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Arlington County Electoral Board Meeting Minutes November 8, 2023

The Electoral Board of Arlington County met on November 8, 2023 at the Arlington County Office Building, 2100 Clarendon Blvd., Room 318. The meeting was called to order by Chair Kimberly Phillip at 12:01 p.m. Also present were Richard Samp, Vice Chair, Dominick Schirripa, Member, and Gretchen Reinemeyer, Director of Elections.

The Board immediately went into closed session pursuant to Va. Code § 24.2-653.01 to determine the validity of provisional votes cast at the General Election on November 7, 2023. One voter appeared to provide testimony to the Board concerning a provisional ballot cast.

The Board recessed the provisional ballot determination session at 1:05 p.m. and went into open session to begin the canvass of the votes cast at the November 7, 2023 General Election.

Mr. Samp moved that the Board provisionally agree to request approval from the Department of Elections for a batch comparison risk-limiting audit (RLA) of the result in the 40th Senate District contest, assuming that upon completion of the canvass, that race satisfies all statutory and regulatory requirements for such an audit. Ms. Philip seconded and after discussion of the motion, it was unanimously approved.

Ms. Reinemeyer then updated the Board on the arrangements that would be necessary in order to conduct the RLA, including the staffing of the audit boards, public notice, and public access in person and through web streaming. Ms. Reinemeyer to discuss with the Clerk of the Circuit Court certain logistical prerequisites such that the RLA can occur the week of November 27, 2023.

Upon completion of the canvass of votes cast at in-person Election Day precincts, the Board unanimously agreed to recess the canvass meeting at 3:22 p.m. subject to the call of the chair.

The Board reconvened pursuant to the prior motion on November 12, 2023 at 1:04 p.m. and proceeded in closed session pursuant to Va. Code § 24.2-653.01 to determine the validity of certain provisional votes cast at the November 7, 2023 General Election.

The Board unanimously agreed at 5:51 p.m. to recess the canvass meeting until 1:30 p.m. on November 13, 2023.

The Board reconvened at 1:30 p.m. on November 13, 2023 pursuant to the prior order and proceeded to closed session pursuant to Va. Code § 24.2-653.01 to determine the validity of certain provisional votes cast at the November 7, 2023 General Election.

The Board completed the closed session on provisional ballots and returned to open session at 4:48 p.m. to continue the canvass of votes cast at the November 7, 2023 General Election with the canvass of mail-in ballots received.

Upon completion of the canvass of all votes cast at the November 7, 2023 General Election and confirmation that the 40th Senate District contest did meet all necessary conditions for a RLA, the Board unanimously confirmed the prior motion to request approval from the Department of Elections for a batch comparison RLA of the 40th Senate District contest.

There being no further business, Ms. Philip moved that the meeting be adjourned. The motion was unanimously adopted and the Board adjourned at 6:42 p.m. on November 13, 2023.

Kimberly Phillip, Chair

Richard Samp, Vice Chair

Dominick Schirripa, Secretary