# February 3, 2015 Special Election Official Canvass Certification Data 

## FINAL RESULTS

Official Election Results for the February 3, 2015 Special Election are attached to the Election Summary Report.

## SUMMARY OF OFFICIAL CANVASS

There were a total of 4,030 ballots tabulated for the February 3, 2015 Special Election. Below is a breakdown of the ballots counted by category and a percentage of the total vote by category.

| Category | Ballots Cast | \% of Total Ballots Counted |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Election Day | 2,921 | $72.48 \%$ |
| Absentee | 1,004 | $24.91 \%$ |
| Provisional | 32 | $0.79 \%$ |
| Post Election Day | 0 | $0.00 \%$ |
| Post Absentee | 73 | $1.81 \%$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{4 , 0 3 0}$ |  |

\% of Total Ballots Cast


## ABSENTEE / VOTE BY MAIL

The Cuyahoga County Board of Elections received a total of 1,310 valid Absentee/Vote by Mail applications. Of those requests, 1,131 ballots were returned ( $86.34 \%$ ). The Ballot Department tabulated 1,077 Absentee/Vote by Mail Ballots of the applications processed. There were 54 ballots challenged in this election resulting in a challenge rate of $4.77 \%^{*}$. Details of the challenges are below.
*The Absentee Ballot Challenge Rate is $0.46 \%$ when the Absentee Ballots postmarked after the deadline are excluded.

| Absentee Challenge Category | Number of Challenged <br> Ballots | \% of Total Challenged Absentee |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Returned Too Late | 49 | $\mathbf{9 0 . 7 4 \%}$ |
| No Date of Birth | $\mathbf{3}$ | $5.56 \%$ |
| No Ballot Returned with ID Envelope | 2 | $\mathbf{3 . 7 0 \%}$ |
| No Signature on ID Envelope | 0 | $0.00 \%$ |
| ID Envelope Not Returned | 0 | $0.00 \%$ |
| Returned Ballot to Polling Location | 0 | $0.00 \%$ |
| Invalid Signature | 0 | $0.00 \%$ |
| Total | 54 |  |


| Total Ballots Counted | February 3, 2015 |
| :--- | :---: |
| Total Absentee Ballots Requested | 4,030 |
| Total Absentee Ballots Returned | 1,310 |
| Total Absentee Ballots Counted | 1,077 |
| Total Absentee Ballots Challenged | 67 |
| Absentee Challenges Corrected | 13 |
| Absentee Challenges Not Corrected | 54 |
| Total Absentee Challenges Correctable by 11-S | 16 |
| Total Absentee Challenges NOT Correctable by 11-S (including late) | 51 |
| Total Absentee Challenges Corrected by 11-S | 13 |
| Remaining Challenges That Could Have Been Corrected by 11-S But | 3 |
| Were Not | 49 |
| Absentee Ballots Returned Late | $26.72 \%$ |
| \% Absentee Ballots Counted of All Ballots Counted | $86.34 \%$ |
| \% Returned of Absentee Ballots Requested | $95.23 \%$ |
| \% Absentee Ballots Counted of Absentee Ballots Returned | $4.77 \%$ |
| \% Remaining Challenges of Absentee Ballots Returned | $0.46 \%$ |
| \% Remaining Challenges (Excluding Late) of Absentee Ballots Returned | $19.40 \%$ |
| \% Corrected Challenges of All Challenges | $18.75 \%$ |
| \% Remaining Challenges That Could Have Been Corrected by 11-S But | $72.22 \%$ |
| Were Not | $4.33 \%$ |
| \% Challenges Corrected (Excluding Late) | $90.74 \%$ |
| \% Late of Absentee Ballots Returned |  |
| \% Late of All Remaining Challenges |  |

## Absentee Challenges



## PROVISIONAL VOTING SUMMARY

A total of 36 Provisional Ballots were cast In-House and on Election Day. Of those ballots, 32 ( $88.89 \%$ ) were valid and tabulated by the Ballot Department. There were 4 invalid Provisional Ballots resulting in an $11.11 \% *$ rejection rate for this election. Details of the rejections are below.

* The Provisional Ballot Rejection Rate is $8.57 \%$ when Provisional Voters who have already cast an Absentee Ballot and those who were not registered to vote are excluded.

| Reason for Rejection | \# Rejected | \% of Total Provisional Rejections |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Not Registered | $\mathbf{1}$ | $25 \%$ |
| No Signature | $\mathbf{1}$ | $25 \%$ |
| Missing Date of Birth | $\mathbf{1}$ | $25 \%$ |
| Empty Envelope | $\mathbf{1}$ | $25 \%$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{4}$ |  |


|  | February 3,2015 |
| :--- | :---: |
| Provisional Ballots - CAST | 36 |
| Provisional Ballots - VALID | 32 |
| Provisional Ballots - REJECTED | 4 |
| Rejected - Absentee Voters | 0 |
| Rejected - Not Including Absentee Voters | 4 |
| Rejected - Not Registered | 1 |
| Rejected - Not Including Not Registered | 3 |
| Rejected - Not Including Not Registered or Absentee Voters | 3 |
| Rejected - Wrong Precinct | 0 |
| \% Valid of All Provisional Ballots Cast | $88.89 \%$ |
| \% Rejected of All Provisional Ballots Cast | $11.11 \%$ |
| \% Rejected Not Including Absentee Voters | $11.11 \%$ |
| \% Rejected Not Including Not Registered or Absentee Voters | $8.57 \%$ |
| \% Wrong Precinct of All Provisional Ballots Cast | $0.00 \%$ |
| Correct Location Remakes | 0 |
| 12-D Forms Correctly Completed and Submitted by Poll Workers | 0 |

