

**BURKE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS
2128 SOUTH STERLING STREET-SUITE 100
MORGANTON NC 28655
FRIDAY NOVEMBER 15, 2024
CANVASS MEETING
11AM**

Attending; LH Kirksey, Anthony Iovino, Sandi Walker, and Linda Walker.

Beverly Carlton arrived at 11:20am

Staff; Kenny Rhyne, Trent Price, Dustin Wise, and Amy Moore

Guests; Pam Genant, Dot Williams, Tracey Norman, Don Sibel, Myra Moore, and Diane Scott. Late arrival Jordan Lester.

Chairman LH Kirksey called the meeting to order at 11AM, led the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by a moment of silence.

Public comments.

Myra Moore, Representative for Unifour said this was the fourth canvass she had attended.

Tracey Norman representing the Burke County Republican Party, thanked the board and staff for all of the work they had put into the election.

Linda Walker made the motion to approve the agenda as presented.

Approving, LH Kirksey, Linda Walker, Sandi Walker, Anthony Iovino.

Director Kenny Rhyne presented challenged votes for the board to address. This information had been provided to the Burke County Board of Elections from the State Board of Elections. Staff have researched the list provided by the SBoE and confirmed from SBoE data the ballots to be retrieved for (4) voters that had voted in early voting and passed away before election day and (4) voters that were or became a convicted felon before election day.

Note one of the convicted felon's ballot was denied during the supplemental/provisional meeting.

Notice has been made to the affected individuals informing them of the board action.

Once approval is given by the board, the ballots will be retrieved.

Sandi Walker made the motion to make official the action of acknowledgment of the challenged ballots and remove them from the ballots cast total in the Canvass and from the cast ballots files retained in our 2024 general election materials.

Supplementals (Absentee ballots received on 11-04-2024 and 11-05-2024) were processed on 11-14-2024 (129 total).

Three abstracts for these votes were filled out by board members, Sandi Walker, Linda Walker, and Anthony Iovino while chairman LH Kirksey read out the totals for each race from the result tape generated by the Spare 05 DS200.

Members then verified the totals recorded.

Beverly Carlton arrived and helped with the verification. Board members signed all the Supplemental abstracts.

Director Rhyne then gave the board members the cover sheet for the canvass to certify the election results for the 11-05-2024 Presidential Election.

FYI: staff returned the 7 challenged ballots that were removed to be filed with record retention and marked appropriately.

Staff presented the corrected total for the 2024 Presidential Election as 46,000 ballots cast.

Reconciliation of this election consists of 1 provisional ballot was mistakenly put into the DS200 at the Salem precinct on election day. The provisional count on the DS200 at the board of elections was 1 provisional ballot short. This balances each other out.

Director Rhyne then presented the abstracts of the election for the board members to sign.

The documents were:

2024 Election results by precinct

2024 Election block results by contest

2024 Election results by contest

All certified results will be sent to the appropriate entities for records file.

Anthony Iovino made the motion to adjourn at 12:05 Pm. All approved.

Submitted by Sandi Walker, Secretary