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**June 8, 2022**

**PROCEEDINGS OF**

**THE FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS**

before Chairman Douglas J. Preisse, Deputy Director David Payne, and Board Members Kimberly Marinello, Michael E. Sexton, and Josh Jaffe, on Wednesday, June 8, 2022, beginning at approximately 10:05 a.m., and concluding at approximately 10:33 a.m.

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**Also present:**

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**Matthew Kelly**  
**Carla Patton**  
**Jeffrey Mackey**

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1 Wednesday Morning Session  
2 June 8, 2022  
3 10:05 a.m.

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5 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: Looks like  
6 we have a quorum, but I will go ahead and take  
7 roll.

8 Kim Marinello.

9 MEMBER MARINELLO: Here.

10 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: Mike Sexton.

11 MEMBER SEXTON: Here.

12 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: Doug  
13 Preisse.

14 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Here.

15 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: And Josh  
16 Jaffe.

17 MEMBER JAFFE: Here.

18 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PANE: We indeed  
19 have a quorum.

20 We've got a -- not a new court  
21 reporter, a different court reporter today. So if  
22 everybody could identify themselves prior to  
23 speaking, I think that would be helpful, and speak  
24 slowly and precisely, I suppose.

25 The first item on the agenda is the  
certification of candidates to the August 2nd, 2022

1 Primary Election ballot. And I'll turn that over  
2 to Jeff Mackey, our director of petitions and  
3 filings.

4 MR. MACKEY: I gave her my card  
5 already, so.

6 You have before you Exhibit A, which  
7 includes 60 candidates whose petitions were timely  
8 filed and found to be valid and sufficient. All 60  
9 are recommended by staff for certification to the  
10 August 2nd special primary, whatever we're calling  
11 this election.

12 MEMBER SEXTON: Okay. Mr. Chairman,  
13 I move that the Board certify for the August 2nd,  
14 2022 Primary Election ballot those candidates  
15 listed on Exhibit A, and that these petitions were  
16 filed timely and found to be valid and sufficient.

17 I'm sorry. Michael Sexton.

18 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Doug Preisse,  
19 second the motion.

20 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: It's been  
21 properly moved and seconded.

22 All those in favor of the motion  
23 signify by saying aye.

24 (Vote taken.)

25 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: All opposed,

1 same sign.

2 (No response.)

3 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: Motion  
4 carries.

5 The next item on the agenda would be  
6 those candidates that are recommended for non-  
7 certification, and that's Exhibit B. And again  
8 I'll turn that over to Jeff Mackey to talk to that.

9 MR. MACKEY: So back in February or  
10 March, I forget now, we had four candidates who we  
11 previously decided not to recommend for  
12 certification. Those four candidates are again on  
13 the Exhibit B, first four candidates. We also  
14 added five candidates who filed petitions that were  
15 deemed not timely, so those have been added to this  
16 list per Directive 2022-34 that said we should  
17 reject those candidates, as well. So they are on  
18 this list, as well.

19 MEMBER JAFFE: Okay. I'm going to  
20 move that the Board not certify to the August 2nd,  
21 2022 Primary ballot; and my name is Josh Jaffe;  
22 those candidates listed on Exhibit B, and that  
23 these petitions were found to be invalid and  
24 insufficient.

25 MEMBER SEXTON: Michael Sexton, I'll

1 second.

2 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: It's been  
3 properly moved and seconded.

4 All those in favor of the motion,  
5 signify by saying aye.

6 (Vote taken.)

7 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: All opposed,  
8 same sign.

9 (No response.)

10 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: Motion  
11 carries.

12 In addition to the candidates that  
13 were recommended for certification and those that  
14 were not recommended for certification, there's one  
15 that we kind of have a standalone; Adam Miller,  
16 who's a Democratic candidate for state  
17 representative in the Ohio House Sixth District.

18 And I will turn that over to  
19 Amy Hiers, who is an able assistant here for  
20 Jeanine Hummer, who is on vacation.

21 You also see that Antone White, our  
22 director, is also on vacation. I don't believe  
23 they're vacationing together.

24 MEMBER MARINELLO: But you don't  
25 know that for sure.

1           DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: But I don't  
2 know that to be sure, yeah.

3           MS. HIERS: Good morning. Thank  
4 you, Deputy Director Payne. Yes, Amy Hiers on  
5 behalf of the Franklin County Prosecutor's Office.  
6 I also have with me here Assistant Prosecutor  
7 Andrea Hofer. So hopefully between the two of us,  
8 we'll be a good enough substitute for Jeanine  
9 Hummer and be able to answer any questions you have  
10 about this agenda item.

