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TELE-CONFERENCE, July 1, 2020
MONTGOMERY COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS' MEETING
18753 N. Frederick Avenue, Suite 212, Gaithersburg, MD 20879

In Attendance:

Board Members:

James F. Shalleck, President (on site)
Nahid Khozeimeh, Vice President (via phone)
David A. Naimon, Secretary (on site)
Diane Nash Dillon (via phone)
Elisse W. Barnes (via phone)
Jacqueline L. Phillips (via phone)
Alan Banov (via phone)

Board Attorney:

Kevin Karpinski (via phone)

Staff:

Margaret Jurgensen, Director (onsite)
Alysoun McLaughlin, Deputy Director (on site)
Kera Bumbray, Management and Budget Specialist (on site)
Lisa Merino, Administrative Specialist (on site)
Janet Ross, Information Technology Manager (on site)

Audio of the meeting may be found on YouTube at the link below:

<https://youtu.be/pfHn04WsSVg>

Convene as Board of Canvassers [00:00:01]

Mr. Shalleck declared a quorum present.

The Board members on site were presented with absentee ballots that were received after the deadline of June 12. The ballots were previously reviewed by staff.

Ms. Khozeimeh moved to reject the ballots received too late. The motion was seconded by Ms. Phillips and passed unanimously.

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Certification [00:04:31]

Ms. Jurgensen reported that 264,284 ballots were counted; 259,271 ballots received by mail - 219,778 ballots voted by prepaid postal service; 11,093 via web delivery, 28,400 by non-web, 4,584 cast at vote centers and 429 provisionals.

8,329 Vote by Mail ballots were rejected. Prior to today, 7,766, were rejected as untimely, 30 were rejected due receiving more than one ballot in the same envelope for the voter, 13 were rejected due to identifying marks on the ballot, 79 were rejected as their registration could not be verified, and 441 were rejected due to lack of signature on the oath.

Ms. Jurgensen added that 14,403 ballots were returned as undelivered with no forwarding address. Those voters will be designated as inactive, according to the list maintenance process of the State Board of Elections. New ballots were issued to those undeliverable ballots that were in County moves, addresses that were out of county and within Maryland were sent to their respective Counties. Addresses that were out of State require additional steps to be taken prior to the voter being inactivated.

Ms. Jurgensen's full report can be found [here](#).

Post-Election Audit [00:07:32]

Ms. Jurgensen reported that the State Board of Elections requires that each local board complete audit steps to ensure that all procedures of the election were conducted correctly. She added the Montgomery County Board of Elections conducted list maintenance monthly, conducted logic and accuracy testing, provided the allocation of verified voting equipment, verified pollbook logs that showed vote centers opened on time, provided totals matched on results tapes, provided documentation that each site meet the standards for accessibility, and ballot accounting and chain of custody for the drop boxes.

Montgomery County received approval to certify the election based on the results of the Clear Ballot audit. The Clear Ballot software is an independent tabulation of the results from the images of the ballots. Clear Ballot verified the accuracy of the election.

Ms. Khozeimeh moved to certify the 2020 Primary Election. The motion was seconded by Ms. Phillips and passed unanimously.

The Certification document was signed by the Board President and Board Secretary and can be found [here](#).

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Adjournment [00:11:58]

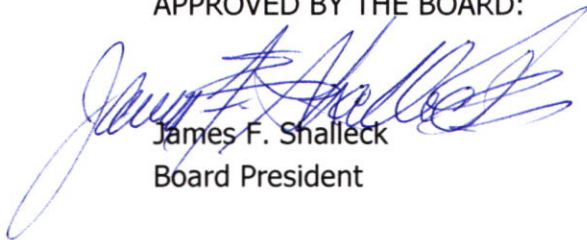
With nothing more to discuss, *Ms. Khozeimeh moved to adjourn the Board of Canvassers meeting. The motion was seconded Ms. Dillon and passed unanimously.*

Respectfully Submitted,



Lisa Merino
Administrative Specialist II

APPROVED BY THE BOARD:



James F. Shalleck
Board President