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### ATTENDEES

Board of Canvassers (in person):		
Name	Position	Party
Griffith Manahan	Chairman	Republican
John Woodley	Secretary	Republican
Carol Coley	Member	Democrat
Samuel Foster	Member	Democrat
Harvey Tegeler	Member	Republican
Jay Gullo	LBE Attorney	

# Board of Canvassers (in person):

#### LBE Staff (in person):

Name	Position
Katherine Berry	Election Director
Erin Perrone	Deputy Director
Jennifer Bartholow	Election Program Supervisor
Olivia Smith	Election Program Assistant
John Michael Gudger	Election Program Assistant
Mia Faber	Program Assistant
Isaac Nogueron	Election Program Assistant
Kimberly Bullock-Jones	Election Program Supervisor
Eduardo DeLima	Election Program IT Specialist
Ian "Riley" Meyers	Election Program IT Specialist

#### **Guests at MIB1 Canvass:**

Sallie Taylor
Mitch Edelman
Katherine Adelaide
James Miller
Scott Ewart
Brian Krista
Mercedes Moebus
Stephanie Ely
Jennifer Whisler
Stephen Whisler

All canvassers, duplicating team members, and ballot scanner operating team members in attendance are listed under the Canvass Participants section below.

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## **DECLARATION OF QUORUM PRESENT**

The meeting of the Board of Canvassers began Thursday, November 10, 2022 at 10:06 am, at the Robert Moton Gym located in the same building as the Carroll County Board of Elections at 300 South Center Street, Westminster, Maryland. There was a quorum of the Board of Canvassers in-person, and at least one member of the Board of Canvassers who is a registered voter of the principal minority party was present.

#### **CONFIRMATION OF OATH**

Heather Dewees, the Clerk of the Court for Carroll County, administered and recorded the oath of each member of the Board of Canvassers on Wednesday, September 14, 2022 during the in-person Board Meeting.

### **ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

At a meeting on Tuesday, November 8, 2022, the Board of Canvassers elected Griffith Manahan as Chairman of the Board of Canvassers and John Woodley as Secretary.

### **PUBLIC NOTICE OF CANVASS**

Katherine Berry noted that public notice of the mail-in ballot canvass was provided and that the notice was provided by email to the Republican and Democratic Central Committees, the State Board of Elections, on our website and social media accounts.

## **VERIFICATION OF BALLOT SCANNER(S)**

Ms. Berry presented documents to the Board of Canvassers showing that the ballot scanners being used in the canvass successfully passed Logic and Accuracy Testing on Tuesday, October 11, 2022. Ms. Berry reported that the memory cards created for this canvass were placed in the ballot scanners and sealed. Ms. Berry provided the Board of Canvassers with the results from the Logic and Accuracy Testing. Ms. Berry noted the Ballot Scanner Serial Numbers and Seal Numbers from the Logic and Accuracy Testing documentation for each ballot scanner being used in the canvass.

Kimberly Jones and Eduardo DeLima verified that the seals on the ballot scanners were intact and recorded the scanner's serial number and seal number on the Scanning Unit Opening Integrity Report. Ms. Jones and Mr. DeLima noted that the ballot scanners serial numbers and seal numbers from Logic and Accuracy Testing matched the ballot scanners serial numbers and seal numbers before the canvass began.

The Board of Canvassers confirmed that the counts on the ballot scanners were zero. Ms. Berry posted one copy of the Zero Report from the ballot scanners for watchers to review on the door to the entrance of the canvass room. Ms. Jones and Mr. DeLima printed a second copy of the Zero Report,

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which remained attached to the ballot scanners. The Chairman, Griffith Manahan and Secretary, John Woodley of the Board of Canvassers signed the Zero Report attached to the ballot scanners. Ms. Berry also confirmed that the ballot boxes were empty.

A copy of the *Scanning Unit Opening Integrity Report* is attached to the minutes.

## **CANVASS OF BALLOTS**

#### **Overview of Canvass Process**

Mr. Manahan explained the rules concerning public observation of the canvass. Mr. Manahan provided an overview of the canvassing process and noted that the rules were posted in the canvass room. Ballots are distributed to the ballot processing canvassing teams in batches. Each canvassing team reviews the envelope first to determine whether it was timely received.

For timely received ballots, each canvasser determines whether the voter signed the oath. After verifying that the oath is signed, each canvasser opens the envelopes. With the envelope face down, each canvasser removes the ballot, taking care that the envelope stays face down. After removing all of the ballots in the batch, the ballot envelopes are set aside. Each canvasser reviews the ballots for compliance and tabulating acceptability.

Ballots that were marked using the online ballot marking wizard are duplicated and verified by a bipartisan ballot duplication team. The duplication team compares the two ballots to ensure that the duplicated ballot matches the ballot returned by the voter.

Ballots that are untimely or are otherwise not in compliance are placed in a plain envelope, with the canvasser's number, or other information identifying the canvasser to which the ballot belongs, and the reason(s) for the referral written on the envelope. The envelope with the ballots inside is referred to the Board of Canvassers for later review.

Mr. Manahan explained the process to provide information to the Board of Canvassers or challenge a decision of the Board.

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# <u>Canvass Participants</u>

The ballot processing, duplicating, and optical scan operating canvassers are listed in the table.

