



## CHEROKEE COUNTY BOARD OF VOTER REGISTRATION & ELECTIONS

Minutes for canvass and meeting held Thursday, February 29, 2024

The following board members were present: James "Ed" Elliott, Jerry Bridges, Ben Taylor, Lamar Batchelor, Jimmy Cash; Carlton Bridges; and Stephen Fowler (by phone)

\*\*absent members: Jason Blanton; vacancy

\*\*also in attendance: Cassidy Nichols (interim director); Hannah Whiteside (clerk); and Mary Beth White (clerk)

Agenda was posted in accordance with the SCFOIA

Call to order: 9:00am; Ben opened in prayer.

Minutes:

Cassidy administered the oath to all board members.

There were no provisional ballots cast in the Republican Presidential Preference Primary.

At 9:02am Cassidy went to the Election Ware room to print the official results for the Republican Presidential Preference Primary (22097) with Lamar as witness. She returned at 9:08am with copies for each board member. There were 8,267 ballots cast: 5,961 on election day, 2,213 during early vote, 75 absentee ballots, and 18 failsafe.

For the Hand Count Audit, the state chose Limestone Mills, Gaffney Ward 1, Woods, and Day 1 of Early Vote. All totals matched.

Lamar made a motion to certify the Republican Presidential Preference Primary (22097); Jerry seconded; all were in favor.

No recounts or run-offs were needed.

At 9:10am Ben made a motion to end the canvass meeting and begin the monthly board meeting; Lamar seconded; all were in favor.

Lamar made a motion to approve the minutes of the regular scheduled meeting and canvass on February 8, 2024; Carlton seconded; all were in favor.

Cassidy notified the board there is still a vacancy needing to be filled and that she plans to reach out to a person who was recommended soon. Ed added the state is looking for someone who is a member of the minority party in Cherokee County (as of now, democratic).

Cassidy reminded the board of Ethics, which is due for each board member by March 30, 2024.

For election day concerns, Jerry said there was improvements with delivery for the Republican Preference Primary.

The upcoming election is the Statewide Primary which will take place Tuesday, June 11, 2024.

Cassidy reminded the board that Ed, Hannah, and herself would be attending the upcoming SCARE conference from March 5<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup>.

At 9:20 Lamar made a motion to adjourn, Jerry seconded.

Carlton Bridges Sr.  
Carlton Bridges, Secretary

5-6-24  
Date

\*\*minutes recorded by Hannah Whiteside

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