

Roanoke City Electoral Board Meeting Minutes Monday June 17th, 2019

Meeting called to order at 3:01PM

In attendance: Electoral Board members Sharon Lazar, Byron Hamlar, and John Brill; and Director of Elections & General Registrar Andrew Cochran.

- Discussion of CAP & methods for recording ballots used
- Abstracts for the Primary were signed by all members
- Discussion of Electronic Poll Book (EPB) issues on election day. There was a glitch in the software on the thumbdrives that made them unusable at the start of day. The issue was quickly identified and a resolution achieved. New thumbs drives were quickly burned and distributed to the precincts.
- Discussion on the merits of having paper pollbooks as backups each election. The general consensus was that the provisional ballots would still need to be cast and processed, with each provisional ballot envelope being filled out by each individual voter, and thus constituting a record of who voted. Further, a paper pollbook would only be valid at the beginning of the day. Later in the day it would be impossible to verify that a voter had not already voted during the course of the day and would still be required to cast a provissional ballot.
- Volunteers for the campaigns outside one of the polling places told voters that the poll books were down.
- Discussion of sending letters to voters whose votes do count. No decision made.
- Discussion of other election day observations.
- Minutes approved for 5.31.19, 6.07.19, 6.12.19, and 6.13.19.
- General Discussion.

Meeting adjourned at 4:02PM

Respectfully submitted by John Brill, Secretary of the Roanoke City Electoral Board