Augusta County Electoral Board **Approved** Minutes of Canvass Meeting November 3, 2021 Board of Supervisor's Conference Room Augusta County Government Center

 Call to Order. The Canvass meeting was called to order at 10:00 am. Present were: Marcy Reedy, Chair; Dave Leatherwood Vice-Chair; and Georgia Alvis-Long, Secretary. Others present were Dave Bourne, Republican Party Chair; Sharon Griffin, Republican Party Observer; and Kirk Barley, Republican Party Observer.

Marcy welcomed everyone to the meeting, determined an EB quorum was present, reviewed the County's emergency evacuation plan, reported that the provisional ballots had been given to the Director of Elections/General Registrar for research purposes, and stated that the Board would begin the proceedings of the Canvass.

II. Canvass. The Board began the canvass of election results by opening in turn the Envelope 2 from each precinct and comparing Statements of Results to the abstracts that had been created from the precinct call-ins on election night.

12:00 pm. Provisional Ballot review. No affected voters were present. Dave moved to postpone the provisional ballot review until Friday, November 5, 2021 at noon when all provisional ballots would be able to be considered and to resume reviewing precincts Envelope 2. Georgia seconded and the motion was approved unanimously.

- III. Continuation of Canvass. At 12:02 pm, the Board resumed the canvass of election results by opening in turn the Envelope 2 from each precinct and comparing Statements of Results to the abstracts that had been created from the precinct call-ins on election night.
- IV. Adjournment/Recess until November 4, 2021. At 4:53 pm, not all precincts had been able to be completed with the comparison of Statement of Results to abstracts. Dave moved to recess the Canvass proceedings until tomorrow at 10 am. Georgia seconded and the motion was approved unanimously. The Board took all election material back to the Director of Elections/General Registrar's office, where it was all securely locked.

Augusta County Electoral Board **Approved** Minutes of Canvass Meeting November 4, 2021 Board of Supervisor's Conference Room Augusta County Government Center

- Call to Order. The Canvass meeting was called to order at 10:00 am. Present were: Marcy Reedy, Chair; Dave Leatherwood Vice-Chair; Georgia Alvis-Long, Secretary. Others present were: Kirk Barley, Republican Party Observer.
- II. Continuation of Canvass. The Board resumed the canvass of election results by opening in turn the Envelope 2, from the remaining precincts, to begin comparing the Statements of Results to the abstracts that had been created from the precinct call-ins on election night.
- III. Counting of write-in votes for Middle River School Board = 16.46% Crimora - Marcus Sanders - 132 votes Other - 17 votes
  Weyers Cave - Marcus Sanders - 153 votes Other - 19 votes
  New Hope - Marcus Sanders - 270 votes Other - 9 votes

Any further ballots with write-in votes to be counted, per Va. Code § 24.2-709, for the Middle River School Board will be done on Friday during the Provisional ballot meeting.

IV. Adjournment/Recess until November 5, 2021. At 12:50pm, Dave moved to recess the Canvass proceedings until tomorrow at 12 pm. Georgia seconded and the motion was approved unanimously.

The Board took all election material back to the Director of Elections/General Registrar's office, where it was all securely locked.

Augusta County Electoral Board **Approved** Minutes of Canvass/Provisional Ballot Meeting November 5, 2021 Board of Supervisor's Conference Room Augusta County Government Center

- Call to Order. The Canvass/Provisional Ballot meeting was called to order at 12:00 pm. Present were: Marcy Reedy, Chair; Dave Leatherwood Vice-Chair; Georgia Alvis-Long, Secretary. Others present were: Kirk Barley, Republican Party Authorized Representative and Timmy Simmons, Independent Candidate for Pastures School Board.
- II. Continuation of Canvass. The Board resumed the Canvass of counting write-in votes for the Middle River School Board.
  CAP EV - Marcus Sanders - 23 votes Other - 28 votes
  CAP Election Day - Marcus Sanders - 4 votes Other - 5 votes
- III. Provisional Ballot Review. The Board convened the provisional portion of the Canvass, as required by Va. Code § 24.2-653, to allow voters casting provisional ballots in the November 2, 2021, General Election, to present any information that might prove they are qualified registered voters in the precinct where they cast their provisional ballot.

Georgia moved that the Augusta County Electoral Board enter into Closed Session Pursuant to §24.2-653(B) of the Code of Virginia for the purpose of considering whether each person who submitted a provisional vote at the November 2nd, 2021 General Election was qualified to do so, and further moved that one Authorized Representative of each political party or Independent Candidate shall be allowed to remain in the room during the closed meeting, and that any persons who cast provisional votes and who are present be allowed to enter the room while their qualifications are considered and to present any relevant information on their behalf to the Board. Dave seconded and the motion was approved unanimously.

No affected voters were present. The above named Republican Party Authorized Representative and the Independent Candidate for Pastures School Board were present to observe the proceedings.

At 4:49pm, Dave moved that the Augusta County Electoral Board re-enter into Open Session. Georgia seconded and the motion was unanimously approved.

At 4:50 pm, the Board concluded the Closed Session for Provisional Ballot review. Dave moved that the Augusta County Electoral Board certify that in the closed session just concluded, the only matters discussed were the qualifications of provisional voters, as permitted by Virginia Code § 24.2-653, and as identified in the motion to close the meeting pursuant to the Virginia Freedom of Information Act. Georgia seconded and the motion was approved unanimously.

Georgia moved that 44 out of the 89 Provisional Ballots entered as recommended on the Master Provisional Ballot Log be <u>accepted</u> for the reasons determined by a majority vote of the Electoral Board and that 45 out of the 89 and that 45 out of the 89 Provisional Ballots entered as recommended on the Master Provisional Ballot Log be <u>rejected</u> for the reasons determined by a majority vote of the Electoral Board. Dave seconded and the motion was approved unanimously. The tabulation is included in the Provisional Precinct Statement of Results.

Upon review of the Provisional Ballots 1 write-in vote was accepted for <u>Marcus Sanders</u>, which brought his <u>total votes for Middle River School Board to 583</u>.

The Board unanimously agreed to not include in the minutes of this Canvass any names in the "Other" category, as there would be far too many to report. David Shifflett received 83.54% of the total votes cast, therefore clearly receiving the most votes cast for Middle River School Board.

At 4:55pm, the Board took all election material back to the Director of Elections/General Registrar's office, where it was all securely locked.

- Abstract of Votes. The Board presented the Provisional Precinct SOR to the General Registrar who III. will finalize the Abstract of Votes for the election to be sent to ELECT. Due to the Director of Elections/General Registrar's office closing at 5:00 pm, the Abstract of Votes will be ready for the Board to sign and seal on Monday, November 8th.
- IV. Adjournment. Georgia moved that there being no further business, other than the signatures and sealing the Abstract of Votes on Monday, this meeting of the November 2, 2021 General Election be adjourned. Dave seconded and the motion was approved unanimously. The next meeting date and time is to be determined.

Respectfully submitted,

Georgia Alvis-Long, Secretary