

Baltimore County Board of Canvassers

5 Crossing Way
Owings Mills, MD 21117



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06/19/24

MINUTES – May 22, 2024 Provisional Canvass

ATTENDEES:

Board of Canvassers:

Name	Position	Party
Gloria Mason	Chair	Democrat
William Feuer	Secretary	Republican
LaVerne Gaither	Member	Democrat
Albert Nalley	Member	Republican
Derick Johnson	Member	Democrat

Staff:

Name	Position
Joshua Insley	Board Counsel
Ruie Marie Lavoie	Director
Rena' Waggoner	Acting Deputy Director
Amanda White	Election IT Program Specialist
Christopher Andrews	Election IT Program Specialist
Cynthia Remmey	Program Manager
Kimberly Phillips	Program Manager
Timika Williams	Lead Floor Manager
Mary Frances Alcoser	Election Program Assistant
Tyrone Rice	Warehouse Associate

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

DECLARATION OF QUORUM PRESENT

The meeting of the Board of Canvassers began at 10:00 am on Wednesday, May 22, 2024 at the Baltimore County Board of Elections office in the multipurpose room located at 5 Crossing Way in Owings Mills, Maryland, 21117. There was a quorum of the Board of Canvassers, 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

Julie Ensor, the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Baltimore County, administered and recorded the oath of each member of the Board of Canvassers, the Board Counsel, the Director and Acting Deputy Director on April 24, 2024. Chair Gloria Mason administered and recorded the oath of each staff member and canvasser on April 24, 2024.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF OFFICERS

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At a meeting on March 27, 2024, the Board of Canvassers elected Gloria Mason as Chairman of the Board of Canvassers and William Feuer as Secretary.

PUBLIC NOTICE OF CANVASS

Director Ruie Marie Lavoie noted that public notice of the Provisional Canvass was provided and that the notice was provided by posting notice on the election agency website, on election agency social media platforms, on the bulletin board in the vestibule of the election office. Notice was also provided by mail through the USPS and electronically to the Baltimore County Democratic and Republican Central Committee Chairs and the State Board of Elections Administrator.

VERIFICATION OF SCANNING UNITS

Director Lavoie and Amanda White presented documents to the Board of Canvassers showing that the ballot scanners being used in the canvass successfully passed Logic and Accuracy Testing on April 8, 2024. Director Lavoie reported that the memory devices created for this canvass were placed in the ballot scanners and sealed. Amanda White provided the Board of Canvassers with the results from the Logic and Accuracy Testing. Amanda White noted the Ballot Scanner Serial Number and Seal Number from Logic and Accuracy Testing documentation for each ballot scanner being used in the canvass.

Director Lavoie and Amanda White 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. Director Lavoie 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. Director Lavoie posted one copy of the Zero Report from the ballot scanners on the table outside of the canvass room for public display. Amanda White printed a second copy of the Zero Report, which remained attached to the ballot scanners. At the direction of the Board of Canvassers, Director Lavoie and Amanda White signed the Zero Report attached to the ballot scanners. Director Lavoie also confirmed that the ballot boxes were empty.

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

CANVASSING

Overview of Canvass Process

Joshua Insley explained the rules concerning public observation of the canvass, Director Lavoie provided an overview of the canvassing process, and noted that the rules were posted in the canvass room.

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Director Lavoie explained that each provisional ballot application was reviewed prior to canvassing to determine the voter's eligibility to vote in this election and the voter's correct ballot style. At this canvass, the provisional ballot applications will be presented to the Board of Canvassers with a recommendation. The recommendations will be to:

1. Accept provisional ballot application in full – recommend counting all votes cast on the provisional ballot.
2. Accept provisional ballot application in part – recommend counting some but not all votes cast on the provisional ballot. This is because the voter voted in the wrong precinct.
3. Reject provisional ballot application – recommend not counting the provisional ballot.

