

ST. LUCIE COUNTY CANVASSING BOARD ACTION MINUTES
FOR AUGUST 20, 2024 PRIMARY ELECTION

SATURDAY, AUGUST 17, 2024

CANVASSING BOARD ATTENDEES:

- ❖ Judge Edmond Alonzo (County Court Judge)
- ❖ Debora Johnson (Substitute Member for County Commission)

ATTORNEYS:

- ❖ Katherine Barbieri, Esq. (Assistant St. Lucie County Attorney)
- ❖ Caroline Valentin, Esq. (Assistant St. Lucie County Attorney)
- ❖ Steven Gieseler, Esq. (Supervisor of Elections Counsel)

ELECTIONS STAFF:

- ❖ Kris Barcomb (Supervisor of Elections Staff)
- ❖ Amber McCants (Supervisor of Elections Staff)
- ❖ Peter Lomonaco (Supervisor of Elections Staff)
- ❖ Neal Sullivan (Supervisor of Elections Staff)
- ❖ Tywann Clemons (Supervisor of Elections Staff)
- ❖ Franklin Belizaire (OPEX)
- ❖ Other SOE staff
- ❖ Kathy Cabre Enloe (Court Reporter-Esquire Reporting, Inc.)

PUBLIC ATTENDEE SPEAKERS:

- ❖ NONE

CANVASSING BOARD BUSINESS:

- ❖ Meeting called to order at 9:00 A.M. Mrs. Walker introduced Canvassing Board members and counsel.
- ❖ Attorney Valentin reviewed rules of decorum.
- ❖ Judge Alonzo moved to open public comment. Second by Ms. Johnson. There was no public comment.

- ❖ Mrs. Walker reminded poll workers opening and separating ballots about voter confidentiality.
- ❖ Mrs. Walker announced the cage under Seal #0499797 had been broken containing 3,734 ballots to be canvassed at today's session, having been verified by staff, as well as four overseas ballots, one damaged envelope, 15 signature cure affidavits and 36 mismatched signature/household ballot envelopes.
- ❖ Judge Alonso moved to commence opening of ballots for today's session. Second by Ms. Johnson. Motion carried unanimously.
- ❖ Four overseas ballots were opened and duplicated. Inquiry from an authorized observer as to their ability to inspect the mismatched signature/household ballot envelopes. Judge Alonzo noted that review is not required under current Board criteria, but the Supervisor may, at her pleasure, permit that inspection. Those ballots were sent for tabulation. One damaged ballot envelope was presented to the Board. Once opened, the ballot was intact and was sent for tabulation. The 15 signature cure affidavits were reviewed by the Board, displayed on overhead screen, each voted on individually, with 14 being accepted and one tabled for further investigation as to signatures available on file. The Board was advised by Ms. Walker that during the inspection period, 13 signature challenges had been raised, but had been withdrawn. Two remaining challenges were reviewed and addressed by the Board. Tabulation staff presented several ballots needing duplication and Board duplicated and logged.
- ❖ Mrs. Walker thanked poll workers for their assistance and excused them.
- ❖ The Board continued review and duplication.
- ❖ Staff presented a sample ballot received, which was determined by the Board to be eligible to be counted. Same was duplicated and sent for tabulation.
- ❖ Duplication process continued with Board displaying each for observers to view.
- ❖ Upon completion, the cage under Seal #0648111 was broken. Box containing duplicated ballots, signature cure affidavits and log sheets were boxed under Seal #95-009. Box containing original ballots were boxed under Seal #95-010. Today's materials were placed in cage under Seal #0648190.
- ❖ Mrs. Walker announced the next meeting would be Tuesday, August 20, 2024, at 4:00 P.M.

❖ Judge Alonzo moved to adjourn. Second by Ms. Johnson. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 11:10 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Cabre Enloe, Court Reporter