

HOWARD COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS MEETING MINUTES

9770 Patuxent Woods Drive, Suite 200
Columbia, MD 21046

Monday, November 3, 2020 – 9:00 pm

Special Open Board Meeting

ATTENDEES:

Board Members:

Donna K. Thewes	Board President, Republican Member
Ann M. Balcerzak	Vice President, Democratic Member
Diane L. Butler	Republican Member
Timothy J. Mummert	Republican Member
Raymond M. Rankin	Democratic Member

Absent: Michael S. Molinaro Board Counsel

Staff: None

Guests: None

CALL TO ORDER AND DECLARATION OF QUORUM

Board President Donna Thewes called the meeting to order at 9:00 pm and stated that all members of the Board were in attendance. The meeting was duly publicized per COMAR regulations. President Thewes stated that the meeting was called solely to fulfill COMAR Regulation 33.08.05.04 (by authority in the Notice of Emergency Action taken by the State Board of Elections), requiring the Board of Elections to randomly select for post-election verification and auditing at minimum one Voting Center used on November 3, 2020.

Tim Mummert made a motion to audit the Long Reach High School Vote Center, and Ray Rankin seconded the motion.

Action: The Board voted unanimously to select Long Reach High School as the Vote Center for the Post Election Audit.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, President Thewes asked for a motion to adjourn the Special Open Board Meeting. Tim Mummert made a motion to adjourn, which was seconded by Ray Rankin.

Action: The Board unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 9:02 pm.

The next Board of Canvassers meetings will be held on:

1. Thursday, November 5, 2020 at 9:00 am (virtually) and 3:00 pm in person at the Board of Elections Office;
2. Thursday, November 12, 2020 at 9:00 am in person at the Board of Elections Office for the Provisional Canvass and continuation of the Mail in Ballot Canvass;
3. Friday, November 13, 2020 in person at Lake Elkhorn Middle School – Gymnasium, for the final day of the Mail in Ballot Canvass as well as Election Certification.

The next regular open meeting of the Howard County Board of Elections is scheduled for Monday, November 30, 2020 at 4:00 pm (rescheduled due to the holiday).

Respectfully Submitted,

Phyllis A. West, Board Secretary

Donna K. Thewes, Board President