11           We believe, and the reason we wanted  
12 to talk to you about it today, is we believe under  
13 House Bill 93 and the addendum, that the petition  
14 for candidacy of Mr. Miller, that house bill and  
15 the addendum actually just doesn't apply to his  
16 petition for candidacy. It's a very --

17           MEMBER JAFFE: Before we get into  
18 details, can I ask, this is the subject of  
19 litigation, right?

20           MS. HIERS: It is.

21           MEMBER JAFFE: Is there any  
22 proprietary concern with discussing in an open  
23 meeting litigation in which the Board is a party?

24           MS. HIERS: I don't think for the  
25 purposes of this agenda item to vote today there



1 is.

2 MEMBER JAFFE: Okay.

3 MS. HIERS: Thank you for that  
4 question.

5 So under the specific circumstances  
6 in this, with this petition for candidacy; and we  
7 did talk to the Secretary of State's Office  
8 regarding it, because the circumstances were unique  
9 and seemed not to be covered by any of the  
10 directives of the Secretary of State. We did reach  
11 out and confirm with them that they are in  
12 agreement with us that if this Board were to vote  
13 to recertify Mr. Miller, because you know you've  
14 already certified him once, that if you voted to  
15 recertify him, that would be in line with state law  
16 and the directives of the Secretary of State.

17 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Could you walk us  
18 through to refresh us the set of chronological  
19 facts and circumstances?

20 MS. HIERS: Sure. Ms. Hofer will do  
21 that. Thank you.

22 MS. HOFER: Yes. So he had  
23 previously filed to run in the Sixth District, in  
24 the Sixth House District when his previous address  
25 was in that district. I believe he filed on

1 February 1st of 2022. I believe at that point the  
2 Board did certify his candidacy. So the Directive  
3 2022-026 created 2-ZA, that addendum, if you are  
4 running in another district.

5 Now, the reason it doesn't apply  
6 here, we think, is because he's not looking to run  
7 in another district. His previous address was in  
8 the Sixth District, which is when he filed his  
9 petition. His new address is in the Sixth  
10 District. So again, under these narrow  
11 circumstances, because he's not actually running in  
12 another district from which he applied, that is why  
13 we believe that House Bill 93 and that addendum,  
14 the 2-ZA form, doesn't apply here.

15 MS. HIERS: And I will note he did  
16 timely file his petition.

17 MEMBER JAFFE: If I could just  
18 observe a timeline jump that happened in that  
19 explanation, I believe. On February 1st when he  
20 filed, his address on Roxbury Road was in the Sixth  
21 District. But when this Board met to certify,  
22 which would have been in early March, I think, he  
23 was in the Seventh District; and that is the  
24 district that this Board previously certified him  
25 to run in. Is my recollection correct? I'm pretty

1 sure that that's what happened.

2 MS. HOFER: I am not sure about what  
3 happened at the March meeting. But I mean, the  
4 fact is that he's not running in another district  
5 now. His new address is in the Sixth District, as  
6 will be presented at the August primary.

7 MEMBER JAFFE: Sure. I understand  
8 that the district that his new address is in  
9 happens to have the same number as the district  
10 under a different map that existed around the time  
11 of filing.

12 I guess the part that I didn't  
13 follow; and I read the written version of this in  
14 detail; is, we were instructed in the Secretary of  
15 State's two directives essentially to disregard  
16 district number and to look at candidate residency  
17 when determining which district we should be  
18 certifying candidates in. If somebody wrote 12,  
19 and they were now in 3, we certified them in 3  
20 regardless of what the petition said. The petition  
21 district number sort of became immaterial, and the  
22 candidate's address was the relevant determiner.

23 Is that, am I characterizing the  
24 instruction reasonably, do you think?

25 MS. HOFER: Yes, I think you are.

1 But I just think that that directive was  
2 specifically, the 2-ZA form was specifically  
3 directed at candidates who were going to run in  
4 another district. And as I mentioned, it's still  
5 the same district, and so that is why we believe  
6 that it doesn't apply.

7 MEMBER JAFFE: Sure.

8 MS. HIERS: Thank you for these  
9 questions. And I know that you're probably like,  
10 You're not really answering them. But I will say,  
11 and this is why, one of the reasons that, you know,  
12 when we looked at it and went through it just kind  
13 of the way you are, that's why we actually reached  
14 out to the Secretary of State's Office to make sure  
15 that under these very specific factual  
16 circumstances, this was a candidate who could be  
17 recertified under these facts and circumstances,  
18 so.

