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**Wayne County Board of Elections
County Canvass
November 17, 2023**

Eddie L. Edwards, III, Chairman
Jimmy E. Hull, Member
Charles Wright, Member
Anne Risku, Director

Nicki T. Artis, Secretary
Bridgette C. Cowan, Member
Andrew Neal, Staff Attorney

The meeting was held at the properly noticed date and time and a quorum was present. Mr. Edwards called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

I. Approval of the November 17, 2023 Agenda

1. Ms. Cowan made a motion to amend the agenda to add Manual Edit as the second item on the agenda. Mr. Hull seconded the motion, and the vote was unanimous.
2. Ms. Cowan made a motion to approve the November 17, 2023 meeting agenda as amended. Mr. Wright seconded the motion, and the vote was unanimous.

II. Manual Edit

1. Ms. Risku presented the Board with (1) supplemental absentee ballot that was cast timely via the Visually Impaired Person Portal that needed to be added via manual edit. Mr. Wright made a motion to approve the manual edit. Mr. Artis seconded the motion, and the vote was unanimous.
2. The Board signed the *Supplemental Certificate of Executed Absentee Ballots*, the *Supplemental Absentee Abstract*, and the list of *Supplemental Absentee Voters*.

III. Signing of Final Pollbook of Absentee Voters

1. The Board signed the *Final Pollbook of Absentee Voters*.

IV. Canvass of November 7, 2023 General Election

1. The Board reviewed the Canvass Documents.
2. Ms. Cowan made a motion to canvass the November 7, 2023 General Election. Mr. Wright seconded the motion, and the vote was unanimous.
3. The Board signed the *Abstract of Votes*.

V. Early Voting Schedule March 5, 2024 Primary Election:

1. Ms. Risku presented the Board with data from previous Early Voting plans, Redistricting and upcoming candidate filing information for the March 5, 2024 primary.
2. The Board declined to discuss or take action on the March 5, 2024 Primary Early Voting plan and instead agreed to call a special meeting for that purpose at a later date.

VI. Public Comment

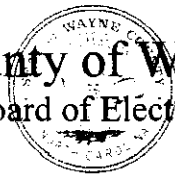
1. No members of the public presented to speak.

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VII. Board Comments

1. Mr. Artis thanked the staff for their hard work during the election cycle.
2. Mr. Hull stated that it seemed the few incidents we had stemmed from ignorance on the voter's part and thanked the staff and precinct officials for their patience.
3. Mr. Wright thanked the staff and the members of the public who acted respectfully. He also stated he hoped for higher turnout in future elections.
4. Ms. Cowan expressed her appreciation for the staff and precinct officials who conducted the election.
5. Mr. Edwards stated that he hears from other counties and the State Board that Wayne County has the best elections staff in the state. He thanked the staff for their hard work and devotion to the process and thanked the voters who participated in the election.

VIII. Adjournment

1. With all business having been conducted, Mr. Hull made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Wright seconded the motion, and the vote was unanimous. The Board adjourned at 11:41 a.m.

Nicki T. Artis, Secretary