The Board of Canvassers will vote to accept in full, accept in part, or reject the provisional ballots. The provisional ballots for which the Board voted to accept in full or accept in part are distributed to the bi-partisan ballot processing teams to open and review the ballots. The “accepted in full” ballots are scanned into the ballot scanner, and the “accepted in part” ballots are referred to a duplicating team. The duplicating team will copy onto the voter's correct ballot style the votes for the contests for which the provisional voter is eligible to vote.

Director Lavoie explained that mail-in ballots are distributed to the ballot processing teams in batches. Each team reviews the envelope first to determine whether it was timely received. For timely received ballots, each team determines whether the voter signed the oath. After verifying that the oath is signed, each team opens the envelopes.

With the envelope face down, each canvassing team removes the ballot, taking care that the envelope stays face down. Each canvassing team reviews the ballots for compliance and tabulating acceptability.

Ballots that are not in compliance are referred to the Board for later review. The ballot is returned to the original oath envelope and a coversheet is created with the canvassing team's number and the reason(s) for the referral.

Those timely ballots that are in compliance and can be read by the ballot scanner are counted and a Batch cover sheet is created with correct number of ballots to be scanned, minus any ballots removed for Board Review and placed in tray for tabulation.

Web delivery ballots were duplicated by a bi-partisan ballot duplication team and verified for accuracy.

Director Lavoie explained the process to provide information to the Board of Canvassers or challenged a decision of the Board.

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Canvass Participants

The members of the ballot processing, duplicating, and ballot scanner operating teams are listed below.

Team	Names of Ballot Processing Canvassing Teams
Team #1	Kelly Sengstock (Republican) and MJ Kittridge (Democrat)
Team #2	Natishia Dancy (Republican) and Lucy Armstrong (Democrat)
Team #3	Jerria Johnson (Republican) and Deborah Ball (Democrat)
Team #4	Kathryn Jarred (Republican) and Gail Jackson (Democrat)
Team #5	Dorothy Deitrich (Republican) and Hardwick Spencer (Democrat)
Team #6	April Coccagna-Graham (Republican) and Michael Yingling (Democrat)
Team #7	Brian Truckenbrodt (Republican) and Dennis Duda (Democrat)
Team #8	Viola Wright (Republican) and Dawn Underdue (Democrat)
Team #9	Lacretia Latham (Republican) and John Strickland (Democrat)
Team #10	Cathy Cavey (Republican) and Gail Davis (Democrat)

Team	Names of Bi-Partisan Duplicating Team Members
Team #A	Sydney Penman (Republican) and Lisa Curry (Democrat)
Team #B	Blaire Johnson (Republican) and Felicia Thompson (Democrat)
Team #C	Kim Bryant (Republican) and Candice Parker (Democrat)
Team #D	Scott Ross (Republican) and Lindsey Yik (Democrat)
Team #E	Diane Moran (Republican) and Tyrone Creek (Democrat)
Team #F	Hunter Imbach (Republican) and Floyd Gregory (Democrat)
Team #G	Lisa Carter (Republican) and Michelle Gregory (Democrat)
Team #H	Tricia Mangold (Republican) and Ronald Thomas (Democrat)
Team #I	Lisa K. Cole (Republican) and Tracey Hartman (Democrat)
Team J	Danna Archie-Williams (Republican) and Dorothy Alcoser (Democrat)

Team	Names of Bi-Partisan Scanning Unit Operating Team Member
Team AA	Amanda White (UNA), and Tyrone Rice (REP) and Christopher Andrews (DEM)

Canvassing of Provisional Ballots

Director Lavoie reported that 4,523 provisional ballots were cast. To preserve the secrecy of the ballots, Director Lavoie explained that five mail-in ballots of each ballot style were held back for this provisional canvass and will be counted with the provisional ballots. 4,523 provisional ballots and 3,743 mail-in ballots were presented for canvassing at this canvass.

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Secretary Feuer made a motion to begin accepting the mail in ballots that were presented with the provisional ballot applications. Member Gaither seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

Director Lavoie presented 2,421 provisional ballots with the recommendation to accept them in full. The recommendation was based on the fact that staff had confirmed that each provisional application was submitted by a registered voter and was cast in the correct precinct where that voter currently resides. The Board unanimously voted to accept the recommendation and accept and count the provisional ballots in full.