19 MEMBER JAFFE: Sure. I'm trying to  
20 explore the reasoning so I can wrap my head around  
21 it as best as possible. I'm not an attorney, so  
22 forgive us for that.

23 MS. HIERS: And you'll forgive us  
24 for being attorneys, right?

25 MEMBER JAFFE: Yes. Yes.

1                   So the idea that it's not a  
2 different district rests entirely on the fact that  
3 the district number on his initial petition is the  
4 same now as the district number of the district he  
5 intends to run in, regardless of the fact that the  
6 maps were completely reconfigured, and he did, in  
7 fact, move across a district line since the Board  
8 last acted on his petition?

9                   MS. HOFER: Correct.

10                  MEMBER JAFFE: Okay. I guess that's  
11 a little bit of a concern to me, but you are the  
12 attorneys.

13                  And so is that sort of the reasoning  
14 not for why we believe he wasn't required to file  
15 the 2-ZA addendum form, but maybe why he didn't  
16 believe he needed to file the 2-ZA addendum form?

17                  And the reason I bring that up is,  
18 around the time that that form was required by the  
19 Secretary of State to be filed, he wasn't  
20 contemplating moving into a different district; he  
21 was, in fact, filing a lawsuit against this Board  
22 to run for a different office entirely at his  
23 address at the time. The Twenty-fifth State Senate  
24 District I believe was his plan at that point.

25                  So it looks to me based on that,

1 that he's shopping around for the right political  
2 opportunity and hoping the Board will grant him  
3 access to whatever he has now determined that is.

4 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Shocking.

5 MEMBER SEXTON: So Michael Sexton;  
6 the bottom line is, the prosecutor's office is  
7 recommending that we certify Adam Miller today?

8 MS. HIERS: We are. Thank you.

9 MEMBER SEXTON: Thank you.

10 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Any other  
11 questions or comments from the Board?

12 MEMBER MARINELLO: No questions.

13 Kim Marinello; I move that we  
14 certify to the August 2nd, 2022 Primary Election  
15 ballot Adam C. Miller, Democratic candidate for  
16 State Representative in Ohio House District 6.

17 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: And I, Doug  
18 Preisse, second the motion.

19 MEMBER JAFFE: Do a roll call.

20 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: We will do  
21 roll call.

22 Kim Marinello.

23 MEMBER MARINELLO: Yes.

24 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: Michael  
25 Sexton.

1 MEMBER SEXTON: Yes.

2 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: Doug  
3 Preisse.

4 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Yes.

5 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: And Josh  
6 Jaffe.

7 MEMBER JAFFE: No.

8 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: Motion  
9 carries three to one.

10 The next item on the agenda is the  
11 certification of local options. And again I'll  
12 turn that over to Jeff Mackey, our director of  
13 filings and petitions.

14 MR. MACKEY: Secretary of State's  
15 directive advised us that local options could  
16 appear. Usually they don't appear at an August  
17 special election, because there are no candidates.  
18 But we are holding a primary, and there are  
19 candidates, and the secretary recommended that we  
20 could also run local options at this election.

21 So we did have three local options  
22 that were timely filed. 41-C is two questions, so  
23 there's two questions there. But they were timely  
24 filed. The petitioners indicated that they wish to  
25 appear at the August election, and we found them to

1 be valid and sufficient.

2 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Holy geez, never  
3 heard of that.

4 MEMBER JAFFE: There's no questions.

5 I'll move that the Board certify it;  
6 this is Josh Jaffe; to the August 2nd, 2022 Primary  
7 Election ballot those local options listed on  
8 Exhibit C, and that these petitions were found to  
9 be valid and sufficient.

10 MEMBER SEXTON: This is Michael  
11 Sexton. I'll second.

12 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: It's been  
13 properly moved and seconded.

14 All those in favor of the motion,  
15 signify by saying aye.

16 (Vote taken.)

17 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: All opposed,  
18 same sign.

19 (No response.)

20 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: Motion  
21 carries.

22 The next item on the agenda is the  
23 purchase for paper for polling location change  
24 cards.

25 Whenever we change polling



1 locations, whether it be permanently or  
2 temporarily; in this case, it would be temporarily;  
3 we notify all those voters that are affected by  
4 sending them a postcard telling them of the change  
5 and where their new polling location is.

