

**POST-ELECTION MEETING OF THE
DELAWARE COUNTY ELECTION BOARD
JUNE 6, 2022**

PRESENT: Gerald Lawrence
Ashley Lunkenheimer
John P. McBlain
Manly Parks, Solicitor
Jim Allen, Director of Elections
Lisa Jackson, Campaign Finance
Crystal Winterbottom, Voter Registration
Public Comment:
Amy Moulton, Nether Providence 4-1
Kathleen Peterson, Upper Providence
Joy Schwartz, Upper Darby 3-3
Dorothy Dougherty, Haverford Twp. 6-4
Karen Fritz, Haverford 8-1

Mr. Lawrence called the meeting to order

Pledge of Allegiance

Consideration of Agenda. Mr. Allen asked for consideration to certify the original counts and separately certify the counts with the ballots from the undated envelopes, pursuant to court orders.

Director of Elections Report. Mr. Allen thanked the staff for their hard work on the election and updated the board on the status of the recount in the Republican Primary for US Senate. There was a net change of three votes in the margin in Delaware County (five more votes for candidate McCormick and 2 more votes for candidate Oz). Mr. Allen then thanked the County Executive Director as well as Francine Lock and the Purchasing Agent, as well as others for their help to procure two high speed scanners of a different model that could be used for the recount, instead of using slower precinct scanners.

Accumulations of Write - In Votes. It was stated there were 48 write-in candidates for Democratic Committee Persons and one candidate for Republican candidate in State Senate District 8 seeking accumulations of write in votes. There was general agreement that the Senate write in should be done in Harrisburg. A motion was made by Mr. McBlain and seconded by Ms. Lunkenheimer to approve the 48 accumulations for Democratic Committee Persons. Motion carried 3-0.

Mr. McBlain moved and Ms. Lunkenheimer seconded a motion that to the extent the Board has authority to cumulate Mr. Hayes' write-in votes for State Senate District 8, the Board acknowledged accumulation. Motion carried 3-0.

Certification of Results of the May 17, 2022 Primary. Mr. McBlain moved to certify the original count from the May 17, 2022 in addition to also certifying the original count with the inclusion of the 46 democrat and 12 republican envelopes not dated, pursuant to court order received by

the Department of State. Ms. Lunkenheimer seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. A motion was made by Mr. McBlain and seconded by Ms. Lunkenheimer to certify the recount. Motion carried 3-0.

Campaign Finance: No requests were filed.

Public Comment. Ms. Moulton gave statements regarding her positive and satisfying experiences working the polls as well as stating her precinct ran well and free of issues. Mr. Lawrence thanked her for coming and sharing positive feedback.

Ms. Peterson reiterated that she experienced the election to run smoothly and effectively.

Ms. Schwartz stated that the election ran smooth with both new and old members working. Ms. Schwartz then stated she still had concerns on if it was accurate and valid. She then expressed her concerns on the drop boxes, machines malfunctioning etc. and suggested a Town Hall to discuss these issues. She then expressed concerns of the Blue Crest machine being down so sorting needed to be done by hand and suggested that the machines may be more of a hassle then worth and there should be consideration to not use them. Ms. Schwartz went on to discuss other items she perceives with chain of custody, access to rooms that observers still not allowed in and the layout of the office entrances. There was further discussion to address her concerns.

Ms. Dougherty was a clerk in the 6th ward of Haverford. Ms. Dougherty requested that the live stream from the Wharf and drop boxes be kept for 2 years. Mr. Lawrence stated the solicitor will look into this inquiry.

Ms. Fritz stated she was an observer and expressed concern that the back room has no camera where she perceived ballots are stored in totes as well as not having access to other rooms in the Wharf complex such as the ballot room and internet room. It was explained that the totes visible in the office section on the other side of the large room are past election materials. It was also mentioned that the court order of 2020 by the court was only for 2020 and Delaware County allows more access than needed by law. It was then commented that the internet room is an office for IT and not in the statute but there would be consideration on that request.

Next meeting anticipated to be June 28, 2022

Meeting adjourned.