## Rejected Provisionals



## BALLOT REMAKES

During the election, 3 ballot pages were processed in accordance with the CCBOE Remake Policy (approved by the Board on May 17, 2013). Of those, 2 were processed during the Unofficial Canvass. The remaining 1 ballot page was processed during the Official Canvass. The following is a breakdown by category:

| Reason for Remake | Number of <br> Remakes | $\%$ of Total <br> Remakes |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| 1- Ballot folded, torn or mutilated. | 0 | $0.00 \%$ |
| 2 - Ballot contains indeterminate marks not made by the voter. | 0 | $0.00 \%$ |
| 3- UOCAVA Ballot that cannot be accurately read by automatic tabulating <br> equipment. | 0 | $0.00 \%$ |
| 4- Ballot contains votes for ineligible contest(s). | 0 | $0.00 \%$ |
| 5 - Inadvertent mark made by the voter, resulting in the scanner detecting <br> an over vote or an indeterminate mark. | 0 | $0.00 \%$ |
| 6 - Voter marked entire ballot contrary to the instruction listed at the <br> beginning of the ballot. | $0.00 \%$ |  |
| 7-Voter marked part of the ballot according to the ballot marking <br> instructions contained on the ballot, and part of the ballot contrary to the <br> instructions. | 0 | $100.00 \%$ |
| 8-Over vote, voter marked the ballot more than the permissible number <br> of times for a particular contest, and there is no indication of contrary <br> intent. | 0 | $0.00 \%$ |
| 9-Voter marked the ballot more than the permissible number of times for <br> a particular contest, however, the voter also made an indication of <br> contrary intent and the voter's choice can be determined. | 0 | $0.00 \%$ |
| 10- Voter filled in the oval next to a candidate for an office and also cast a <br> write-in vote for a different candidate for the same office by filling in the <br> oval of, and the writing in of, the name of a write-in candidate. | 0 | 0 |
| 11- Voter filled in the oval next to a candidate for an office and also cast a <br> write-in vote for the same candidate for the same office by filling in the <br> oval of, and the writing in of, the name of a write-in candidate. | 0 | $0.00 \%$ |
| TOTAL REMAKES | 0 | 0 |


| Stage of Election | Number of <br> Remake <br> Ballots <br> Processed | $\%$ of Total <br> Remake <br> Ballots <br> Processed |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Unofficial | 2 | $66.67 \%$ |
| Official | 1 | $33.33 \%$ |
| Total |  |  |

## OVER VOTES

There were a total of 3 over votes recorded, resulting in a $0.07 \%$ over vote rate for the election.

## VOTER HISTORY /BALLOT RECONCILIATION

Twenty-three (23) precincts were involved in this election. The number of signatures and/or stub numbers in the Poll Books match the number of Election Day Ballots Cast in 23 (100\%) precincts.

Ballot Reconciliation is complete. All precincts for this election reconcile.

## RECOUNTS

There are no automatic recounts this election.

The requested recount deadline is Monday March $2^{\text {nd }}$ at 4:30PM.

## AUDIT

The post-election audit is scheduled to begin Monday, March $9^{\text {th }}$ at 9:30AM. This audit will be conducted using the precinct batch based risk-limiting audit method. The Board will randomly select the contest in which the audit will be conducted. If a requested recount is required, the recount will be performed instead of the audit.

## HISTORICAL DATA FOR SPECIAL ELECTIONS

The following data sets and graphs include comparisons related to election information and voting method distributions (ballot categories).

|  | February 3, 2009 <br> Special Election | February 2, 2010 <br> Special Election | February 8, 2011 <br> Special Election | February 3, 2015 <br> Special Election |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Precincts | 28 | 20 | 25 | 23 |
| Registered Voters | 20,307 | 15,778 | 23,708 | 21,045 |
| Ballots Cast - Counted | 5,843 | 8,000 | 7,114 | 4,030 |
| Election Day | 5,655 | 2,730 | 1,858 | 2,921 |
| Absentee | 159 | 5,124 | 5,055 | 1,004 |
| Provisional | 29 | 143 | 68 | 32 |
| Post Absentee | Included in Absentee | Included in Absentee | 133 | 73 |
| Post Election Day | Included in Election Day | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| Voter Turnout | $28.77 \%$ | $50.70 \%$ | $30.01 \%$ | $19.15 \%$ |