6 In the August 2nd election, we have  
7 been talking with the Ohio Secretary of State, and  
8 they've been talking to the other counties, as  
9 well, about reducing the number of polling  
10 locations.

11 First and foremost, we believe it's  
12 going to be a very low-turnout election. We are  
13 going to have some difficulty in recruiting poll  
14 workers at the numbers that we typically need to  
15 run an election. And typically for a countywide  
16 election, we need upwards of 4,000 poll workers.

17 The other thing that we're running  
18 into some difficulty is getting seasonal workers  
19 who have already planned vacations. Those are the  
20 folks that program our machines, deliver our  
21 machines, that type of thing.

22 And then finally, we're having some  
23 difficulty in getting polling locations themselves.  
24 Schools that we often use are being renovated, the  
25 gymnasiums are being renovated; it's been planned

1 for quite a long time. We often use churches. A  
2 lot of those churches are hosting vacation Bible  
3 schools and other programs. And then additionally,  
4 we use a lot of rec centers, which have already  
5 planned for summer programs.

6 So our plan is to reduce the polling  
7 locations, because we believe we can, because of  
8 low turnout, and also because of the need of lack  
9 of poll workers potentially, lack of seasonal  
10 workers, and lack of venues themselves.

11 So what we'd like to do is have  
12 approval to purchase the stock needed to send  
13 polling location change cards to all of those  
14 voters affected. And I'm going to guess that it's  
15 going to be somewhere around 400,000 voters of the  
16 860-some thousand that will be affected. We're  
17 thinking of going from 320 polling locations to  
18 about 153 polling locations.

19 And again, these would be temporary  
20 only for the August election, and then we would go  
21 back to our typical polling locations for the  
22 November election.

23 Again, this has been, we've been  
24 consulting with the Secretary of State and other  
25 counties to determine what they're doing. And I

1 think most, if not all, boards of elections will be  
2 reducing their polling locations, particularly the  
3 larger counties like Cuyahoga, Hamilton, Franklin,  
4 that type of thing.

5 So we have a description, a design  
6 of our polling cards. This is not different than  
7 what we've sent out before, but we wanted to show  
8 it to you. On the front of the card where the  
9 address goes, that is where it'll be described as  
10 to where the new polling location is.

11 Our web page will describe this, as  
12 well, so people can go to our web page. We will  
13 let all of our folks that answer the phones know of  
14 the polling location changes so they can answer any  
15 questions that voters have. So and we'll be doing  
16 press releases.

17 At all of the old polling locations,  
18 we will put up signage to show and tell people  
19 where their new polling location goes. So if they  
20 don't see it on our web page, they don't understand  
21 if they call in, they don't read the postcard; when  
22 they go to the old polling location, it will tell  
23 them where the new polling location is.

24 So I don't know if that adequately  
25 describes what we're trying to do or not or if

1 there's any questions.

2 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Yeah, couple  
3 questions. Doug Preisse. What did you say was  
4 going to be on this?

5 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: So you'll  
6 notice on this side, it just basically tells people  
7 that their polling location has moved. On this  
8 side, it will have the address that it's going to,  
9 but it'll also have the polling -- we will print  
10 the new polling location. It'll say, Your new  
11 polling location is; it'll give the name of the  
12 location and the address of the new location.

13 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: So both sides are  
14 going to say, You have a new polling location?

15 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: That is  
16 correct. And this side will actually specifically  
17 tell them where their new polling location is.

18 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: And if they go on  
19 the website, by the time this goes out, it will  
20 have been updated, so the voter will see their new  
21 temporary?

22 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: That is  
23 correct. And typically we send these out, I think  
24 the plan is to send these out on July 19th, which,  
25 typically two weeks before the election. You don't

1 want to send it out too early, we found out;  
2 otherwise people completely forget about it. We  
3 found out that about two weeks before the election  
4 is the -- is a good time to send that out.

5 MEMBER MARINELLO: Do we have to  
6 send them out again for November?

7 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: We won't  
8 send them out in November if it reverts back to the  
9 location that they're familiar with. So again,  
10 this will tell them it's only a temporary location,  
11 and in November it will go back to their old  
12 location. If it doesn't go back to their old  
13 location, we would send them something.

14 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Will you remind  
15 us, too, how often we send reminder postcards?  
16 Don't we do that on an annual basis?

17 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: We do that  
18 every election as far as if your location moves.  
19 If it's not --

20 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: If it doesn't  
21 move, we don't send anything out?

