

Worcester County Board of Elections  
201 Belt Street, Suite C, Snow Hill MD 21863

October 7, 2020

Attendees: **BOARD:**

Kay Ann Hickman – Vice President – Democratic Board VP Board Member

Linda A. Moran – Secretary – Republican Secretary Board Member

Audrey Wahl – Republican Board Member

Martina Barnes-Wharton – Democratic Board Member

**ABSENT:**

Ed Rodier, Board President

**STAFF:**

Patricia Jackson – Election Director

Teresa Riffin – Deputy Director

Guest: Mary Burgess and Loretta Spinuzza from the Republican Central Committee

**Welcome:**

Meeting called to order at 10:10 a.m. and Quorum Determined: A quorum was declared present; Vice President Hickman called the meeting to order.

Susan Branietki, Clerk of the Circuit Court, swore in all Board Members and staff as a Board of Canvassers prior to the beginning of the meeting today.

**Approval of Minutes:**

Motion was made by Kay Hickman and seconded by Audrey Wahl to approve meeting of September 18th, 2020.

**Old Business –**

A. Specimen ballots go out next week, Oct. 14<sup>th</sup>, 2020.

B. Ballot drop-boxes are in place at Ocean City Convention Center at the curb. Very easy to just drive up and drop in without getting out of the car. Boxes are water-proof and there is a magnetic flap to keep the rain out. Pick up will be twice daily. 100 were received yesterday approximately. Canvass will start before the election in all counties in MD. But no canvassing during early voting. The Board will call in for the canvass calls, not meet in person.

C. There are colored coded bags for Absentee and Provisional Ballots at the vote centers. Voters can now drop off their voted mail ballots at the vote centers.

D. Audrey Wahl was nominated to be the Chair and Martina Barnes-Wharton will serve as Secretary to the Board of Canvassers.

E. We were given polling evaluation forms and set up a schedule for days for each Board member. Ms. Jackson will send out the schedule to the Board.

Election Day - Linda Moran will go to Stephen Decatur

Martina Barnes-Wharton will go to Snow Hill

Kay Hickman will go to Ocean City

Terron will be doing the public website for the Canvass

Ms. Jackson will send out invitation for canvassing by phone.

Adjourned at 10:35 am, motion made by Ms. Hickman and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ms. Moran

Respectfully submitted

Linda A. Moran, Secretary

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Rodier 12", written over a horizontal line.

President Edward Rodier, Jr