

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF CANVASSERS  
IN THE CITY OF NEW YORK  
HELD ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 10, 2023 AT 1:30 P.M.  
42 BROADWAY, 6<sup>th</sup> FLOOR, COMMISSIONERS' HEARING ROOM  
NEW YORK, NY 10004

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PRESENT: President Simon Shamoun  
Secretary Rodney L. Pepe-Souvenir

Commissioners Jose M. Araujo, Michael Coppotelli, Gino A. Marmorato, Keith Sullivan, Frederic M. Umane

Michael J. Ryan, Executive Director  
Vincent M. Ignizio, Deputy Executive Director  
Georgea Kontzamanis, Operations Manager  
Hemalee J. Patel, General Counsel  
Raphael Savino, Deputy General Counsel  
Steven B. Denkberg, Counsel to the Commissioners  
Kenneth Moltner, Counsel to the Commissioners

Queens County: Amanda Berinato, Chief Clerk  
Bart J. Haggerty, Deputy Chief Clerk

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Mr. Ryan opened the meeting with item #1 of the meeting agenda, and requested that the Commissioners Committee convene a meeting of the Board of Canvassers to certify additional results of the November 8, 2022 General Election, for Assembly District 23, in Queens County.

Pursuant to the provisions of Title 2 of Article 9 of the New York State Election Law, President Shamoun called the meeting of the Board of Canvassers in the City of New York to order for the purposes of certifying the canvass of votes

cast in Assembly District 23, during the November 8, 2022 General Election conducted within the City of New York.

This contest was subject to a mandatory manual recanvass, pursuant to New York State Election Law § 9-208, which has now been concluded.

President Shamoun designated Commissioner Sullivan to serve as the other Republican member of the Canvassing Board, and Secretary Pepe-Souvenir designated Commissioner Araujo to serve as the other Democratic member of the Canvassing Board.

The Chief and Deputy Chief Clerk of Queens and their staff, have prepared and signed the Returns of Canvass regarding the 23<sup>rd</sup> Assembly District for the November 8, 2022 General Election in Queens County, in accordance with the Board's policies and procedures.

The Returns were presented to the Canvassing Board for review and approval.

Amanda Berinato, Chief Clerk and Bart Haggerty, Deputy Chief Clerk, confirmed that:

- the audit of the poll site and central count scanners required by Article 9 of the New York State Election Law were successfully completed prior to the manual canvass,
  
- the directives of the Supreme Court of the State of New York and the New York State Supreme Court, Appellate Division – Second Department, with respect to specific ballots, have been complied with,
  
- and that the results presented are accurate and correct.

Based on that report, Commissioner Araujo moved that the Board of Canvassers certify the Returns of Canvass regarding the 23<sup>rd</sup> Assembly District for the General Election conducted in Queens County. Commissioner Sullivan seconded the motion, which was adopted unanimously.

The Returns of Canvass prepared and submitted by the Queens Staff of the Board of Elections, were adopted unanimously.

President Pepe-Souvenir moved to authorize the use of the Commissioners' electronic signatures as appropriate on each Return of Canvass. Commissioner Sullivan seconded the motion, which was adopted unanimously.

Commissioner Araujo moved to adjourn the Meeting of the Board of Canvassers, and convene the weekly stated meeting of the Commissioners, in the City of New York. Commissioner Sullivan seconded the motion, which was adopted unanimously.

The meeting of the Board of Canvassers was adjourned.

Following the meeting of the Board of Canvassers, the regular stated meeting of the Commissioners Committee resumed.

Mr. Ryan continued with item #2 of the meeting agenda, the approval of the minutes of the November 15, 2022, December 2, 2022, December 13, 2022 and January 3, 2023 Commissioners Meetings.

Mr. Ryan stated that given the attendance at those meetings of the Commissioners, and the attendance at this meeting, we can only proceed with the November 15, 2022 and January 3, 2023 minutes. The December 2, 2022 and December 13, 2022 minutes will have to be tabled.

Commissioner Umame moved to accept those minutes, as indicated by Mr. Ryan. President Shamoun seconded the motion, which was adopted unanimously.

The minutes of the minutes of the December 2, 2022 and December 13, 2022 Commissioners Meetings were tabled.

Commissioner Coppotelli moved to schedule the next meeting of the Commissioners for Tuesday, January 24, 2023 at 1:30 P.M. Secretary Pepe-Souvenir seconded the motion, which was adopted unanimously.

Commissioner Umame moved to convene an Executive Session to discuss personnel matters. President Shamoun seconded the motion, which was adopted unanimously.

Following Executive Session, the open meeting resumed.

The following actions were taken by the unanimous decision of the Board of Commissioners:

1. Dominique Davis, an Administrative Associate, was granted 120 hours of an advance of sick time. This grant is effective January 3, 2023. Ms. Davis' agency start date is April 6, 2014,
2. Troy Johnson, a Project Coordinator, was granted 210 hours of an advance of sick time. This grant is effective January 5, 2023. Mr. Johnson's agency start date is June 10, 2004.

The meeting was adjourned.

The next stated meeting of the Commissioners is scheduled for Tuesday, January 24, 2023 at 1:30 P.M.