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12 ALSO PRESENT:

13 Mr. Matthew M. Damschroder, Deputy Director

14 Ms. Karen Cotton, Manager of Elections
15 Operations

16 Mr. Ben Piscitelli, Public Information
17 Officer

18 Mr. Charles Traylor, Liaison to Ohio
19 Secretary of State Office

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MR. ANTHONY: Good afternoon, everyone.
We would like to call the Franklin County Board of
Elections meeting to order. I'll do the roll
call.

Kim Marinello.

MS. MARINELLO: Here.

MR. ANTHONY: Zach Manifold.

MR. MANIFOLD: Here.

MR. ANTHONY: Doug Preisse.

CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Here.

MR. ANTHONY: Michael Colley.

MR. COLLEY: Here.

MR. ANTHONY: All are here and accounted
for. The agenda before you, the first item on the
agenda, is to certify the election results.

MS. MARINELLO: Mr. Chairman, I move
that the Board certify as final the official
canvas of votes cast at the November 2nd, 2010
general election.

MR. ANTHONY: Is there a second?

MR. MANIFOLD: Second.

1 MR. ANTHONY: All those in favor say
2 aye.

3 BOARD MEMBERS: Aye.

4 MR. ANTHONY: And you got the official
5 count before you.

6 All right. The next item is recounts.

7 Matt, do you want to talk about --

8 MR. DAMSCHRODER: Sure.

9 MR. ANTHONY: -- or Karen?

10 MR. DAMSCHRODER: And, Karen, I'll start
11 out, and then Karen can add in.

12 Two recounts. The first is a
13 single-precinct, local option election in Columbus
14 Ward 38, Precinct B. The issue won by two votes,
15 which is within the one-half of 1 percent, so we
16 will recount that single precinct.

17 Then also Issue No. 5, which is the
18 Gahanna-Jefferson City School District Levy. It
19 failed and was within the one-half of 1 percent,
20 so we'll have to recount that.

21 To do the recount for Gahanna-Jefferson,
22 we will have to draw precincts until the vote
23 count equals 5 percent, Karen?

24 MS. COTTON: 5 percent.

1 MR. DAMSCHRODER: So if the Board would
2 first do the motion to fix the date, time, and
3 place of the recount, then we'll draw the
4 precincts.

5 MS. MARINELLO: All right.
6 Mr. Chairman, I move the Board set Wednesday,
7 December 1st, at 8:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m. as the
8 date and times for recounts to commence for
9 Issue No. 18B, local liquor option election for
10 Columbus Ward 38, Precinct B, and Issue No. 5,
11 Gahanna-Jefferson City School District Levy, to be
12 conducted simultaneously at both 280 East Broad
13 Street and 1719 Alum Creek Drive.

14 MR. ANTHONY: Do we have a second?

15 MR. MANIFOLD: Second.

16 MR. ANTHONY: All those in favor say
17 aye.

18 BOARD MEMBERS: Aye.

19 MR. ANTHONY: Motion carries.

20 So we'll do the count for the liquor
21 option first.

22 MR. DAMSCHRODER: Yeah, we'll do the
23 liquor option at 8:00 a.m., and then
24 Gahanna-Jefferson at 9:00 on Wednesday. We should

1 be able to finish up Gahanna-Jefferson on
2 Wednesday.

3 And then the next piece that we'll
4 address after we draw these precincts will be the
5 audit.

6 So what we have, Karen has prepared
7 little blue cards that have each precinct and the
8 public count for all the precincts that are in
9 Gahanna-Jefferson School District. We'll put them
10 in the jar, shake it up, and then we'll let Kim
11 draw the precincts again.

12 MS. COTTON: We have 46 of the cards
13 identified with a precinct and the public count
14 for each precinct. I put them in the official
15 pretzel jar.

16 (Laughter.)

17 MS. COTTON: Well, we have to be able to
18 see inside and make sure it was empty to start
19 with.

20 MR. ANTHONY: Official Board of
21 Elections precinct counting jar.

22 MS. COTTON: Well, we have to have
23 snacks, so the jar is multi-use.

24 MR. DAMSCHRODER: We'll take this down

1 to Kim, let Kim start drawing the cards.

