

Montgomery County Board of Canvassers  
18753 North Frederick Ave  
Suite 210  
Gaithersburg, Maryland 20879-3124

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Provisional Canvass Minutes for 2018 General Election

**ATTENDEES:**

Board of Canvassers: James Shalleck, Chairperson  
Mary Ann Keeffe, Secretary  
Nahid Kozeimeh  
Alexander Vincent  
David Naimon  
Jacqueline Phillips, Substitute Member  
Alan Banov, Substitute Member

LBE/Supervisory Staff: Margaret Jurgensen, Election Director  
Alysoun McLaughlin, Deputy Election Director  
Jessica White, Voter Services Manager  
Barbara Payne, Program Specialist II  
Michelle Gonda, Office Services Coordinator

Board Counsel: Kevin Karpinski, Board Counsel

**DECLARATION OF QUORUM PRESENT**

The meeting of the Board of Canvassers began at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, November 14, 2018 at the Montgomery County Board of Elections, 18753 North Frederick Ave, Suite 210, Gaithersburg, MD 20879. 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.

**CANVASS PARTICIPANTS**

Alice Wong	Dale Ryan	Gerald Hurley	Linda Parmelee	Sam Hogan
Angela Harvey	Dawn Kilgore	Holly Johnson	Marcy Trost	Scott Springer
Anita Sharma	Deborah Broken Rope	James Williamson	Margaret Carney	Shirley Williams
Anna Scala	Delores Lee	Janete Herrera	Marty Prinz	Soumaia Amin
Anne Lafferty	Dianne Fontes	Jean Simpson	Mazin Abdelmoniem	Stephen Rosenberg
Audrey Adamson	Emily Koo	Jill Reese	Melody Mowl	Stuart Philipp
Barbara MacNeill	Eric Hoffpauir	Julia Biggs	Nanci Gubin	Susan Rittenberg
Bridget Gleason	Francis Filiatreau	Justin Golden	Ora Johnson	Suzanna Banwell
Carl Eichenwald	Francis Thompson	Karen Blanco	Pat Hodge	Vickie Witkin
Chandler Wiland	Frank Johnson	karen Copeland	peter korolkoff	Yuni Leroy
Chris Mowl	Gary Becker	Kenneth Marshall Jr.	Rakhee Goyal	
Clara Kim	George O'Hare	Kim Lewis	Ralph Lake	
Craig Messner	George Summers	Lauren Proctor	Richard Jackson	

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**PUBLIC OBSERVERS**

Debra Daniel	Sabrina Dawson
Graham Johnson	Sara Ferrell
Jodi Schulz	Stephen R Weiner

**CONFIRMATION OF OATH**

Prior to the commencement of the canvass, Barbara H. Meiklejohn, the Clerk of the 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**

James Shalleck was elected to serve as the Chairperson of the Board of Canvassers. Mary Ann Keeffe was elected to serve as the Secretary for the Board of Canvassers. The motion passed unanimously.

**PUBLIC NOTICE OF CANVASS**

Public notice of the first absentee canvass was provided by a media release on October 29, 2018, it was posted on the Montgomery County Board of Elections' website and was mailed to candidates.

**VERIFICATION OF BALLOT SCANNERS**

Margaret Jurgensen, Election Director, presented documents to the Board of Canvassers showing that the ballot scanners being used in the canvass successfully passed Logic and Accuracy Testing. Margaret Jurgensen reported that the memory cards created for this canvass were placed in the ballot scanners and sealed. Margaret Jurgensen provided the Board of Canvassers with the results from the Logic and Accuracy Testing. Margaret Jurgensen noted the following information from Logic and Accuracy Testing documentation for each ballot scanner being used in the canvass:

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**Provisional Tamper Tape**

**Unit #1 Serial Number: DS8514080142**

<b>Day 1</b> 11/14/2018	<b>Day 2/3</b> 11/15/2018 & 11/16/2018	<b>Day 4</b> 11/18/2018	<b>Day 5</b> 11/19/2018
Left Side: 60942189	Left Side: 60942170	Left Side: 60940860	Left Side: 60940858
Right Side (Top): 16-226831	Right Side (Top): 16-226831	Right Side (Top): 16-226831	Right Side (Top): 16-226831
Right Side (Middle): 60942188	Right Side (Middle): 60942169	Right Side (Middle): 60940859	Right Side (Middle): 60940857
Right Side (Bottom): 16-226833	Right Side (Bottom): 16-226833	Right Side (Bottom): 16-226833	Right Side (Bottom): 16-226833

**Provisional Tamper Tape**

**Unit #2 Serial Number: DS8516080267**

<b>Day 1</b> 11/14/2018	<b>Day 2</b> 11/15/2018 & 11/16/2018
Left Side: 60942173	Left Side: 60940860
Right Side (Top): 16-226837	Right Side (Top): 16-226837
Right Side (Middle): 60942174	Right Side (Middle): 60940859
Right Side (Bottom): 16-226832	Right Side (Bottom): 16-226832

**Provisional Tamper Tape**

**Unit #3 Serial Number: DS8514090137**

<b>Day 1</b> 11/14/2018	<b>Day 2</b> 11/15/2018 & 11/16/2018
Left Side: 60942177	Left Side: 60940857
Right Side (Top): 16-226864	Right Side (Top): 16-226864
Right Side (Middle): 60942178	Right Side (Middle): 60940856
Right Side (Bottom): 16-226863	Right Side (Bottom): 16-226863

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The Board of Canvassers confirmed that the counts on the ballot scanners were zero. The Board of Canvassers posted one copy of the Zero Report from the ballot scanners on the outside door to the Training Room. A second copy of the Zero Report, which remained attached to the ballot scanners, was printed. The Board of Canvassers signed the Zero Report attached to the ballot scanners.

