

Wisconsin Elections Commission

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Wisconsin Elections Commission Special Teleconference Meeting 201 W. Washington Avenue, Second Floor Madison, Wisconsin 9:30 a.m. August 27, 2024

Open Session Minutes

Present: Commissioner Ann Jacobs, by teleconference.

Staff present: Robert Kehoe, Anna Langdon, Riley Willman, and Meagan Wolfe, all by teleconference.

Canvass of the official results of the August 13, 2024, Partisan Primary and Special Partisan Primary in Congressional District 8

Commission Chair Jacobs began the canvass at 9:30 a.m. She stated that pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 7.70(3), she was reviewing the official canvass statements for the partisan primary and the special partisan primary in Congressional District 8.

Administrator Meagan Wolfe informed the Chair that the meeting was noticed in accordance with Wisconsin's open meetings laws.

Chair Jacobs stated that she had examined the canvass statement for the State Assembly races. She noted one omission identified by staff for Representative to the Assembly – District 73 in the Town of Summit in Douglas County. She gave the following statement regarding the issue:

I have examined the canvass statements. One omission that was identified by staff are the results for Assembly District 73 in the Town of Summit in Douglas County. The ballots issued to voters in the Town of Summit incorrectly included the office of Assembly District 73. This error was not discovered until the day of the election. The Douglas County Board of Canvassers made the determination that the votes cast in Assembly District 73 from the Town of Summit could not be counted nor canvassed as the Town is not a part of Assembly District 73.

The only competitive primary in Assembly District 73 was in the Republican primary. The total amount of voters from the Town of Summit who participated in the August 13 Partisan Primary was 188 voters. The difference between the two candidates within the Republican Party is 921 votes. Both candidates have been made aware of the error, and the Douglas County Board of Canvassers have provided a signed statement detailing the error and their decision to not include the vote totals from the Town of Summit for the Assembly District 73 contest.

Chair Jacobs asked Administrator Wolfe if any other errors or omissions were identified by staff for the partisan primary for assembly districts for Wisconsin. Administrator Wolfe answered that no other errors or omissions had been identified in the staff review.

Chair Jacobs informed viewers of the meeting that he would then sign the official canvass statements for the State Assembly races.

Chair Jacobs signed the statements in the following order:

- Democratic Party
- Republican Party
- Constitution Party
- Libertarian Party
- Wisconsin Green Party

Chair Jacobs clarified that there were no candidates for the Constitution, Libertarian, and Wisconsin Green parties. She also clarified that the Wisconsin Green Party is a different party than the Green Party.

Chair Jacobs informed viewers of the meeting that she would then sign the official canvass statements for the State Senate races. She asked Administrator Wolfe if any errors or omissions were identified by staff for the partisan primary for State Senate districts for Wisconsin. Administrator Wolfe answered that no errors or omissions had been identified in the staff review.

Chair Jacobs signed the canvass statements for the State Senate races in the following order:

- Democratic Party
- Republican Party
- Constitution Party
- Libertarian Party
- Wisconsin Green Party

Chair Jacobs clarified that there were no candidates for the Constitution, Libertarian, and Wisconsin Green parties.

Chair Jacobs informed viewers of the meeting that she would then sign the official canvass statements for the special primary election in Congressional District 8. She asked Administrator Wolfe if any errors or omissions were identified by staff for the special primary for Congressional District 8 for Wisconsin. Administrator Wolfe answered that no errors or omissions had been identified in the staff review.

Chair Jacobs signed the canvass statements for the special primary election in Congressional District 8 in the following order:

- Democratic Party
- Republican Party
- Constitution Party
- Libertarian Party
- Wisconsin Green Party

Chair Jacobs clarified that there were no candidates for the Constitution, Libertarian, and Wisconsin Green parties.

Chair Jacobs informed viewers of the meeting that she would then sign the official canvass statements for the Representative to Congress races. She asked Administrator Wolfe if any errors or omissions were identified by staff for the partisan primary for Representative to Congress races for Wisconsin. Administrator Wolfe answered that no errors or omissions had been identified in the staff review.

Chair Jacobs signed the canvass statements for the Representative to Congress races in the following order:

- Democratic Party
- Republican Party
- Constitution Party
- Libertarian Party
- Wisconsin Green Party

Chair Jacobs clarified that there were no candidates for the Constitution and Libertarian parties. She noted there was one candidate for the Wisconsin Green party.

Chair Jacobs informed viewers of the meeting that she would then sign the official canvass statements for the U.S. Senator races. She asked Administrator Wolfe if any errors or omissions were identified by staff for the partisan primary for U.S. Senator races for Wisconsin. Administrator Wolfe answered that no errors or omissions had been identified in the staff review.

Chair Jacobs signed the canvass statements for the U.S. Senator races in the following order:

- Democratic Party
- Republican Party
- Constitution Party
- Libertarian Party
- Wisconsin Green Party

Chair Jacobs informed viewers of the meeting that she would then sign the official canvass statements for the two referendum questions. She asked Administrator Wolfe if any errors or omissions were identified by staff for the two referendum questions. Administrator Wolfe answered that no errors or omissions had been identified in the staff review.

Chair Jacobs signed the canvass statements for Question 1 and Question 2.

Chair Jacobs announced that the canvass statements were now signed and would be made public on the WEC website along with the statement concerning the Town of Summit, and concluded the canvass at 9:41 a.m.

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