



**VOTER REGISTRATATION
AND ELECTIONS
City of Fairfax
November 9-14, 2022
Electoral Board Meeting Minutes**



Brenda F. Cabrera
Director of Elections/General Registrar

Electoral Board
Chairman: Jeffrey White
Vice Chairman: James McCall
Secretary: Richard Herrington

November 9, 2022

PRESENT:

Mr. Jeffrey White, Chairman; Mr. James McCall, Vice Chairman; Mr. Richard Herrington, Secretary Ms. Brenda Cabrera, Director of Elections/General Registrar (DE/GR), Ms. Elizabeth Fiore, Officer of Election and Ms. Anahita Renner, candidate for City Council.

CALL TO ORDER:

The Chairman called the Canvass for the November 8, 2022 General Election to order at 10:05 a.m.; he recognized the members of the public in attendance and explained their responsibilities as observers.

The Chairman opened the Provisional Ballot meeting at 10:10 a.m. The DE/GR reported her staff was still researching many provisional ballots; it was noted there were a large number of "Same Day Registration" (SDR) provisional ballots; no ID Only Provisional Ballots had been submitted for this election. As no person was present to address the Electoral Board concerning provisional ballots and research was on-going, the Provisional Ballot meeting was immediately recessed and will reconvene when research was completed.

Ascertainment of the election began following established procedures beginning with Precinct One.

At 11:26 a.m., the Canvass stood in recess for ten (10) minutes.

At 11:36 a.m. the Canvass reconvened to continue ascertainment.

At 1:05 p.m., the Canvass stood in recess for 15 minutes.

At 1:20 p.m. the Canvass reconvened to continue ascertainment.

At 1:32 p.m., the Electoral Board finished all ascertainment actions that could be done on November 9, 2022. Further ascertainment was on hold awaiting the administrative (research) activities of the staff of the DE/GR. After discussion, the Electoral Board determined the Canvass could continue on Monday November 14, 2022. The Electoral Board recessed the Canvass at 1:39 p.m. The Canvass will reconvene on Monday, November 14, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. unless advised by the DE/GR that provisional ballot research was complete and would allow an earlier start.

The Electoral Board noted the effectiveness of the officers of election and was most complimentary of the actions of the many officers of election that served on November 8, 2022. With the exception of a few minor administrative anomalies, the election had gone smoothly. There was one incident which occurred at Precinct 3 (Daniel's Run Elementary School) that will require a review of procedures and



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coordination with the City of Fairfax Police Department. The DE/GR was tasked to effect the necessary follow-up actions.

The Electoral Board and Canvass stood in recess at 1:38 p.m.

November 14, 2022

PRESENT:

Mr. Jeffrey White, Chairman; Mr. James McCall, Vice Chairman; Mr. Richard Herrington, Secretary Ms. Brenda Cabrera, Director of Elections/General Registrar (DE/GR), and Ms. Anahita Renner, candidate for City Council.

CALL TO ORDER:

The Chairman called the Canvass for the November 8, 2022 General Election to order at 10:10 a.m.; he recognized Ms. Anahita Renner and explained her responsibilities as an observer.

DE/GR REPORT

The DE/GR reported that stated that the staff had completed all administrative actions required and additionally had completed the necessary research on provisional ballots.

CANVASS

The Electoral Board continued canvass related activity and was complete with the exception of provisional ballots by 10:38 a.m.

PROVISIONAL BALLOTS MEETING

At 10:39 a.m. the Chairman stated, "I move the Canvass be convened in closed session pursuant to § 24.2-653.B of the Code of Virginia to evaluate the eligibility of provisional voters for the purpose of considering whether each person who submitted a provisional ballot at the Election was qualified to do so, and I also move that the DE/GR and Ms. Anahita Renner, candidate for City Council, as specified in § 24.2-653.B, be allowed to remain in the room during the closed meeting, and that any persons who cast provisional votes and who are present be allowed to enter the room while their qualifications are considered and to present any relevant information on their behalf to the Board." The motion was seconded by the Vice Chairman and when the question was called, the motion passed unanimously.

At 11:28 a.m., the Chairman moved that the provisional ballots meeting of the Electoral Board of the City of Fairfax adjourn and the Electoral Board reconvene in open session. The motion was seconded by the Vice Chairman and passed unanimously.

At 11:30 a.m. the Chairman stated, "I move the Electoral Board of the City of Fairfax certify that in closed session just concluded the only matters discussed were the qualifications of provisional voters, as directed by § 24.2-653.B of the Code of Virginia, and as identified in the motion to close the meeting pursuant to the Virginia Freedom of Information Act, and that the motion be approved in open session."



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The Vice Chairman seconded the motion. When the question was called, the motion passed unanimously:

Roll Call Vote:

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Vote:</u>
Chairman	Jeffrey White	<u>Aye</u>
Vice Chairman	James McCall	<u>Aye</u>
Secretary	Richard L. Herrington	<u>Aye</u>

In open session at 11:31 a.m., the Canvass stood in recess; at 11:45 a.m. it reconvened. All provisional ballots, in precinct order, were reviewed and the eligibility of voters to cast provisional ballots was determined.

The Electoral Board voted on the eligibility of 149 provisional ballots:

- The Electoral Board determined 142 provisional ballots were eligible to be counted.
- The Electoral Board determined 7 provisional ballots were not eligible to be counted.

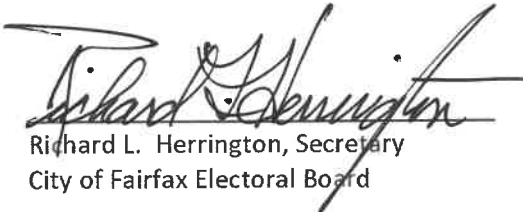
The 142 provisional ballots were cast and votes tallied. The EB completed the statements of results (SOR) and the provisional ballot results were entered into VERIS. The DE/GR began preparation of the necessary abstracts and election documents at 3:00 p.m. At 3:15 p.m. the Canvass stood in recess until 3:30 p.m.

The Canvass reconvened at 3:37 p.m. The DE/GR notified the Electoral Board processing of the required documents was complete; she presented to the Electoral Board the necessary abstracts of the election for review and signature. The necessary documents were signed without delay. The DE/GR stated that information related to the incident at Precinct 3 had been reported to the appropriate authorities.

The Electoral Board again complimented the DE/GR for the efforts of her staff and the overall performance of officers of election during the General Election.

At 5:10 p.m., all election related documents had been reviewed, signed, sealed and the Secretary had made arrangements for delivery of the documents to the Clerk of the Court.

The Canvass adjourned at 5:17 p.m.


Richard L. Herrington, Secretary
City of Fairfax Electoral Board