22 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: Correct.

23 MEMBER SEXTON: It's my  
24 understanding several other counties do, though.  
25 Cuyahoga, every election they send out a notice

1 regardless, not if it changes.

2 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: You know  
3 what, that could -- I'm not certain. You could  
4 very well be right. Maybe that's something we want  
5 to look at. You might have a good point, because  
6 the one they're used to, the one that they're  
7 changing to, and then it's going back. Maybe we  
8 want to do that.

9 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: That's what I was  
10 kind of thinking about, too.

11 MEMBER SEXTON: I think it's  
12 confusing if, you know, you change it in August,  
13 and then, you know, you don't get anything, and  
14 then you go back to the -- where you voted. So we  
15 might want to think about it.

16 MEMBER MARINELLO: Definitely.  
17 Because that's not their life like it is ours.

18 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: I think we  
19 can, I mean, if that's something that the Board  
20 would like to do, I think we -- let's just say  
21 we're going to do it. And then we need to make  
22 sure that we can get the proper amount of card  
23 stock. Because it is -- we've ordered it, and  
24 we've ordered it well in advance prior to this  
25 election. But we'll have to do that, because I

1 know that paper is at a premium, so.

2 MEMBER MARINELLO: Yes.

3 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: Am I talking  
4 out of -- Somebody correct me if I'm -- Because I  
5 don't want to promise something we can't deliver.

6 MEMBER JAFFE: So this doesn't  
7 articulate anywhere that it's likely to be a  
8 temporary change.

9 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: It will on  
10 the front. It'll say, This is a temporary polling  
11 location change only for this election. It will  
12 tell them where it is. But that, again, they're  
13 actually going to be visiting that, so.

14 MEMBER JAFFE: Right.

15 MEMBER MARINELLO: Kim Marinello; I  
16 move that the Board authorize the payment of  
17 \$47,270.68 to Sterling Paper and the Franklin  
18 County Print Shop. The cost includes the purchase  
19 of 401,250 sheets of paper card stock and the  
20 printing of location change cards for the  
21 August 2nd, 2022 Primary Election and future  
22 elections.

23 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Doug Preisse,  
24 second the motion.

25 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: It's been

1 properly moved and seconded.

2 All those in favor of the motion,  
3 signify by saying aye.

4 (Vote taken.)

5 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: All opposed,  
6 same sign.

7 (No response.)

8 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: Motion  
9 carries.

10 The next item on the agenda is an  
11 audit report. And I'll turn that over to Matt  
12 Kelly, the director of our absentee ballot  
13 department.

14 MR. KELLY: Good morning,  
15 Mr. Chairman, members of the Board.

16 On June 6th and 7th, the Franklin  
17 County Board of Elections conducted a post-election  
18 audit of three races in the May 3rd, 2022 Primary  
19 Election, as instructed by directive of the Ohio  
20 Secretary of State's Office.

21 The required post-election audits  
22 were formatted as simple standard percentage-based  
23 audits conducted by selecting just over five  
24 percent of total ballots cast in the May 3rd, 2022  
25 Primary Election from randomly selected voting



1 locations or lids and all of the precincts  
2 contained within those lids. The lids, as you guys  
3 know, were chosen during the last Board meeting on  
4 May 25th, 2022.

5 The audit consisted of two statewide  
6 contested races, the Democratic governor's contest,  
7 and the U.S. Republican Senate contest, and one  
8 countywide contested judicial race on the  
9 Democratic party side between Mike Boyle and  
10 Julie Lynch.

11 All of the ballots in the audits  
12 were reviewed by teams of sworn Board of Elections  
13 employees paired up in bipartisan groups of four,  
14 with each team consisting of two Republicans and  
15 two Democrats, who would verbally call out  
16 candidates. And ballot marks were made in a  
17 hand-tally fashion on the ballot cards in those  
18 races.

19 The results of the audit are as  
20 follows. Comprehensively between all results of  
21 all three races included in the audit totaling  
22 7,794 ballots that were reviewed and tallied by  
23 hand, I'm pleased to report that the overall  
24 accuracy rate for Franklin County's post-election  
25 audit was 100 percent.

1                   This means that all ballots that  
2 were hand-counted and tallied as part of this audit  
3 in all three contests as part of this audit matched  
4 the machine counts exactly, as reported in the  
5 official canvas submitted to you on May 25th, 2022.  
6 There are no discrepancies, no inaccuracies, no  
7 changes, and no findings to this report as a result  
8 of the audit.

