

**HAMILTON COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS
MEETING HELD
MAY 12, 2020 at 8:30AM**

The meeting of the Hamilton County Board of Elections was called to order at 8:30am by Chair Gwen McFarlin. Present were members Mr. Triantafilou, Mr. Faux and Mr. Gerhardt. Also present: Director Sherry Poland and Deputy Director Sally Krisel and David Stevenson with the Hamilton County Prosecutor's office. Due to COVID-19 and Ohio Governor Mike DeWine's stay at home order, the meeting was live streamed for public viewing.

Ms. McFarlin noted that proper notice was duly provided as required by O.R.C. 121.22. Ms. McFarlin opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

I. APPROVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES: APRIL 28, 2020

Mr. Triantafilou made a motion to approve the Board Meeting Minutes for April 28, 2020; Mr. Faux seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

II. APPROVE: BALLOT REMAKES

Ms. Criddle presented the following ballots to the Board. All were remade by bipartisan teams pursuant to Secretary of State Directive and Board policy:

Remakes: Damaged
A1096 – A1104
A1114 – A1120
A1130

Mr. Triantafilou made a motion to approve the ballots as remade; Mr. Faux seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Remakes: UOCAVA
A1112 – A1113

Mr. Triantafilou made a motion to approve the ballots as remade; Mr. Faux seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Remakes: Improperly Marked
A1121 – A1127

Mr. Triantafilou made a motion to approve the ballots as remade; Mr. Faux seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Remakes: 2nd Sheet mismatch*
A1129

Mr. Triantafilou made a motion to approve the ballot as remade; Mr. Faux seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

***Symmes Twp two sheet ballot: Ballots must match via serial number; this ballot was mismatched to an incorrect serial number; remade for ballot accounting purposes.**

**Remakes: Stray Marks
A1131 – A1133**

Mr. Triantafilou made a motion to approve the ballots as remade; Mr. Faux seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

**Remakes: Wrong Precinct*
A1105 – A1111
A1128**

Mr. Triantafilou made a motion to approve the ballots as remade; Mr. Faux seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

***Voter sent incorrect precinct Ballot; a correct ballot was resent to the voter but not returned; the first voted ballot was then remade to correct precinct.**

III. APPROVE: PROVISIONAL BALLOT REPORT

The Board reviewed the Summary Staff Recommendation for the March 17, 2020 Primary Election dated May 11, 2020:

Total # of Provisional Ballots issued:	4,316
Total # of Provisional Ballots returned by Voter:	3,104
<u>Total # Accepted:</u>	<u>2,379</u>
Accepted:	2,326
Wrong Precinct Ballot:	43
APRI Exception – 2011:	1
APRI Exception – 2013:	1
APRI Exception – 2015:	5
APRI Exception – 2019:	3

The Board reviewed the Provisional Ballots identified by staff for rejection prior to approving the Staff recommendation for the total number accepted. The Ballots were presented by category:

<u>Total # Rejected:</u>	<u>723</u>
Not Registered:	249

Mr. Triantafilou made a motion to accept the staff recommendation to reject these ballots; Mr. Faux seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

No Signature: 7 Mr. Triantafilou made a motion to accept the staff recommendation to reject this ballot; Mr. Faux seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

No ID*: 12 Mr. Triantafilou made a motion to accept the staff recommendation to reject these ballots; Mr. Faux seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

***No ID provided or ID provided does not match BOE records**

Signature Mismatch* 4 Mr. Triantafilou made a motion to accept the staff recommendation to reject these ballots; Mr. Faux seconded.

***Signature provided does not match BOE records**

No Ballot: 5 Mr. Triantafilou made a motion to accept the staff recommendation to reject these envelopes; Mr. Faux seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Voted Absentee: 5 Mr. Triantafilou made a motion to accept the staff recommendation to reject these ballots; Mr. Faux seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

No Printed Name: 1 Mr. Triantafilou made a motion to accept the staff recommendation to reject this ballot; Mr. Faux seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Wrong County* 1 Mr. Triantafilou made a motion to accept the staff recommendation to reject this ballot; Mr. Faux seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

***Voter no longer lives in Hamilton County**

No Address: 4 Mr. Triantafilou made a motion to accept the staff recommendation to reject these ballots; Mr. Faux seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

No DOB: 11 Mr. Triantafilou made a motion to accept the staff recommendation to reject these ballots; Mr. Faux seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

In-Person April 28th: 354
Does Not Meet Exceptions* Mr. Triantafilou made a motion to accept the staff recommendation to reject these ballots; Mr. Faux seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

***Pursuant to Ohio Secretary of State Directive 2020-09**

After Deadline* 70 Mr. Triantafilou made a motion to accept the staff recommendation to reject these ballots; Mr. Faux seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

***Ballots must be post marked by 4/27/2020 and received by 5/8/2020.**

Further Review:

Month/Day

Mismatch: 2

The Board was advised that, per Secretary of State Directive, if all other information provided is accurate per BOE records, the ballots may be counted.

Mr. Triantafilou made a motion to accept these ballots per Secretary of State Directive and Staff recommendation; Mr. Faux seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board reviewed the Provisional Ballots recommended by Staff as accepted:

Accepted: 2326 Mr. Triantafilou made a motion to accept the staff recommendation to accept these ballots; Mr. Faux seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Wrong Precinct: 43 Mr. Triantafilou made a motion to accept the staff recommendation to accept these ballots; Mr. Faux seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

APRI EXCEPTION:

2011	1
2013	1
2015	5
2019	3

Mr. Triantafilou made a motion to accept the staff recommendation to accept these ballots; Mr. Faux seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

IV. CERTIFICATION: QUESTIONS AND ISSUES FOR THE AUGUST 4, 2020 SPECIAL ELECTION

Mr. Triantafilou made a motion to certify the two issues presented to the August 4, 2020 Special Election; Mr. Faux seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

V. CERTIFICATION: INDEPENDENT CANDIDATES FOR THE NOVEMBER 3, 2020 GENERAL ELECTION

Mr. Triantafilou made a motion to certify the Independent Candidates to the November 3, 2020 General Election; Mr. Faux seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

VI. OTHER BUSINESS

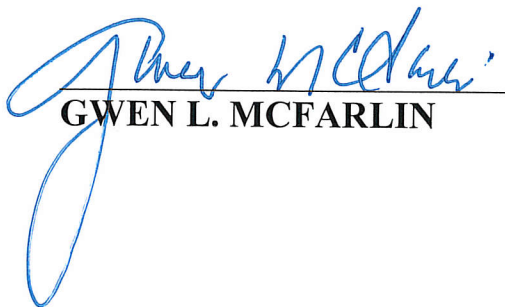
The Board reviewed the post-Election activity schedule.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Mr. Triantafilou made a motion to adjourn; Mr. Faux seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

APPROVED:

DATE: June 9, 2020

CHAIR:


GWEN L. MCFARLIN

DIRECTOR:


SHERRY L. BOLAND