Provisional Canvass Minutes for the 2012 Primary Election

Board of Canvassers:

Mary Ann Keeffe

Donice Jeter Nancy Dacek

Graciela Rivera-Oven Nahid Khozeimeh David Naimon Jacqueline Phillips

LBE/Supervisory Staff:

Sara Harris and Bobbie Payne were present.

Board Counsel:

Kevin Karpinski was present as Board counsel.

## DECLARATION OF QUORUM PRESENT

The meeting of the Board of Canvassers began at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, April 11, 2012 at the Board of Elections, 18753 North Frederick Avenue, Suite 210, Gaithersburg, Maryland 20879-3124. There was a quorum of the Board of Canvassers, and at least one member of the Board of Canvassers who is a registered voter of the principal minority party was present. The canvass participants were:

Adelaida Hulen

Bobbie Payne

Brenda White

Brian McKevitt

Cheryl Sharpe

Christine Rzeszut

David Sagnay

Donna Cunningham

Edward McNally

Erlinda Caro

Janet Ross

Jody Benjamin

Lashelle Lee

Lisa Merino

Lois Bell

Margaret Jurgensen

Marjorie Roher

Mary Beth Habel

Michael McLaughlin

Pam Randall

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Phil Olivetti
Reiva Dausener
Samantha Campbell
Sara Harris
Stella Gonda
Tamara Moore
Tashelle Porter
Tegan Hendrickson
Tia Prince
Alan Vinh
Ellen Segal
Jason Dearborn
Kpalbondjo Kolani
Shafiq Satterfield
Susan Campbell

### PUBLIC OBSERVERS

Xavier Elder-Hensen

William Green

None.

### **CONFIRMATION OF OATH**

Prior to the commencement of the canvass, Loretta E. Knight, the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Montgomery County, administered and recorded the oath of each member of the Board of Canvassers. Substitute members of the Board of Elections and the Board Attorney were also sworn-in on the same day.

#### ELECTION/ANNOUNCEMENT OF OFFICERS

The Board of Canvassers elected Mary Ann Keeffe as Chairperson of the Board of Canvassers and Nancy H. Dacek as Secretary. The motion passed unanimously.

### PUBLIC NOTICE OF CANVASS

Public notice of the provisional canvass was provided by a media release, it was posted on the Montgomery County Board of Elections' website and was mailed to candidates.

### VERIFICATION OF OPTICAL SCAN VOTING UNITS

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The optical scan voting units being used in the canvass successfully passed Logic & Accuracy testing. Set forth below is the Logic & Accuracy testing documentation for each optical scan voting unit used in the canvass:

Voting Unit Serial Number(s)	Seal Number(s)
87649	16-172906
87667	16-172905
87695	16-172907
87651	16-172908

The optical scan voting unit's serial number and seal number are set forth below:

Seal Number(s)	
16-172906	
16-172905	
16-172907	
16-172908	

### CANVASSING

## Overview of Canvass Process

Sara Harris explained the rules concerning public observation of the canvass and provided an overview of the canvassing process. Sara Harris explained that each provisional ballot application was reviewed prior to it being canvassed to determine the voter's eligibility to vote in this election. At this canvass, the provisional ballot applications were presented to the Board of Canvassers with a recommendation. The recommendations were:

- 1. Accept provisional ballot application in full recommend counting all votes cast on the provisional ballot.
- 2. Accept provisional ballot application in part recommend counting some but not all votes cast on the provisional ballot style other than from the voter's jurisdiction, containing jurisdiction specific candidates, not available to out-of-jurisdiction voters, and statewide candidates, available to all voters. This was done because the voter voted a ballot.

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3. Reject provisional ballot application – recommend not counting the provisional ballot.

The Board of Canvassers voted to accept in full, accept in part, or reject the provisional ballots. The provisional ballots for which the Board voted to accept in full or accept in part were distributed to the bi-partisan ballot processing teams to open and review the ballots. The "accepted in full" ballots were scanned into the voting unit, and the "accepted in part" ballots were referred for duplication. The duplicating team copied onto the voter's correct ballot style the votes for the contests for which the provisional voter is eligible to vote.

# Canvass Participants

The members of the ballot processing, duplicating, and optical scan operating teams are listed below.

Names of Bi-Partisan Ballot Processing Members
Adelaida Hulen
Bobbie Payne
Brenda White
Brian McKevitt
Cheryl Sharpe
Christine Rzeszut
David Sagnay
Donna Cunningham
Edward McNally
Erlinda Caro
Janet Ross
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## Canvassing of Provisional Ballots

1,099 provisional ballots were presented for canvassing at this canvass.

# Public Observers

There were no public observers.

### Results

- 1. There were 753 provisional ballots with a recommendation to accept in full. The recommendation was based on the fact that staff had confirmed that each provisional application was submitted by a registered voter and was otherwise eligible to vote. The Board unanimously voted to accept the recommendation and accept and count the provisional ballots in full.
- 2. There were 104 provisional ballots with a recommendation to accept in part. The recommendation was based on the fact that staff had confirmed that each provisional application was submitted by a registered voter but it was not the correct provisional ballot.
- 3. There were 56 provisional ballots with a recommendation to reject because staff could not confirm that the applicant was a registered voter. The Board unanimously voted to accept the recommendation and reject the ballot(s).
- 4. There were 11 provisional ballots with a recommendation to reject because the applicant returned a voted absentee ballot or already voted. The Board unanimously voted to accept the recommendation and reject the ballot(s).
- 5. There were 162 provisional ballots with a recommendation to reject because the applicant voted the wrong primary ballot. The Board unanimously voted to accept the recommendation and reject the ballot(s).

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- 6. There were 10 provisional ballots with a recommendation to reject because the voter failed to sign the provisional ballot application. The Board unanimously voted to accept the recommendation and reject the ballot(s).
- 7. There were 0 provisional ballots with a recommendation to reject because the applicant was not eligible to receive a provisional ballot. The Board unanimously voted to accept the recommendation and reject the ballot(s).
- 8. There were 2 provisional ballots with a recommendation to reject because the applicant did not provide identification or personal identification information in time. The Board unanimously voted to accept the recommendation and reject the ballot(s).
- 9. Staff presented 0 provisional ballots with a recommendation to reject because there was no provisional ballot in the envelope. The Board unanimously voted to accept the recommendation and reject the ballot(s).

### **Printing Canvass Results**

After scanning all accepted in full and accepted in part provisional ballots, staff locked the voting unit and printed an Election Results Report. The Board of Canvassers confirmed that the number of accepted in full and accepted in part ballots equaled the number of ballots counted by the optical scan voting unit(s). The Board of Canvassers signed the Election Results Report and posted a second copy of the report.

### RELEASE OF UNOFFICIAL RESULTS

Provisional Statistics	Number of Ballots
Accepted in Full Ballots	753
Accepted in Part Ballots	104
Total Ballots Counted [Note to LBEs: should match public counter]	857
Rejected Ballots	242

### ADJOURNMENT

The canvass was adjourned upon the tabulation of the provisional results. The results were posted outside the canvass room.

Mary Ann Keeffe, Chairman

Montgomery County Board of Canvassers