**BALLOT SCANNING PARTICIPANTS**

Andre Johnson	Joy Ehidiemhen	Tim Gartrell	Scott Moore (ES&S Observer)
Bryan Geyer	Justin Kolani	William Wall	
Darlington Brima	Leo Thompson	John Spiers (SBE Observer)	
Janet Ross	Lisa Jones	Corey Heng (ES&S Observer)	
Jerry Quarshie	Sean Syed	Glen Tilley (ES&S Observer)	

**CANVASSING**

Overview of Canvass Process

James Shalleck, President of the Board of Elections and Chair of the Board of Canvassers provided an introduction to the canvass teams. Margaret Jurgensen, Election Director, explained the rules concerning public observation of the canvass, provided an overview of the canvassing process, and noted that the rules were posted in the canvass room.

Margaret Jurgensen, Election Director, explained that each provisional ballot application was reviewed prior to canvassing to determine the voter's eligibility to vote in this election and the voter's correct ballot style. 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.
3. Reject provisional ballot application – recommend not counting the provisional ballot – for one of the reasons below.

Canvassing the Provisional Ballots

10,502 Provisional Ballots were presented for canvassing at this canvass.

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Results

1. Election Director/staff presented 7,391 provisional ballots with the recommendation to accept them 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 cast in the correct precinct where that voter currently resides. The Board unanimously voted to accept the recommendation and accept and count the provisional ballots in full.
2. Election Director/staff presented 2,061 provisional ballots with the recommendation to accept them in part. The recommendation was based on the fact that staff had confirmed that each provisional application was submitted by a registered voter and the provisional ballot was cast in the wrong precinct. The Board unanimously voted to accept the recommendation, and the ballots were referred to the duplicating team.
3. Election Director/staff presented 893 provisional ballots with the 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 ballots.
4. Election Director/staff presented 55 provisional ballots with the 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 ballots.
5. Election Director/staff presented 25 provisional ballots with the recommendation to reject because the voter failed to sign the provisional ballot application. The Board unanimously voted to accept the recommendation and reject the ballots.
6. Election Director/staff presented 2 provisional ballots with the 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 ballots.
7. Election Director/staff presented 15 provisional ballots with the 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 ballots.
8. Election Director/staff presented 5 provisional ballots with the recommendation to reject because the applicant provided incomplete information on the provisional ballot application. The Board unanimously voted to accept the recommendation and reject the ballots.
9. Election Director/staff presented 31 provisional ballots with the recommendation to reject because the applicant provided his or her driver's license or social security number, but the number was not verified. The Board unanimously voted to accept the recommendation and reject the ballots.
10. Election Director/staff presented 15 provisional ballots with the recommendation to reject because the applicant will not be or is not 18 years old or older by the general election. The Board unanimously voted to accept the recommendation and reject the ballots.

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11. Election Director/staff presented 9 provisional ballots with the recommendation to reject because the applicant did not provide proof of residency in time. The Board unanimously voted to accept the recommendation and reject the ballots.

Reject Code 1 - Applicant is not registered to vote	893
Reject Code 2 - Applicant returned a voted absentee ballot or already voted	55
Reject Code 4 - No signature on application	25
Reject Code 5 - Applicant not eligible to receive a provisional ballot	2
Reject Code 6 - Identification or DL# or SS# was not timely received	15
Reject Code 7 - Incomplete information was provided on the application	5
Reject Code 8 - DL# or SS# was received but was not verified	31
Reject Code 15 - Underage	15
Reject Code 16 - Proof of residency was not timely received	9

Printing Canvass Results

After scanning all accepted absentee ballots, staff locked the ballot scanners and printed an Election Results Report. The Board of Canvassers confirmed the number of ballots counted by the ballot scanners. The Board of Canvassers signed the Voting Results Report and posted a second copy of the report outside the canvass room.

**RELEASE OF UNOFFICIAL RESULTS**

Provisional Canvass Statistics	Number of Ballots
Total Provisional Ballots Presented Provisional Canvass	10,502
Accepted in Full	7,391
Accepted in Part	2,061
Total Ballots Counted	9,452
<b>Total Rejected Provisional Ballots</b>	<b>1,050</b>

**NEXT BOARD OF CANVASSERS' MEETING**

The Board of Canvassers next met on Friday, November 23, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. to conduct Absentee 2 Canvass.