

MONTGOMERY COUNTY ELECTORAL BOARD

Minutes

June 24, 25, and 26, 2020

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 pm on June 24th at the Montgomery County Government Center, 755 Roanoke Street in Christiansburg. Chairman Dean Dowdy and Secretary Carroll Williams were present. Vice-Chairman John Sills was absent. Registrar Connie Viar was in attendance.

Secretary Williams moved to approve the minutes from the March 4, 5, and 6, 2020 meeting. Chairman Dowdy seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

The Board began the canvass of the June 23, 2020 Republican Senate Primary. Statements of Results were reviewed. Printout tapes, ancillary forms, and statement entries were compared for accuracy. Signatures of Officers of Election were confirmed.

At 2:05 pm, the canvass was paused, and the provisional ballot meeting was convened in open session. Registrar Viar presented her research on the two provisional ballots cast in the Republican Primary and answered questions from the Board. The Board voted to approve one ballot. A decision on the second ballot, cast for lack of photo identification on Election Day, was postponed. No photo documentation had yet been received at the Registrar's office. The Board returned to the canvass at 2:09 pm and recessed for the day at 3:55 pm.

The Board reconvened the canvass meeting on Thursday, June 25th at 10:00 am. Chairman Dowdy and Secretary Williams were present, and Registrar Viar was in attendance. The Board completed its review of precinct paperwork. Since no photo ID had been submitted for the remaining provisional ballot, the Board chose not to reconvene the provisional ballot meeting. The canvas meeting was recessed at 10:30 am.

On Friday, June 26th, the Board reconvened the canvass at 1:00 pm. Chairman Dowdy and Secretary Williams were present. Registrar Viar was in attendance. The provisional ballot meeting was reconvened in open session at 1:05 pm. The Registrar reported that no photo ID was received by the Friday noon deadline, so the Board voted to reject the remaining provisional ballot. The Board examined the approved provisional ballot and entered the result on the Provisional Precinct Statement of Results.

Of the two provisional ballots cast in the June 23, 2020 Republican Senate Primary, the Board approved one. One ballot was rejected because the voter did not provide photo identification before the deadline.

There was no other business and the meeting was adjourned at 1:30 pm.

Marshall D. Dowdy
Chairman

John A. Sills
Vice-Chairman

Carroll D. Williams
Secretary