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Board of Elections Certifies Special Election Results <u>Also Sets Ballot for General Election</u>

(Columbus) The Franklin County Board of Elections met this afternoon to certify results of the Aug. 2, 2011 Special Election and to determine which candidates, issues and liquor options had met requirements to appear on the Nov. 8, 2011 general election ballot.

Official totals show 117 or 15.29 percent of eligible voters casting ballots in the special election for levies in the Village of Valleyview and in Franklin County's portion of the Pickerington School District. The totals include four voters casting absentee ballots in person or by mail. There were no provisional ballots cast in the election.

Petition circulators submitted enough valid signatures for 242 candidates and 52 issues including 19 local liquor options to appear on the ballot in November. The candidates certified today are non-partisan office seekers running for municipal offices and school board. Partisan candidates were nominated in the May primary and certified soon thereafter.All candidates and issues certified for the general election as of today will be posted at http://vote.franklincountyohio.gov.

Candidates for municipal office in Grandview Heights have another three more days to file petitions for the general election under a separate deadline of Aug. 25. Write-in candidates have until 4 p.m. on Aug. 29 to file. Voters must be registered by Oct. 11 to be eligible for the fall election.

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