
2024 ADAMS COUNTY ELECTION BOARD

Minutes

APPROVED 7/18/2024

The Adams County Election Board met on Friday, May 17, 2024 in the Election Room in the basement of the Adams County Courthouse building.

Those present were:

Dean J. ("J") Swygart, Democratic Board Member
Donald Kuhn ("Don"), Republican Member
Shelly M. Brite, Clerk of Court
Cassie Hammond, Election Deputy
Jody Affolder, Deputy

Public present were:

Joe Spaulding, Daily Democrat
Darrel Ehlerding, GOP Treasurer

Election Board meeting called to order by J Swygart at 12:03 p.m.

Upon a motion by J Swygart to approved minutes of the April 25, 2024 meeting, seconded by Shelly Brite motion carried (3-0).

OLD BUSINESS:

Nothing to report.

NEW BUSINESS:

Provisional Ballots:

A total of 4 provisional ballots were received due to:

Provisional Ballot #1: missing signature on a mail in ballot. Adams County Election Board provided ABS-18A Affidavit of Unsigned Ballot to cure the missing signature. Also, PRO-9 Notice of Provisional Hearing provided to voter. Voter provided the signed Affidavit in order to cure the missing signature on the mail-in ballot.

Therefore, upon motion by Don Kuhn to approve **provisional ballot #1**, seconded by J Swygart, motion carried. (3-0)

Provisional Ballot #2: mismatched signature on a mail in ballot. Adams County Election Board provided ABS-18B Affidavit of Mismatch. Voter provided the signed Signature Verification Affidavit in order to cure the mismatched signature on the mail-in ballot.

Therefore, upon motion by J Swygart to approve **provisional ballot #2**, seconded by Don Kuhn, motion carried. (3-0)

Provisional Ballot #3: Pro-2 Affidavit provided to voter. Inspector challenged Affidavit, PRE-4, addressed laps in voting; not a registered voter.

Therefore, upon motion by Shelly Brite to reject **provisional ballot #3**, seconded by Don Kuhn, motion carried. (3-0)

Provisional Ballot #4: Pro-2 Affidavit provided to voter. Inspector challenged Affidavit, PRE-4, addressed laps in voting; not a registered voter. Voter returned the PRO-9 but Clerk's Office provided voter registration form to update address.

Therefore, upon motion by Don Kuhn to reject **provisional ballot #4**, seconded by J Swygart, motion carried. (3-0)

Certification of the 2024 Primary Election:

The Election Board entered the provisional ballots into the Microvote System and re-ran the reports and therefore the Election Board certifies the canvass reports of the Election Summary and Precinct Summary for the May 17, 2024 Primary Election.

Post-Election Audit Form (PRE-16):

2024 Primary Election Discussion: In reviewing the audit form, there were no discrepancies or comments as to the vote center, equipment and etc.

Poll Worker Surveys

We received feedback on a few poll workers surveys. I believe we did a great job as an Election Board in troubleshooting on election day and being visible to the poll workers when issues arose. Many poll workers want to stay in the same group and other referenced better hands-on training, especially new workers. Election Board can read these surveys at their convenience.

Election Board Comments:

Discussion: Overall, due to many new election process and procedures put into place, I believe election day went well. The biggest tackle was making sure votes were tallied and arrived at the courthouse by 7:30 p.m. I commend the Inspectors who followed the new guidelines. Also, all the poll workers need to be acknowledged for following the directions of the Inspectors and election board. A great positive vibe was met at each vote location.

The Election Board commented on how well the election turned out due to all new voting equipment and procedure changes.

Next scheduled Election Board Meeting will be held on July 18, 2024 at 9:00 a.m.

Public Comments:

No comments from the public.

Upon motion by Shelly Brite to recess upstairs to count the 2 provisional ballot(s) and J Swygart motion to adjourn at 12:53 p.m., seconded by Don Kuhn, motion carried (3-0).

Respectfully submitted,
Shelly M. Brite. Secretary CEB