freddie Latella, Board Member



Luke A. Burton, Director