

# VOTE CUYAHOGA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

**Board Meeting**  
**11/22/2021**

**Attending:**

Jeff Hastings, Chairman  
Inajo Davis Chappell, Board Member  
Lisa M. Stickan, Board Member  
David Wondolowski, Board Member  
Anthony W. Perlatti, Director  
Tony Kaloger, Deputy Director

Mark R. Musson, Assistant Prosecutor, Cuyahoga County  
Mary Bejjani, Clerk to the Board  
Linda Walker, Clerk to the Board

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The Cuyahoga County Board of Elections Meeting began at 1:58 p.m. Hereinafter referred to as the CCBOE/Board.

Chairman Hastings noted that all Board Members were in attendance.

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**Agenda Item 1: Approval of the minutes from the November 15, 2021 Board Meeting**

Chairman Hastings moved to approve the minutes from the November 15, 2021, Board Meeting. Board Member Wondolowski seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

**Agenda Item 2: Certification of the official results of the November 2, 2021 General Election**

Brian Cleary, Ballot Department Manager, presented information from the Board Packet concerning the certification of the official results from the November 2, 2021 General Election.

- Authorization to approve the remake of the optical scan ballots from the November 2, 2021 General Election  
Chairman Hastings moved to authorize to approve the remake of optical scan ballots from the November 2, 2021 General Election. Board Member Wondolowski seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
- Authorization to approve absentee ballots from the November 2, 2021 General Election  
Chairman Hastings moved to approve absentee ballots from the November 2, 2021 General Election. Board Member Wondolowski seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
- Authorization to approve provisional ballots from the November 2, 2021 General Election  
Chairman Hastings moved to authorize approval of provisional ballots from the November 2, 2021 General Election. Board Member Wondolowski seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

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<sup>1</sup> Narrative that is underlined in the CCBOE minutes relates to a motion that was acted on by the Board.

- Acknowledgment of the pre & post-test results of the vote tabulation system from the November 2, 2021 General Election  
Chairman Hastings moved to acknowledge the pre & post-test results of the vote tabulation system from the November 2, 2021 General Election. Board Member Wondolowski seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
- Acknowledgement of Official District-Wide Results of the November 2, 2021 General Election for Cuyahoga, Geauga, Lake, and Summit Counties  
Chairman Hastings moved to acknowledge the Official District-Wide Results of the November 2, 2021 General Election for Cuyahoga, Geauga, Lake, and Summit Counties. Board Member Wondolowski seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Hastings moved to certify the official results of the November 2, 2021 General Election. Board Member Wondolowski seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

**Agenda Item 3: Acknowledgment of the date, time, and place of the post-election audit for the November 2, 2021, General Election**

Brian Cleary, Ballot Department Manager, stated the post-election audit for the November 2, 2021 General Election is scheduled for Monday, December 13, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. The contests to be audited include the 11th Congressional District, City of Cleveland Mayor, and City of Cleveland Issue 24 as directed by the Secretary of State.

Chairman Hastings moved to acknowledge the post-election audit for the November 2, 2021 General Election on Monday, December 13, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. Member Wondolowski seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

**Agenda Item 4: Acknowledgment of resignation from elected office**

Chairman Hastings moved to acknowledge the resignation from elected office. Board Member Wondolowski seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

**Walk-On Agenda Item: Fiscal Services Voucher.**

Kendra Zusy, Fiscal Services Manager, stated the Board Members approved the purchase award to Marketing Communications Resources at the October 18, 2021, Board Meeting.

Chairman Hastings moved to approve the Fiscal Services Voucher. Board Member Wondolowski seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Post-Election Audit**

Director Perlatti stated that Secretary of State Frank LaRose would be attending the Post-Election Audit on December 13, 2021.

### **November 2, 2021 General Election Night**

Director Perlatti stated there was an unexpected shortage of contracted law enforcement officers for Election Night for the November 2, 2021 General Election. The CCBOE quickly worked to resolve the deficit with the cooperation of the Cuyahoga County Sheriff's Office. The Sheriff's office shifted resources to provide enough officers for the required security assignments. The CCBOE investigated the reason for the shortages with the contractor, Willow Security. The CCBOE found the contractor is experiencing understaffing issues due to overtime mandates in several municipalities. Going forward, the CCBOE will take steps to make certain additional resources are available on election night. The CCBOE was billed by the contractor only for the security officers who worked Election Night.

### **Maple Heights Council District 6 Recall Election**

Director Perlatti provided an update on the November 23, 2021 Maple Height Council District 6 Recall Election. Early In-Person voting will close on November 22, 2021 at 2:00 p.m. Through Sunday, November 21, 2021, there have been 13 Early In-Person voters, 66 requests for ballot applications, and 21 returned ballots. The Maple Heights Council District 6 Recall Election will be staffed by the CCBOE staff and staff is handling many processes without third-party vendors. The Election Support Department is delivering the election equipment on November 22, 2021. There will be no Monday night organizational meeting. The CCBOE staff will set-up for the Election on Tuesday morning.

### **Cuyahoga County Council Redistricting**

Director Perlatti stated that the CCBOE staff completed the changes to the County Council redistricting maps, and the updated changes will be on the CCBOE website today. Director Perlatti will be communicating with the County Council Law Department, advising them of the redistricting updates.

### **CCBOE Website**

Director Perlatti commented that the training for the CCBOE Website is going well, and the response has been positive.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Jonathan Platt provided public comment on the quality of the audio on YouTube recording of the CCBOE's 11/15/21 Board meeting.

Reverend Pinkney Butts provided public comments regarding items on the agenda and the official election results for the November 2, 2021, General Election.

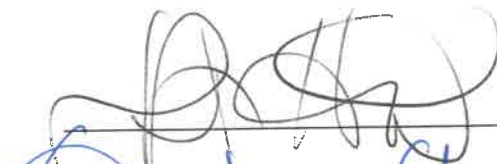
At 2:27 p.m. Chairman Hastings motioned to go into executive session for the purpose of discussing employee compensation. Board Member Wondolowski seconded, and a roll call was taken, and each Board Member voted in the affirmative.

At 2:53 p.m., after returning from the executive session, Chairman Hastings motioned to come out of the executive session. Board Member Wondolowski seconded, and a roll call was taken, and each Board Member voted in the affirmative.

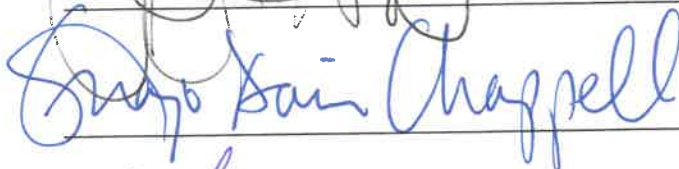
Chairman Hastings moved to recess the meeting at 2:53 p.m. Board Member Wondolowski seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Certification: I have reviewed the above minutes and certify that they are an accurate summary of the actions taken by the Cuyahoga County Board of Elections at its meeting held on November 22, 2021.

Jeff Hastings, Chairman



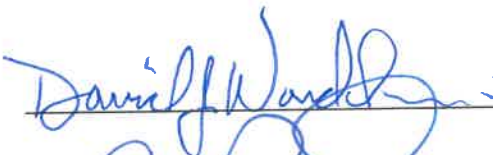
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