



**SKAGIT COUNTY
CANVASSING BOARD
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES¹**

If Regarding Election Date/Type: 11/7/2023

General Primary Special

Meeting Date/Time: Tuesday 11/28/2023 1:30pm
Day of week Date Time

Meeting Location: Skagit County Auditor's Office
Skagit County Administration Building, Room 201
700 S. Second Street
Mount Vernon, WA 98273

MINUTES

Start time: 1:30pm **End time:** 1:44pm

1. Members / County Staff Present:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Auditor	<input type="checkbox"/> Designee	<u>Sandra Perkins</u>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Commissioner	<input type="checkbox"/> Designee	<u>Ron Wesen</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> Prosecutor	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Designee	<u>Jason D'Avignon</u>

County Staff: Gabrielle Clay
Emily Humbert

Citizens: Bill Bruch
Ron Campbell

Number of citizens choosing not to identify themselves: 0

¹ Minutes of regular and special meetings must be promptly recorded and open to public inspection. (The statute does not specify any particular kind of "recording.") RCW 42.30.035

Meeting called to order at 1:30 PM by Perkins.

Canvassing board reviews minutes/challenged ballots list from 11/21 canvassing meeting last week, as well as meeting minutes from certification for August 1st 2023 Primary Election. D'Avignon moves to approve both sets of minutes. All in favor; none opposed. Motion passes unanimously.

D'Avignon issues Oath of Authenticity to Perkins, witnessed by D'Avignon and Wesen.

Canvassing board reviews Nov 7, 2023 General Election reconciliation report, as well as recount contest for Sedro-Woolley School District, Director District 2.

Perkins moves to accept reconciliation report for Nov 7, 2023 General Election. D'Avignon seconds. All in favor; none opposed. Motion passes unanimously.

Perkins moves to reject all challenged ballots; D'Avignon seconds. All in favor; none opposed. Motion passes unanimously.

Perkins moves to accept reports and certify election; D'Avignon seconds. All in favor; none opposed. Motion passes unanimously.

Must be under 200 vote difference and under a quarter percent difference for a manual hand recount. Recount threshold passed in Sedro-Woolley School District, Director District 2; manual recount required. Ballot preparation and precincting to start tomorrow, Wednesday 11/29/2023; recount will be held on Monday 12/4/2023 with re-certification scheduled for following Monday, 12/11/2023.

Canvassing board signs authorization/delegation for Elections Department to begin recount process.

Wesen signs delegation for someone else to attend the 12/11/2023 re-certification meeting in his stead.

Public Comment:

Bill Bruch: Confirms candidates having recount in S-W School District. Clay confirms Mullen Doyle leads Jepperson by six votes. Monday is manual hand recount, potentially taking 2 - 2½ days to complete.

No other public comments. No further business.

Perkins adjourns meeting at 1:44 PM.



Skagit County Canvassing Board

We, the undersigned member or designees of the Skagit County Canvassing Board, hereby authorize Skagit County Elections to open the sealed ballot containers from the November 7, 2023 General Election for the purpose of recounting the Sedro-Woolley School District, Director District 2 contest.

We delegate the Auditor's Office election staff to start preparing for the recount today November 28th at the adjournment of this meeting and to conduct the recount starting Monday December 4th at 9:00am.

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Skagit County Auditor/Designee

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ron Wesen", written over a horizontal line.

County Legislative Authority/Designee

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Prosecuting Attorney/Designee



Signed this day, November 28th, 2023.