

MINUTES
Wicomico County Board of Elections
345 Snow Hill Road, Salisbury, MD 21804
Wednesday, March 20, 2019

ATTENDEES: Catherine Keim, Board President, Republican Member
Katrina Purnell, Board Secretary, Democratic Member
Brad Bellacicco, Republican Member
Joseph Collins, Republican Member
Peter Golba, Board Attorney (via phone)
Dionne Church, Election Deputy Director

ABSENT: Sharon Morris, Democratic Member
Anthony Gutierrez, Election Director

GUEST: None

The Wicomico County Board of Elections met Wednesday, March 20, 2019 at 9:00 a.m.

Public notice was given and the agenda was posted at the Board of Elections office the week prior to the meeting.

Catherine Keim called the meeting to order, as there was a quorum present, and voluntarily led the Pledge of Allegiance and the Lord's Prayer.

Catherine Keim asked for approval of the February 20, 2019 minutes. Brad Bellacicco made the motion to approve the minutes; seconded by Katrina Purnell, passed, unanimously.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Issues which have come up in the office:

After the roofers finished, General Services came out and replaced some ceiling tiles. Then the roofing company came back and found a spot where the rubber had come up, probably blown up by the recent high winds, so they sealed it back up earlier this week.

Items from the State Board office:

The Green and Libertarian parties have lost their status in Maryland, so right now the only options are Democrat, Republican and the "Bread-and-Roses" party, or they can just go Unaffiliated.

OLD BUSINESS:

Joseph Collins made a motion to adjourn the regular Board Meeting at 9:12 a.m. to reconvene as the Board of Canvassers, in order to discuss the November 2018 General post-election canvass minutes; seconded by Brad Bellacicco, passed unanimously. The Board of Canvassers convened at 9:13 a.m.

Brad Bellacicco made a motion to accept the Absentee 1 Canvass minutes as amended from November 8-9, 2018; seconded by Katrina Purnell, passed unanimously.

The Provisional Canvass minutes from November 14, 2018 were discussed. Katrina Purnell made a motion to table approval of the minutes, pending clarification on sections discussed, and to research why a total of 5 absentee ballots were rejected according to page 2, and to amend the summary to more accurately reflect numbers recorded; seconded by Brad Bellacicco, passed unanimously.

The Absentee 2 Canvass minutes from November 16, 2018 were discussed. Katrina Purnell made

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a motion to table approval of the minutes, pending clarity; seconded by Joseph Collins, passed unanimously.

Katrina Purnell made a motion to adjourn the Board of Canvassers meeting at 10:00 a.m., seconded by Joseph Collins, passed unanimously. The regular Board meeting reconvened at 10:01 a.m.

NEW BUSINESS:

None

MISCELLANEOUS:

None

MEMBERS TIME:

Schedule of upcoming meeting dates was discussed. It was decided that the May meeting be held on Friday, May 17, 2019 at 9:00 a.m.

CLOSED SESSION:

None

ADJOURNMENT:

Catherine Keim announced the next scheduled meeting would be Wednesday, April 17, 2019 at 9:00 a.m.

Brad Bellacicco made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Katrina Purnell, passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 10:05 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

<u>Catherine Keim</u>	<u>4/17/19</u>
Catherine Keim, Board President	Date
<u>Bill Blockston</u>	<u>4/17/19</u>
Bill Blockston	Date