



**Board of Voter Registration and Elections of Spartanburg County**  
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**AGENDA 10:00 a.m.**  
**Board Meeting**  
**Board of Voter Registration and Elections of Spartanburg County**  
Nov 6 2020

**I. Welcome, call to order and Pledge of Allegiance**

**II. Re-Convene as Board of Canvassers**

Provisional Ballot Hearing, Canvass Votes and Certification of Results for the  
November 3, 2020 General Election

**III. Reconvene as Board of Voter Registration & Elections**

**IV.** Welcome and Pledge of Allegiance *Chair Byerly called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. and welcomed all in attendance. Broyles led in the Pledge of Allegiance. Board members present: Byerly, Broyles, Church and Johnson. Members absent: Thompson due to COVID quarantine; Watson due to hospitalization. A quorum was present Staff present: Laye, Baucom and Mabry Public in attendance: Susan Turregano, Marvin Willis, Alice Norteman, Deborah Ponder, Alice Claggett, Thomas Riley, Diann Uzor, Rosalyn Henderson Myers*

**V.** Reconvene as Board of Canvassers *Board formally reconvened as the Board of Canvassers and signed the reconvene form*

**VI.** Oath *Chair Byerly administered the Oath to the Board and Secretary Broyles administered oath to Chair Byerly. All signed the Oath.*

**VII.** Review of unofficial results *Each Board member had a copy of the unofficial results.*

**VIII.** Review of provisional ballots *Board reviewed all provisional ballots received: 401 found to be valid; 325 found not valid. 5 citizens came to check on their provisional ballots; Board had all 5 ballots in hand and all 5 were found to be valid and would be counted. The citizens were glad to hear this and they then departed. One citizen took exception to the decision that his ballot would not be counted. Reason was that he had registered after the 30 day deadline. He remained skeptical even after being shown the SC Code of Law requiring registration 30 days in advance. He finally acquiesced and let. The Board then began the process of opening all the provisionals found valid. They were then removed from the provisional ballot envelope, stub removed, flattened and then moved to the scanner for tabulation. Every provisional ballot was then set aside to have the voter's status of their ballot noted in their VREMS information*

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**Cynthia W. Church**

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- IX.** Review of mailed-in absentee ballots for completeness or received after 7:00 p.m. November 5 2019. *A review of the mailed in ballots found to be not valid showed 169 not witnessed; 15 not signed by the voter and 22 received after 7:00 p.m. November 3. Each of these ballots were date/time stamped and placed in an envelope with the reason for rejection noted and the voter's registration number noted on the envelope. Each rejected ballot was noted in the voter's VREMS file.*
- X.** Review of Write-In Candidates *There was a total of approximately 20,000 write-ins; however, in no single seat would the write-ins made a difference in the results of that specific office.*
- XI.** Official results printed and signed *Laye then reviewed the Canvass Checklist and informed the Board that upon reviewing the additions of the provisional count that the Spartanburg County results were ready to be certified.*
- XII.** Order recount if required; then review results. Order new election if required to be held on November 19, 2019 *Neither a recount or a runoff needd to be conducted.*
- XIII.** Adjourn. *The Board then signed the official results and certification form; thus, no further business was required and the Board of Canvassers was adjourned.*
- XIV.** The Board then reconvened for their November Board meeting.
- XV. Old Business** *None*

**a. Review of minutes of Oct meeting** *approved as submitted.*

**XVI. Public Participation** *No one called in; however, several citizens attended.*

<b>Dial-in Info:</b>	<b>1-864-598-7004</b>
<b>Extension:</b>	<b>7113</b>
<b>Participant Code:</b>	<b>321-681-17</b>

**XVII. New business**

**a. Recap of General Election** *Laye advised the Board that over 149,000 citizens voted which was a record turnout. Overall things were smooth, but several issues remain, such as finding new polling locations as the growth in County's population has once again resulted in some very large precincts. Laye also noted that this department's location has now far outstripped the County Admin Building's capacity to serve not only its voters but also in its ability to store the voting equipment now in use. Laye pointed out to the Board that without the use of the Memorial Auditorium for in-person absentee use, we would have been unable to handle the crowds. Thus, the challenge for future elections is to find ways to establish multiple in-person sites around the county for absentee voting. Laye also commended the Board, Staff and poll workers for their incredible work on Nov 3 and before to make this election work.*

**XVIII. Adjourn** *There being no further business the Board was adjourned.*

Next meeting December 10 at 11:45:00 a.m. *Christmas luncheon.*

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