



STATE OF MICHIGAN
TERRI LYNN LAND, SECRETARY OF STATE
DEPARTMENT OF STATE
LANSING

**Meeting
of the
Board of State Canvassers**

December 22, 2006

**State Capitol, Room 426
Lansing, Michigan**

Called to order: 10:10 a.m.

Members present: Katherine DeGrow – Chairperson
James L. Waters – Vice-Chairperson
Lyn R. Bankes
Erane C. Washington-Kendrick

Members absent: None.

Agenda item: Consideration of meeting minutes for approval.

Board action on agenda item: As there were no requested revisions or corrections, Ms. DeGrow announced the approval of the minutes prepared for the Board’s meeting of November 27, 2006.

Agenda item: Report on the recount of votes cast at the November 7, 2006 general election for the candidates who sought election to the office of District Court Judge, District 55.

Board action on agenda item: Billie O’Berry, the candidate who petitioned for the recount, addressed the Board and requested additional time to review the listing of the precincts which were determined “not recountable.” The Board members granted Ms. O’Berry’s request and agreed to return to the agenda item after receiving the staff’s report on the recounts conducted in the 32nd State Senate District, the 61st State House District and the 55th Circuit Court.

Agenda item: Report on the recount of votes cast at the November 7, 2006 general election for the candidates who sought election to the office of State Senator, District 32.

Board action on agenda item: The Board accepted testimony from Carl Williams, the candidate who petitioned for the recount; Melvin Butch

Hollowell, attorney for Carl Williams; and John Pirich, attorney for Roger Kahn, the candidate elected to the office. At the conclusion of the testimony, a motion was entered to certify the results obtained at the recount. Moved by Bankes; supported by Waters. Ayes: DeGrow, Waters, Bankes, Washington-Kendrick. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Agenda item: Report on the recount of votes cast at the November 7, 2006 general election for the candidates who sought election to the office of State Representative, District 61.

Board action on agenda item: Motion to certify the results obtained at the recount. Moved by Washington-Kendrick; supported by Bankes. Ayes: DeGrow, Waters, Bankes, Washington-Kendrick. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Agenda item: Report on the recount of votes cast at the November 7, 2006 general election for the candidates who sought election to the office of Circuit Court Judge, Circuit 55.

Board action on agenda item: The Board accepted testimony from Tara Hovey, the candidate who petitioned for the recount; Ghazey Aleck, attorney for Tara Hovey; and Roy Mienk, the candidate elected to the office. At the conclusion of the testimony, a motion was entered to certify the results obtained at the recount. Moved by Bankes; supported by DeGrow. Ayes: DeGrow, Waters, Bankes, Washington-Kendrick. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Agenda item: Report on the recount of votes cast at the November 7, 2006 general election for the candidates who sought election to the office of District Court Judge, District 55.

Board action on agenda item: Motion that Board direct staff to determine the recountability of three precincts determined “not recountable” due to ballot balance discrepancies (Delhi Charter Township, precinct 7; Delhi Charter Township, absent voter counting board precinct 14; City of Mason, precinct 3). Moved by Washington-Kendrick; supported by Waters. Ayes: DeGrow, Waters, Bankes, Washington-Kendrick. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The Board accepted testimony from Billie O’Berry, the candidate who petitioned for the recount, and Michael Hodge, attorney for Tom Boyd, the candidate elected to the office. Christopher M. Thomas, Board Secretary, reported that staff had confirmed through a physical count of the ballots secured for the three precincts referenced above, that the precincts were “not recountable” due to ballot balance discrepancies. At the conclusion of the testimony and the Secretary’s report, a motion was entered to certify the results obtained at the recount. Moved by Washington-Kendrick;

supported by Waters. Ayes: DeGrow, Waters, Bankes, Washington-Kendrick. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Adjourned: 1:00 p.m.

Chairperson

Vice-Chairperson

Member

Member

Date