Canvassing Team: MIB-1 (November 10, 2022)				
TEAM #	NAME	PARTY	NAME	PARTY
Team-1	Norma Bair	Republican	Robert Moody	Democrat
Team-2	Paula Stonesifer	Republican	Kristen McMasters	Democrat
Team-3	Kathryn Hajnos	Republican	Deborah Chatham	Democrat
Team-4	Rick Wills	Republican	Richard Riddle	Unaffiliated
Team-5	Marilyn Sawaya	Republican	Marcia Heyman	Democrat
Team-6	Sharon Glass	Republican	Wendy Raith	Democrat
Team-7	Estelle Frederick	Republican	Jeana Marquardt	Democrat
Team-8	Kathy Whitman	Republican	Betsy Scott	Democrat
Team-9	Adetutu "Fumi" Adejo	Republican	Stacey Jones	Democrat
Team-10	Donna Schott	Republican	Precious Morrison	Democrat
Team-11	Sylvia Bellak	Republican	Michelle Moreau	Democrat
Team-12	Judith Cook	Republican	Janet Kelly	Democrat
Team-13	Kimberly Frock	Republican	Brian Joseph	Democrat
Team-14	Barbara Phelps	Republican	William Kelly	Democrat
Team-15	Danielle Unglesbee	Republican	Melinda Hoffman	Unaffiliated
Team-16	Griffith Manahan	Republican	Carol Coley	Democrat
Team-17	Harvey Tegeler	Republican	Sam Foster	Democrat
Team-18	Jennifer Bartholow	Republican	Olivia Smith	Unaffiliated
Team-19	Wallace Brown	Unaffiliated	Rodney Morris	Democrat
Team-20	Phil Saghy	Other Parties	John Scott	Democrat
Team-21	Eric Atherton	Unaffiliated	Donald Mongold	Democrat
Team-22	Stephen Mires	Unaffiliated	Taylor Button	Democrat
Scanner-1	Stephen Mires	Unaffiliated	Rodney Morris	Democrat
Scanner-2	Wallace Brown	Unaffiliated	John Scott	Democrat
Scanner-3	David Newman	Republican	Brian Tiboni	Democrat
Scanner-4	David Traekner	Republican	Phil Saghy	Other Parties
Scanner-5	Eric Atherton	Unaffiliated	Donald Mongold	Democrat
Scanner-6				
Scanner-7				
Slicer/Count/Verify-1				
Slicer/Count/Verify-2	Belinda Roettger		Elena Hodgkiss	Democrat
Slicer/Count/Verify-3			Deborah Palm	Democrat
Slicer/Count/Verify-4			Taylor Button	Democrat

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### **Canvassing of Ballots**

Member	Action	Description
Carol Coley	Motion - Initiated	Made a motion to accept and approve the opening and tabulation of the ballots.
Samuel Foster	Motion – Seconded	Seconded the motion.
BOARD VOTE	Motion - Passed	5 - 0

#### Board of Canvassers' Decision Meeting: Thursday, November 10, 2022

The Board of Canvassers did not convene to review ballots that were referred from the canvassers. The review will take place on the final day of canvass.

Ballot Scanner Serial Number(s)	Seal Number(s)	Public Count
DS0315331598	3583724	0
DS0315331586	3583827	0
DS0315331601	3583871	0
DS0315320591	3583767	0
DS0315410899	3581480	0
DS0315331584	1023289	0
DS0315320715	1186585	0

#### **Printing Canvass Results**

After scanning all accepted mail-in ballots, Ms. Jones and Mr. DeLima locked the ballot scanners and printed an Election Results Report. Ms. Berry confirmed that the number of accepted ballots equaled the number of ballots counted by the ballot scanners.

<b>Election Director/Staff</b>	Action	Description
Katherine Berry	Voting Results Report	Signed report and attached it to the Zero
		Report
Katherine Berry	Ballot Count Manual Ballots versus Scanned Ballots	
Ballot Count Explanation: The manual ballot and scanned counts were equivalent.		

A copy of the *Scanning Unit Closing Integrity Report* is attached to the minutes.

#### **Daily Canvassing Results**

Mail-In-Ballot Canvass Statistics- Day 1	Number of Ballots
Total Ballots Presented ***	12,698
Accepted Ballots into Canvass	12,658
Ballots requiring Board Decisions	40

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### MIB DAY-1 KEY POINTS:

Griff initiated Board of Canvassers at MIB-1 meeting at 10:06AM.

Initiation time for meeting was 10:12AM. 1st Carol, 2nd Sam.

Scanners were confirmed to be at a zero (0) count by Sam Foster and John Woodley, 10:15AM.

Meeting close was 10:00PM. 1st Carol, 2nd Harvey.

12,698 Ballots presented for canvass.

2,100 were pulled for provisional.

10,658 were canvassed.

40 were set aside for board decisions.

10,558 total were canvassed.

#### ADJOURNMENT

# Board of Canvassers' Decision Meeting will be held on Friday, November 18, 2022.

The Board of Canvassers adjourned at 10:00 pm.

Member	Action	Description
Carol Coley	Motion - Initiated	Made a motion to accept and approve the
		opening and tabulation of the ballots.
Harvey Tegeler	Motion – Seconded	Seconded the motion.
BOARD VOTE	Motion - Passed	5 - 0