

Marion County Board of Elections

Special Meeting Minutes Provisional and Absentee

November 20, 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 November 20, 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, Brandy Downs, Lynn Zucker and Robb Koons. The Director and Deputy Director were also present.

III. 2023 General Election Provisional Ballot Review

The Director recommended 136 provisional ballots to be accept

- 136 provisional ballots that are address changes with the county

Mrs. Downs made a motion to accept the 136 provisional ballots. Mr. Koons seconded the motion. The board voted unanimously to accept the 136 ballots with address changes within the county.

The Director recommended 4 provisional ballots to be accepted

- 4 provisional ballots with name changes and address changes

Mrs. Downs made a motion to accept the 4 provisional ballots. Mrs. Zucker seconded the motion. The board voted unanimously to accept the 4 ballots.

The Director recommended 61 provisional ballots to be accepted.

- 61 provisional ballots that moved to Marion County from another County

Mr. Koons made a motion to accept the 61 provisional ballots that moved to Marion County from another county. Mrs. Zucker seconded the motion. The board voted unanimously to accept the 61 ballots.

The Director recommended 37 provisional ballots to be accepted.

- 37 provisional ballots with name changes

Mrs. Zucker made a motion to accept the 37 provisional ballots with name changes. Mr. Koons seconded the motion. The board voted unanimously to accept the 37 ballots.

The Director recommended 58 provisional ballots to be rejected

- 58 provisional ballots that are unregistered

Mrs. Zucker made a motion to reject the 58 provisional ballots. Mrs. Downs seconded the motion. The board voted unanimously to reject the 58 ballots that are not registered.

The Director recommended 4 provisional ballots for board decision

- 4 provisional ballots that only one poll worker initials at section 5 stating they saw the voter ID

Mrs. Downs made a motion to accept the 4 provisional ballots with only one poll worker initials. Mrs. Zucker seconded the motion. The board voted unanimously to accept the 4 ballots.

The Director recommended 4 provisional ballots to be accepted

- 4 provisional ballots absentees were requested and were not voted. Voters came to polling location and were require to vote a provisional ballot.

Mrs. Zucker made a motion to accept the 4 provisional ballots. Mr. Koons seconded the motion. The board voted unanimously to accept the 4 ballots.

The Director recommended to accepted the following 9 ballots:

- 9 provisionals no ID and voters cured ID issues after election day

Mrs. Downs made a motion to accept the 9 provisional ballots. Mr. Koons seconded the motion. The board voted unanimously to accept the 9 ballots.

The Director recommended 16 provisional ballots to be accepted

- 16 provisional ballot undeliverable mail L&K status

Mrs. Downs made a motion to accept the 16 provisional ballots. Mrs. Zucker seconded the motion. The board voted unanimously to accept the 16 ballots.

The Director recommended 7 provisional ballots to be accepted

- 7 provisional ballots not sure why voted provisional/poll worker error

Mr. Koons made a motion to accept the 7 provisional ballots. Mrs. Downs seconded the motion. The board voted unanimously to accept the 7 ballots.

The Director recommended 1 provisional ballot for board decision

- 1 provisional ballot voter didn't have time to go to right polling location

Mrs. Zucker made a motion to accept the 1 provisional ballot to be remade ballot consistent with the correct polling location. Mrs. Downs seconded the motion. The board voted unanimously to accept the 1 remade ballot consistent with the correct polling location.

The Director recommended 4 provisional ballots for board decision

- 4 provisional ballots that had no initials by poll workers, but ID was provided in section 5

Mrs. Zucker made a motion to accept the 4 provisional ballots with no initials. Mr. Koons seconded the motion. The board voted 3-1 to accept the 4 ballots.

The Director recommended 5 provisional ballots to be rejected

- 5 provisional ballots that had no ID in section 5

Mrs. Downs made a motion to reject the 5 provisional ballots with no ID in section 5. Mr. Koons seconded the motion. The board unanimously to reject the 5 ballots.

The Director recommended to reject the following 28 ballots:

- 28 Provisionals no ID and expired Driver's License number

Mrs. Zucker made a motion to reject the recommended 28 ballots with no ID and expired driver's license number. Mr. Koons seconded the motion. The board voted unanimously to reject the 28 ballots with no ID and expired Driver's License number.

The Director recommended 1 provisional ballot to remake

- 1 incorrect provisional ballot provided to a curbside voter

Mrs. Zucker made a motion to remake the 1 ballot. Mrs. Downs seconded the motion. The board voted unanimously to remake the 1 ballot.

The Director recommended the following 3 provisional ballots be accepted:

- 3 provisional ballots state no ID on the authority to vote slip but poll workers initialed seeing ID

Mrs. Downs made a motion to accept the 3 provisional ballots. Mr. Koons seconded the motion. The board voted unanimously to accept the 3 ballots.

The Director recommended 1 provisional ballot for board decision

- 1 provisional ballot as poll worker error

Lynn Zucker made a motion to accept the 1 ballot as poll worker error. Mrs. Downs seconded the motion. The board voted unanimously to accept the 1 ballot.

The Director recommended 1 provisional ballot for board decision

- 1 provisional ballot with the voter requested and voted an absentee ballot and then came to polling location

Mrs. Zucker made a motion to reject the 1 provisional ballot. Mrs. Downs seconded the motion. The board voted unanimously to reject the 1 ballot.

Mr. Koons made a motion to contacted the voter by telephone to determine if the voter made an error. If there is no response or response is unsatisfactory they will be referred to law enforcement.

The Director requested permission to remake any incorrect ballot in a provisional envelope

Mrs. Downs made a motion to allow the Director and Deputy Director or their designated representatives to remake any incorrect provisional ballot that was provided by a poll worker. Mrs. Zucker seconded the motion. The board voted unanimously.

The Director shared updates:

1. 14 UOCAVA ballots were sent

2. Ballot issues returned so far:

- 1 – not deliverable
- 2 – incorrect ID
- 3 – postmarked after election day

Meeting Dates

The Board scheduled the following Meetings:

- November 29, 2023-10:00 AM-Audit
- December 20, 2023 – 5:00 PM -Regular Board Meeting
- January 2, 2024 -5:00-Regular Board Meeting – Certify Candidates
- Winter Conference – 1/11/24-1/12/24 – Hilton Downtown
- Candidate Class – January 18, 2024 – 1:30-3:30 PM

IV. Adjournment

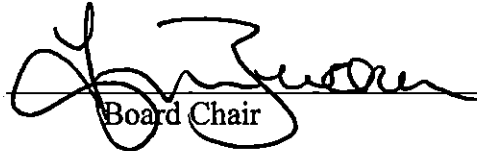
Chair Anderson moved to adjourn. Mr. Koons seconded the motion. The board voted unanimously to adjourn at 7:23 AM on November 20, 2023.

Minutes submitted by: Holly Ramey


Minutes approved by:



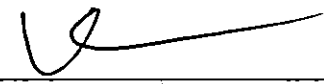
Director




Board Chair



Deputy Director



Board Member



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

Monday, November 20th @ 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 November General Election.

The public is invited to attend all meetings.

Signed this 14th day of November, 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