Director Lavoie presented 270 provisional ballots with the recommendation to accept them in part. The recommendation was based on the fact that staff had confirmed that each provisional application was submitted by a registered voter and the provisional ballot was cast in the wrong precinct. The Board unanimously voted to accept the recommendation, and the ballots were referred to the duplicating team.

Canvassing of Mail-in Ballots

Director Lavoie presented 3,743 mail-in ballots with the recommendation to accept the ballots. A motion was made by Secretary William Feuer to accept the recommendation. Member LaVerne Gaither seconded the motion. The Board unanimously voted to accept the recommendation to accept the ballots.

Director Lavoie presented 216 mail-in ballots with the recommendation to reject because the voter failed to sign the oath. A motion was made by Secretary William Feuer to reject the ballots due to no signature on the Oath. Member Albert Nally seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. The Board of Canvassers reviewed 7 ballots, all were accepted and held in separate batch to be canvassed on another day.

CHALLENGES DURING CANVASS

No challenges were brought forth in the canvass.

CANVASS CLOSING

Printing Canvass Results

After scanning all accepted in full and accepted in part provisional ballots and all accepted mail-in ballots, Director Lavoie and Amanda White locked the ballot scanners and printed a Voting Results Report. The Board of Canvassers confirmed that the number of accepted in full and accepted in part provisional ballots and accepted mail-in ballots equaled the number of ballots counted by the ballot scanners. The Board of Canvassers signed the Voting Results Report and posted a second copy of the report on table outside of the canvass room for public viewing.

Cynthia Remyey and Dorothy Alcoser affixed a seal to the Board Review Ballot bin, seal #1 0580351 and seal #2 0580352.

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RELEASE OF UNOFFICIAL RESULTS

Director Lavoie announced the results from the provisional canvass. A copy of the *Scanning Unit Closing Integrity Report* is attached and made part of these minutes. Director Lavoie outlined the following statistics from the Provisional Canvass:

Provisional Canvass Statistics	Number of Ballots
Total Ballots Presented at Provisional Canvass	8482
Total Provisional Ballots Presented	4523
Total Mail-in Ballots Presented	3959
Total Accepted Ballots	6419
Accepted in Full Provisional Ballots	2418
Accepted in Part Provisional Ballots	270
Accepted Mail-in Ballots	3731
Ballots held over by Board of Canvassers – for Board Review	7
Ballots held over by Board of Canvassers – for No Oath	8
Total Rejected Ballots	2048
Rejected Provisional Ballots	1832
Rejected Mail-in Ballots	216

Director Lavoie announced that provisional voters can find out if their provisional ballots were counted and if not, the reason why it was not counted by visiting the State Board of Elections' website or by calling the State Board at 800-222-8683.

RECESS

The meeting was recessed at 4:23 pm.

NEXT BOARD OF CANVASSERS' MEETING

The Board of Canvassers will meet on Friday, May 24, 2024 at 8:00 am to resume the Mail in Ballot 2 canvass. The canvass will take place in the multipurpose room at 5 Crossing Way, Owings Mills, Md 21117.

**DS850 Opening and Closing Integrity Report
2024 Presidential Primary – Provisional Canvass**

State of Maryland

Baltimore County

Day: 5

Date: May 22, 2024

Opening – Only verify the units being used for the day. Place removed Tamper Tape on the back of this form.

DS850 Unit #	A. DS850 Serial #		B. Left Side Power Compartment Tamper Tape #		C. Memory Stick Top Compartment Tamper Tape #		D. Middle Right Compartment Tamper Tape # (Do Not Remove)		E. Bottom Right Compartment Tamper Tape # (Do Not Remove)		F. Public Count	
	Verify	✓	Verify	✓	Verify	✓	Verify	✓	Verify	✓	Verify	✓
1	DS8517030290	✓	04-784801	✓	04-784802	✓	04-126237	✓	04-129297	✓	0	✓
2	DS8515070173	✓	04-784803	✓	04-784804	✓	04-129458	✓	04-129457	✓	0	✓
3	DS8515070186		04-129407		04-129406		04-129454		04-129453		0	

Closing – Only record new seals on the unit used for the day.