9                   Obviously, this 100-percent accuracy  
10 rate is well above the 99.5-percent accuracy rate  
11 that's set forth by the Ohio Secretary of State's  
12 Office as the minimum standard. Therefore, what  
13 the audit concluded and what the 100-percent  
14 accuracy rate affirmed, the only action required by  
15 the Board today is to accept the contents included  
16 in this report and include this affirmation of this  
17 report as part of the Board's meeting record.

18                   So with that, I ask for your  
19 approval and acceptance of this final post-election  
20 audit report. Any questions?

21                   CHAIRMAN PREISSE: That sounded very  
22 good.

23                   MR. KELLY: Hundred percent's always  
24 good.

25                   MEMBER JAFFE: Move to accept the

1 report, and very well done.

2 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Second.

3 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: It's been  
4 properly moved and seconded to accept the audit  
5 report.

6 All those in favor of the motion,  
7 signify by saying aye.

8 (Vote taken.)

9 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: All opposed,  
10 same sign.

11 (No response.)

12 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: Motion  
13 carries.

14 The next item on the agenda is a  
15 Most Populous County Report. I'll turn it over to  
16 Carla Patton, our director of operations, to give  
17 that report.

18 MS. PATTON: Good morning.

19 Before you, you have the summary  
20 that includes overlaps of the official results for  
21 Franklin County. With us having 100-percent  
22 accuracy on our audit and no amendments necessary  
23 to our results, before you is the report that  
24 includes the overlap counties that report to us for  
25 the 15th Congressional race, Democratic and

1 Republican. So you will -- that is the only race  
2 that is affected. But the report does contain all  
3 races to create a cumulative report of everything.

4 So we just want to present this to  
5 you so that you are aware that we have an overlap.  
6 No -- The results have all been certified by the  
7 respective counties already, so there is no need to  
8 certify these results. But this is simply a  
9 purpose of presenting you with the overlapping Most  
10 Populous results for all races in Franklin County.

11 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: Carla, thank  
12 you. Would it be appropriate to accept the report?

13 MS. PATTON: We would ask that you  
14 accept the report.

15 MEMBER JAFFE: Move to accept the  
16 report.

17 MEMBER MARINELLO: Second.

18 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: It's been  
19 properly moved to accept the Most Populous County  
20 Report.

21 All those in favor of the motion,  
22 signify by saying aye.

23 (Vote taken.)

24 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: All opposed,  
25 same sign.

1 (No response.)

2 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: Motion  
3 carries.

4 I don't see anything else on the  
5 agenda. Is there anything that needs to be brought  
6 up by the Board or --

7 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Doesn't look like  
8 it. Thank you.

9 MEMBER SEXTON: The only thing, we  
10 have -- what's the status of the meeting on Friday?

11 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: Yes. So  
12 there is a tentative meeting for protests for  
13 Friday at 10 o'clock. Folks have the ability to  
14 file a protest for those candidates only that we've  
15 certified by 4 o'clock tomorrow. So we won't know  
16 until tomorrow at 4:00 p.m. if we need to have a  
17 meeting on Friday at 10:00 a.m. So we will let the  
18 Board know either way whether we have a protest and  
19 we need to meet, or whether we don't and we don't  
20 need to meet.

21 MEMBER MARINELLO: Okay.

22 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: We've sent  
23 out a notice.

24 MS. GIBBONS: A notice has gone out.  
25 I'll send out a cancelation notice if no one files

1 by 4:00 p.m. tomorrow, and I will shoot an email to  
2 all of you.

3 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Thank you.

4 I move to adjourn.

5 MEMBER MARINELLO: Second.

6 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: We're  
7 adjourned.

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9 Thereupon, the proceedings were adjourned at  
10 approximately 10:33 a.m.

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THE STATE OF OHIO:

SS:

COUNTY OF FRANKLIN:

I, Sarah S. Collignon, a Professional Reporter and Notary Public in and for the State of Ohio, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true, correct, and complete written transcript of the proceedings in this matter;

That the foregoing was taken by me stenographically and transcribed by me with computer-aided transcription;

That the foregoing occurred at the aforementioned time and place;

That I am not an attorney for or relative of either party and have no interest whatsoever in the event of this litigation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal of office at Columbus, Ohio, this 5th day of July, 2022.

/s/Sarah S. Collignon  
Notary Public, State of Ohio

My Commission Expires: January 9, 2025.

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