

Pulaski County Election Commission Meeting Minutes March 7, 2016 5:00 p.m.

Members Present

Staff Present

Leonard A. Boyle, Sr. Pat Hays Kevin Gorman

Bryan Poe Shawn Camp Tonya Washington

Visitors Present: Jason Kennedy, County Clerk's office

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Pat Hays. A quorum was determined; all commissioners present.

Approval of Meeting Minutes March 1, 2016

Commissioner Boyle moved to table approval of meeting minutes until completed; seconded by Commissioner Gorman. Motion passed by voice vote.

Business

Mr. Poe noted an issue that occurred at Precinct 24 on Election Day where the M100 voting device was running and then jammed. When this occurs voting will continue and ballots are placed inside the emergency bin of the voting device. Once the voting device is repaired, procedures are to remove the ballots from the emergency bin and feed them through the voting device to record the votes of the ballots. When a ballot has been over or under voted, the procedure is to override the device so that the ballot can be accepted to count the votes that can be counted. With the one ballot voted at this precinct, the election officials decided to place the ballot in a provisional ballot envelope and sent it back with their election materials to be counted. This ballot has been read and included in the final results.

Five (5) Overseas ballots have been returned.

Precinct 126 had 54 voters cast ballots on the iVotronic voting device. However, the election officials did not return the Personal Electronic Ballot device (PEB) which stores the vote

count. Amanda will manually enter the results from the tapes. Pam will search the communication packs to see if they were stored in the cases.

At Little Rock Fire Station #18, seven voters were injured on Election Day. The commission will take a look at securing an alternate location.

Preliminary Review of Provisional Ballots

There was a high occurrence of provisional ballots voted in this election. In some cases election officials did not follow procedures for issuing a ballot, and after reviewing, many of these should have voted a regular ballot.

Four (4) provisional ballots were missing signatures on the voter affirmation.

Provisional Results

411 Provisional Ballots

- 92 Yes
- 315 No

It was moved by Commissioner Boyle and seconded by Commissioner Gorman to accept the provisional ballot results. Motion passed by voice vote.

Provisional and overseas ballots to be counted at certification meeting on March 11, 2016.

Provisional notices will be mailed on March 8, 2016.

We received a request from a sorority to use our voting equipment for a meeting to be held in the near future. Mr. Poe has referred the request to the county attorney.

The policy for use of cell phones in polling locations has been referred to the SBEC. The state board will be sending a letter of instruction asking the county board to review the policy.

Next meeting scheduled on Friday, March 11, 2016 at 5:00 p.m.

Meeting adjourned.