DS850 Unit #	A. DS850 Serial #		D. New Left Side Power Compartment Tamper Tape #		D. New Memory Stick Top Compartment Tamper Tape #		F. Middle Right Compartment Tamper Tape # (Do Not Remove)		F. Bottom Right Compartment Tamper Tape # (Do Not Remove)		D. Public Count	
	Verify		Record		Record		Verify	✓	Verify	✓	Record	
1	DS8517030290						04-126237		04-129297		6144 - mib + IN FULL	
2	DS8515070173						04-129458		04-129457		270 - IN-PART	
3	DS8515070186						04-129454		04-129453			

To the best of our knowledge, the information on this report is true and accurate.

Democratic Board Member Signature: Glenn Mason

Republican Board Member Signature: William J. Lewis

Unit 1 - Power Comp.

State of Maryland

04-784801



Unit 2 - Power Comp

State of Maryland

04-784803



Unit 1 - Top Right Comp.

State of Maryland

04-784802



Unit 2 - Top Right Comp.

State of Maryland

04-784804



**Ballot Marking Device Integrity Report
2024 Presidential Election
Provisional Canvass**

Baltimore County

Day: 5

Date: May 22, 2024

Attach all tamper tape removed from the Ballot Marking Device (BMD) during opening and closing to the back of this form.

BMD Unit #	OPENING					CLOSING	
	A.		B.		C.	D.	E.
	BMD Serial #		Side compartment tamper tape # at opening		New side compartment tamper tape # at opening	Record and remove side compartment tamper tape # at closing	Record new tamper tape # at closing
	Verify	✓	Verify	✓	Record		
1	EV0114350472	✓	04-784791	✓	04-140990		
2	EV0115331491	✓	04-784792	✓	04-140991		
3	EV0115331005	✓	04-784793	✓	04-140992		
4	EV0115340956	✓	04-784794	✓	04-140993		
5	EV0115360934	✓	04-784795	✓	04-140994		

To the best of our knowledge, the information on this report is true and accurate.

Democratic Board Member Signature: *Debra Mason*

Republican Board Member Signature: *William J. Sever*

OPENING

CLOSING

BMD Unit 1:

State of Maryland
Attach side compartment
04-784791 

State of Maryland
Attach side compartment
04-140990 

BMD Unit 2:

State of Maryland
Attach side compartment
04-784792 

State of Maryland
Attach side compartment
04-140991 

BMD Unit 3:

3
State of Maryland
Attach side compartment
04-784793 

State of Maryland
Attach side compartment
04-140992 

BMD Unit 4:

4
State of Maryland
Attach side compartment
04-784794 

State of Maryland
Attach side compartment
04-140993 

BMD Unit 5:

5
State of Maryland
Attach side compartment
04-784795 

State of Maryland
Attach side compartment
04-140994 

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	Verify	✓	Verify	✓	Record		
6	EV0115371015	✓	04-784796	✓	04-140995		
7	EV0115330902	✓	04-784797	✓	04-140996		
8	EV0115360858	✓	04-784798	✓	04-140997		
9	EV0115340544	✓	04-784799	✓	04-140998		
10	EV0115340578	✓	04-784800	✓	04-140999		

To the best of our knowledge, the information on this report is true and accurate.

Democratic Board Member Signature: *Gloria Mason*

Republican Board Member Signature: *William J. Lee*

OPENING

CLOSING

BMD Unit 6:

State of Maryland
04-784796 

State of Maryland
04-140995 

BMD Unit 7:

State of Maryland
04-784797 

State of Maryland
04-140996 

BMD Unit 8:

State of Maryland
04-784798 

State of Maryland
04-140997 

BMD Unit 9:

State of Maryland
04-784799 

State of Maryland
04-140998 

BMD Unit 10:

State of Maryland
04-784800 

State of Maryland
04-140999 