## Overall Voter Turnout



## Ballots Cast by Category - \% of Total Ballots Cast

|  | February 3, 2009 <br> Special Election | February 2, 2010 <br> Special Election | February 8, 2011 <br> Special Election | February 3, 2015 <br> Special Election |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Election Day | $96.78 \%$ | $34.16 \%$ | $26.12 \%$ | $72.48 \%$ |
| Absentee | $2.72 \%$ | $64.05 \%$ | $72.93 \%$ | $26.72 \%$ |
| Provisional | $0.50 \%$ | $1.79 \%$ | $0.96 \%$ | $0.79 \%$ |

## Voter Turnout by Category



Absentee Data

|  | February 3, 2009 Special | February 2, 2010 Special | February 8, 2011 Special | February 3, 2015 Special |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total Ballots Counted | 5,843 | 8,000 | 7,114 | 4,030 |
| Total Absentee Ballots Requested | 169 | 5,584 | 5,950 | 1,310 |
| Total Absentee Ballots Returned | 164 | 5,169 | 5,229 | 1,131 |
| Total Absentee Ballots Counted | 159 | 5,127 | 5,188 | 1,077 |
| Total Absentee Ballots Challenged | 6 | 43 | 92 | 67 |
| Absentee Challenges Corrected | 1 | 1 | 51 | 13 |
| Absentee Challenges Not Corrected | 5 | 42 | 41 | 54 |
| Total Absentee Challenges Correctable by 11-S |  |  |  | 16 |
| Total Absentee Challenges NOT Correctable by 11-S (Including Late) |  |  |  | 51 |
| Total Absentee Challenges Corrected by 11-S |  |  |  | 13 |
| Remaining Challenges That Could Have Been Corrected by 11-S But Were Not |  |  |  | 3 |
| Absentee Ballots Returned Late | 5 | 27 | 41 | 49 |
| \% Absentee Ballots Counted of All Ballots Counted | 2.72\% | 64.09\% | 72.93\% | 26.72\% |
| \% Returned of Absentee Ballots Requested | 97.04\% | 92.57\% | 87.88\% | 86.34\% |
| \% Absentee Ballots Counted of Absentee Ballots Returned | 96.95\% | 99.19\% | 99.22\% | 95.23\% |
| \% Remaining Challenges of Absentee Ballots Returned | 3.05\% | 0.81\% | 0.78\% | 4.77\% |
| \% Remaining Challenges (Excluding Late) of Absentee Ballots Returned | 0.00\% | 0.29\% | 0.00\% | 0.46\% |
| \% Corrected Challenges of All Challenges | 16.67\% | 2.33\% | 55.43\% | 19.40\% |
| \% Remaining Challenges That Could Have Been Corrected But Were Not |  |  |  | 18.75\% |
| \% Challenges Corrected (Excluding Late) | 100.00\% | 6.25\% | 100.00\% | 72.22\% |
| \% Late of Absentee Ballots Returned | 3.05\% | 0.52\% | 0.78\% | 4.33\% |
| \% Late of All Remaining Challenges | 100.00\% | 64.29\% | 100.00\% | 90.74\% |

## Challenge Rate



## Challenge Rate (Excluding Late)



Provisional Data

|  | $\begin{gathered} \text { February 3, } \\ 2009 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { February 2, } \\ 2010 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { February 8, } \\ 2011 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { February 3, } \\ 2015 \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Provisional Ballots - CAST | 35 | 178 | 77 | 36 |
| Provisional Ballots - VALID | 29 | 143 | 68 | 32 |
| Provisional Ballots - REJECTED | 6 | 35 | 9 | 4 |
| Rejected - Absentee Voters | 0 | 9 | 0 | 0 |
| Rejected - Not Including Absentee Voters | 0 | 26 | 9 | 4 |
| Rejected - Not Registered | 6 | 10 | 3 | 1 |
| Rejected - Not Including Not Registered | 0 | 25 | 6 | 3 |
| Rejected - Not Including Not Registered or Absentee Voters | 0 | 16 | 6 | 3 |
| Rejected - Wrong Precinct | 0 | 5 | 2 | 0 |
| \% Valid of All Provisional Ballots Cast | 82.86\% | 80.34\% | 88.31\% | 88.89\% |
| \% Rejected of All Provisional Ballots Cast | 17.14\% | 19.66\% | 11.69\% | 11.11\% |
| \% Rejected Not Including Absentee Voters | 0.00\% | 14.61\% | 11.69\% | 11.11\% |
| \% Rejected Not Including Not Registered or Absentee Voters | 0.00\% | 8.99\% | 7.79\% | 8.57\% |
| \% Wrong Precinct of All Provisional Ballots Cast | 0.00\% | 2.81\% | 2.60\% | 0.00\% |
| Correct Location Remakes |  |  |  | 0 |
| 12-D Forms Correctly Completed and Submitted by Poll Workers |  |  |  | 0 |

## Rejection Rate



## Rejection Rate (Excluding Not Registered and Absentee Voters)



## Wrong Location Rejection Rate



