

**HOWARD COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS**

**MEETING MINUTES**

9770 Patuxent Woods Drive, Suite 200  
Columbia, MD 21046

**Tuesday, November 8, 2016 – 9:24 pm**

**Special Open Board Meeting**

**ATTENDEES:**

**Board Members:**

Donna K. Thewes	Board President, Republican Member
Ann M. Balcerzak	Vice President, Democratic Member
Patrick R. Mullinix	Republican Member
Raymond M. Rankin	Democratic Substitute
Diane L. Butler	Republican Substitute
Michael S. Molinaro	Board Counsel

**Staff:**

Phyllis A. West	Board Secretary
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**Guests:** None

**CALL TO ORDER AND DECLARATION OF QUORUM**

Board President Donna Thewes called the meeting to order at 9:24 pm and stated that all members of the Board were in attendance. The meeting was duly publicized per COMAR regulations. President Thewes stated that the meeting was called solely for the purpose of fulfilling COMAR Regulation 33.08.05.04 requiring the Board of Elections to select six random polling places to include in the Post-Primary Election Audit.

**Action:** Each Board member selected a precinct to audit. The selected precincts were 1.04, 2.06, 3.01, 4.05, 5.20 and 6.01.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, President Thewes asked for a motion to adjourn the Special Open Board Meeting. Ray Rankin offered a motion to adjourn, which was seconded by Diane Butler.

**Action:** The Board unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 9:27 pm.

The Board of Canvassers next meeting will be held on Thursday, November 10th at 10:00 am for the first Absentee Canvass; Wednesday, November 16th at 10:00 am for the Provisional

Canvass and beginning of the second Absentee Canvass; and Friday, November 18 to finish the second Absentee Canvass plus Election Certification.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Phyllis A. West, Board Secretary

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Donna K. Thewes, Board President