

Electoral Board Meeting November 29, 2016

The Chesapeake Electoral Board met in the Office of the General Registrar on Tuesday, November 29, 2016 at 10:00 am. Those in attendance were David Midkiff, Secretary; Elizabeth “Beth” Banks, Chairman; Duane McNair, Vice Chairman; Mary Lynn A. Pinkerman, General Registrar and Erica Hibner-Reavis, Assistant Registrar.

Agenda:

- Adopt Minutes from November 8, 2016 Canvass
- Election Review

Beth called the meeting to order.

David motioned to adopt the minutes from the November 8, 2016 Canvass. Duane seconded the motion. Being no opposition, the board unanimously voted to adopt the minutes as presented.

Mary Lynn presented information concerning the Central Absentee Voting Precinct (CAVP) Pre-Processing of Absentee Ballots. She stated one of the slow downs of the preprocessing was that hand counted ballots cannot be counted until after the polls close on Election Day. This election there were 496. Additionally, write-ins required hand counting as well. Also, rejected and problem ballots could not be counted during preprocessing and also had to be reserved to be resolved on Election Day. This election there were 98. All of these tasks are in addition to counting a large volume of ballots which are received by mail on Monday and Tuesday. Because these procedures are dictated by election law, David proposed to contact our representatives to suggest a change to the law.

Mary Lynn also reported several of the precincts will have to be split. The Board specifically discussed Precinct 0006 – Deep Creek stating it has close to 5000 registered voters and almost 3000 turned out to vote in this election.

Mary Lynn also shared that one slowdown in processing voter registration records is the volume of reregistrations that are received. These applications have to be processed just like new applications in the VERIS system but also require additional manpower to pull the old alpha card and file it in deletes.

The Board also discussed a revision of the Statement of Results.

Being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

David Midkiff, Secretary
Minutes submitted by Erica Hibner-Reavis, Assistant Registrar