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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	

LBE Staff (in person):

Position	
Election Director	
Deputy Director	
Election Program Supervisor	
Election Program Assistant	
Election Program Assistant	
Program Assistant	
Election Program Assistant	
Election Program Supervisor	
Election Program IT Specialist	
Election Program IT Specialist	
Contingent Staff	
Contingent Staff	

## Public:

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Name	Organization (if applicable)
Sallie Taylor	
Mitch Edelman	
Jacquelyn Slade	
Gary Collins	
Kennedi Riley	
Dylan Slagle	
Olivia Taylor	
Kathy Mangan	
John Willis	

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 at 10 am on Wednesday, July 21, 2022 at the Robert Moton Building, Gymnasium, at 300 S Center Street, Westminster, MD 21157. 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, June 15, 2022 during the regular meeting of the Carroll County Board of Elections.

## ANNOUNCEMENT OF OFFICERS

At its meeting on Tuesday, June 19, 2022, the Board of Canvassers elected Mr. Manahan as Chairman of the Board of Canvassers and Mr. Woodley as Secretary.

### PUBLIC NOTICE OF CANVASS

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

#### VERIFICATION OF BALLOT SCANNERS

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 Monday, July 5, 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.

Ms. Jones and Mr. DeLima verified that the seals on the ballot scanners were intact and recorded the ballot 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.

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The Board of Canvassers confirmed that the counts on the ballot scanners were zero. Ms. Perrone posted one copy of the Zero Report from the ballot scanners at the entrance of the canvass room. Ms. Jones and Mr. DeLima printed a second copy of the Zero Report, which remained attached to the ballot scanners. The Chairman, Mr. Manahan and Secretary, Mr. 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**

Canvassing teams may use a ballot marking device or manually duplicate the online ballot onto a standard ballot. The canvassing teams compare 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 canvassing team's number, or other information identifying the canvassing team 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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# **Canvass Participants**

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

Team Number	Canvasser #1	Party	Canvasser #2	Party
1	Susan Whitcomb	Democrat	Norma Bair	Republican
2	Kristen McMasters	Democrat	Paula Stonesifer	Republican
3	Michelle Moreau	Democrat	Denise Vanwingerden	Republican
4	Richard Riddle	Democrat	Rick Wills	Republican
5	Becky Ritterhouse	Democrat	Estelle Frederick	Republican
6	Jean Lewis	Democrat	Sharon Glass	Republican
7	Precious Morrison	Democrat	Donna Schott	Republican
8	Stacey Jones	Democrat	Funmi Adejo	Republican
9	Brian Joseph	Democrat	Guin Gilberto	Republican
10	Taylor Button	Democrat	JW Logie	Republican
11	Carol Coley	Democrat	Griffith Manahan	Republican
12	Sam Foster	Democrat	John Woodley	Republican
13	Rodney Morris	Democrat	Kelly Devilbiss	Republican

**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

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## **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
<b>Ballot Count Explanation:</b>	The manual ballot and sc	anned 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 ***	8,117
Accepted Ballots into Canvass	8,068
Ballots requiring Board Decisions	48

## **MIB 1 KEY POINTS**:

\*\*\* We brought 8,118 into canvass. There was a miscount in batch 3 that had us bringing in 26, not 25 ballots, but it was in fact 25 ballots. So, we actually brought in 8,117 ballots into canvass. This can be proven by the batch header sheet that lists the voters. It was an administrative error on the part of the office prior to canvass. The results tape recorded 8,068 votes. We pulled 48 issues for board review and decisions. This means we show a discrepancy of 1 ballot. There were various scanner jams which may have contributed to this discrepancy.