

Marion County Board of Elections

Special Meeting Minutes

Provisional and Absentee

May 10, 2023

I. Call to Order

Chair Todd Anderson called to order the Provisional and Absentee Meeting of the Board of Elections at 7:00 AM on May 10, 2023 the meeting was held in the Board of Election Office in the Marion County Building.

II. Attendance

The following board members were present: Chair Todd Anderson, Brandi Downs, Lynn Zucker and Robb Koons. The Director and Deputy Director were also present.

III. 2023 Primary Election

Provisional Ballot Review

The Director stated there are 40 total provisional ballots.

The Director recommended to reject the following 9 ballots:

- 1 voted at the Early Vote Center and also voted on Election Day
- 1 ballot with no identification
- 2 with expired driver's license
- 4 not registered
- 1 Morrow County voter who resides in a precinct that did not have a ballot for this election

Mrs. Zucker made a motion to reject the recommended 9 ballots. Mrs. Downs seconded the motion. The board voted unanimously to reject the 9 ballots.

The Director recommended the following 22 provisional ballots to accept:

- 16 address changes
- 3 registered in another county and did not vote in that county
- 3 name changes

Mr. Koons made a motion to accept the recommended 22 provisional ballots. Mrs. Zucker seconded the motion. The board voted unanimously to accept the 22 ballots.

The Director recommended 9 provisional ballots that are board decision.

- 9 poll worker error – identification not verified and missing poll worker initials

The Director shared that identification was not verified at the polling location. Poll worker notes were checked with no information provided. Mrs. Downs stated that the identifications have been checked against the statewide database and the issue is missing initials from 2 poll workers on all 9 provisional applications. This issue is a poll worker error not a voter error. Mrs. Downs made a motion to accept the 9 provisional ballots due to poll worker error and not voter error. Mr. Koons seconded the motion. Mrs. Zucker asked if all ballots in question were from the same poll workers and the Director confirmed they were from different poll workers. The board voted unanimously to accept the 9 board decision ballots.

Absentees

The Director presented 2 ballots to reject that were post marked (May 3, 2023) which is after the May 2, 2023 deadline. Mrs. Zucker made a motion to reject the 2 ballots received after the deadline. Mrs. Downs seconded the motion. The board voted unanimously to reject the 2 ballots.

The Director stated there was 1 curbside voter not checked in on a poll pad and poll workers did not verify seeing identification. Mrs. Downs stated that, according to the law, it appears the voter was the first person checked in at curbside that day and poll workers were developing their system. The rest of the ballots did have poll worker initials confirming voter identification was provided and verified. Mrs. Downs made a motion to accept the 1 ballot due to poll worker error. Mr. Koons seconded the motion. The board voted unanimously to accept the 1 curbside ballot.

Meeting Dates

The Board scheduled the following Meetings:

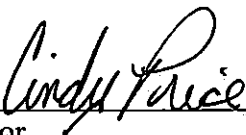
- May 15, 2023 – 5:00 PM – Regular Meeting and Certification Board Meeting
- June 21, 2023 – 5:00 PM – Regular Meeting
- July 12, 2023 – 7:00 AM – Regular Meeting
- Summer Conference – Save the Date – 6/27/23-6/28/23 – Hilton Easton
- Winter Conference – Save the Date – 1/11/24-1/12/24 – Hilton Downtown

IV. Adjournment

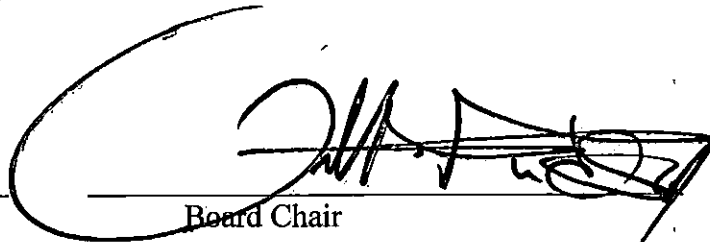
Mrs. Zucker moved to adjourn. Mr. Koons seconded the motion. The board voted unanimously to adjourn at 7:06 AM on May 10, 2023.

Minutes submitted by: Holly Ramey

Minutes approved by:



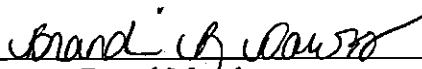
Director



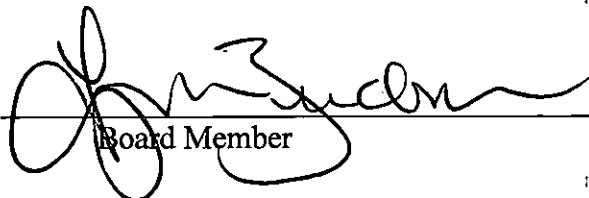
Board Chair



Deputy Director



Board Member



Board Member





PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to the applicable law of the State of Ohio, the Marion County Board of Elections herein announces public notice of a Special Board Meeting to be held on

Wednesday, May 10th @ 7:00 a.m.

In the Board of Elections office located in the Marion County Building at 222 W. Center Street, Marion Ohio. The purpose of the meeting is to review absentee ballots in question and provisional ballots from the 2023 May Primary/Special Election.

The public is invited to attend all meetings.

Signed this 20th day of April, 2023.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Cindy Price".

Cindy Price
Director

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Brian Blair".

Brian Blair
Deputy Director