2 MS. MARINELLO: 1B, 523.

3 MS. COTTON: That's Gahanna 1B?

4 MS. MARINELLO: Yeah, sorry.

5 Gahanna 2D, as in dog, 363.

6 Do I know when I'm stopping?

7 MR. DAMSCHRODER: We'll stop you.

8 MS. MARINELLO: Gahanna 2C, 555.

9 MS. COTTON: We're there.

10 MR. DAMSCHRODER: We'll leave those out
11 and come back to them.

12 MR. DAMSCHRODER: Now, as in the past,
13 for those precincts, my guess is at least two of
14 them are in multiple precinct locations, where the
15 precinct is in a building with other precincts.
16 We'll actually end up counting all the precincts
17 in that location, so we'll end counting far more
18 than the minimum required.

19 The next piece is the audit --
20 post-election audit that is required by a
21 Secretary of State -- a consent order between the
22 Secretary of State and the federal courts in a
23 litigation filed by the League of Women Voters
24 against the previous Secretary, that requires us

1 to do a post-election audit for all federal
2 general elections and presidential primary
3 elections.

4 Secretary of State's Office has not yet
5 issued the directive governing how we are to
6 conduct the post-election audit, so at this time
7 we're kind of just relying on the instructions
8 from two years ago. But we wanted to try to draw
9 these precincts today, as opposed to having to
10 drag you all back in next week to do that piece.

11 So what we'll do is we'll draw two sets.
12 We'll do an initial 5 percent and then an
13 additional 3 percent, because it was a secondary
14 trigger. If we're off by a certain number of
15 votes after the first round, we'll have to do the
16 additional 3 percent.

17 So instead of putting 802 cards in the
18 jug, what we have are three 10-sided dice. Red
19 will be the first digit, white will be the second
20 digit, blue will be the third digit.

21 So we'll let -- why don't we let Zach
22 roll the dice, and we'll just -- whatever they
23 come up with, give us that number, and we'll write
24 down that precinct number. And we'll keep rolling

1 until we get to 8 percent of the county.

2 MR. MANIFOLD: All right. Which order
3 does it go in?

4 MR. DAMSCHRODER: Red, white, and blue.

5 MR. MANIFOLD: All right.

6 (Mr. Manifold rolls dice.)

7 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: The line is on the
8 bottom, so 9 --

9 MR. MANIFOLD: 916.

10 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: -- 916, yeah.

11 MR. DAMSCHRODER: Which is not a
12 precinct, so we'll roll it again.

13 MR. MANIFOLD: Let's do this again.

14 (Mr. Manifold rolls dice.)

15 MR. MANIFOLD: All right. Red, white,
16 blue, 531.

17 MS. COTTON: 531 is Brown A, and that is
18 755 votes.

19 (Mr. Manifold rolls dice.)

20 MR. MANIFOLD: 432.

21 MS. COTTON: 432 is Columbus 78F, and
22 that is 392.

23 (Mr. Manifold rolls dice.)

24 MR. MANIFOLD: 251.

1 MS. COTTON: 251 is Columbus 50A, 405.

2 (Mr. Manifold rolls dice.)

3 MR. MANIFOLD: 216.

4 MS. COTTON: 216, 5 percent is -- are
5 you going for 5 percent first, and then 3 percent?

6 MR. DAMSCHRODER: Yeah.

7 MS. COTTON: So the 5 percent would be
8 19,435, so -- what was the number again? I'm
9 sorry.

10 MR. MANIFOLD: 216.

11 MS. COTTON: 216. That's 386, and
12 that's Columbus 45F.

13 (Mr. Manifold rolls dice.)

14 MR. MANIFOLD: 538.

15 MS. COTTON: 538 is Franklin Township,
16 Precinct C, 469.

17 MR. ANTHONY: What was 45F?

18 MR. PICCINNINI: 386.

19 MR. ANTHONY: 386?

20 (Mr. Manifold rolls dice.)

21 MR. MANIFOLD: 606.

22 MS. COTTON: 606 is Groveport B, 830.

23 (Mr. Manifold rolls dice.)

24 MR. MANIFOLD: 635.

