

VALENCIA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Special Meeting

Canvass the 2002 Primary Election

June 7, 2002

Vice-Chairman Gary Daves called the Meeting to order at 9:30 A.M.

PRESENT	ABSENT
	Aurelio H. Padilla, Chairman
Gary Daves, Vice-Chairman	
S. T. Frank Pando, Member	
Alicia Aguilar, Member	
	Helen Baca, Member
James Fernandez, County Manager	
	Thomas Garde, County Attorney
Tina Gallegos, County Clerk	
Press and Public	

Gary Daves, Vice-Chairman called the meeting to order at 9:30 AM. Tina Gallegos, County Clerk read the agenda.

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Agenda

Commissioner Pando made a motion to approve the agenda as read. Commissioner Aguilar seconded it. Motion carried. 3-0. Motion by Commissioner Aguilar to convene as Canvass Board. Commissioner Pando seconded it. Motion carried. 3-0.

Tina Gallegos, reported on the 2002 Primary Election that was held on Tuesday, June 4, 2002 and presented to the Commission the official canvass for signatures. Ms. Gallegos thanked the Commission for allowing the Bureau of Election staff to be on 40-hour workweek during this election cycle. Ms. Gallegos said there would have been no way the staff could have completed this election process on 32-hour workweek. Ms. Gallegos reported her four employees for Bureau of Election had accumulated 220 hours of compensation time in order to complete this process. There were new technological advances for this election that was used and went smoothly, there were some glitches but none that were major and to name one advance that was used was the web page on the Internet for people at home results could easily be accessed for the election. It was useful for the office as well. We used new voting machine software called the guardian software, there were some glitches but this was the first time it was used for an election. This will give us time to address those issues before the general election in November. We also used a ballot on demand system for the absentee voters and that process went very well. There were some problems with the absentee board that Bureau of Election Director, Lawrence Kaneshiro had which we will have to address as well. Due to a technical problem with the voting machine the absentee board had to hand tally and this process was somewhat time consuming but did get completed. We as a department, along with the Commission will have to look at a voting machine system that will work better for us. By the 2004 elections we might have to look at obtaining another absentee site. We did use the Commission Room, thanks to the Commission for moving their meeting locations. The general election we will be looking at two sites. Also thanks to District Court for allowing us to use their rooms for election schools and the absentee board had to use two small rooms for counting ballots. We generated voter identification cards for every voter so they would know what precinct to vote. We also had some vehicle maintenance problems in delivering voting machines. Ms. Gallegos thanked the Sheriff for allowing us to borrow one of their vehicles. Ms. Gallegos gave an overall review on the election it was a low voter turnout with 32.7% of the voters voting. Ms. Gallegos reported the canvass has to be in Santa Fe this afternoon. Commissioner Pando thanked the Bureau of Election for a job well done as well as Commissioner Aguilar thanked the election staff as well as the two Commissioners that will not serve in this capacity for the next term. Ms. Gallegos wanted to thank her entire Election staff for a job well done as well as her Bureau Director Lawrence Kaneshiro whose expertise she could not have done without.

Commissioner Pando made a motion to approve the 2002 Primary Election Canvass. Commissioner Aguilar seconded the motion. Motion carried. 3-0

The next Regular Meeting of the Valencia County Board of County Commission will be held on June 10, 2002 at 9:00 AM Executive Session and 10:00 AM Regular Session in the County Commission Room at the Valencia County Courthouse.

## **Adjournment**

Commissioner Pando made a motion to reconvene as Board of Commissioners. Commissioner Aguilar seconded the motion. Motion carried. 3-0 Motion by Commissioner Pando made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Aguilar seconded it. Motion carried. 3-0 Time being 9:50 AM.

**NOTE:** All proposals, documents, items, etc., pertaining to items on the agenda of the, Meeting (presented to the Board of County Commissioners) are attached in consecutive order as stated in these minutes.

### **VALENCIA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**AURELIO H. PADILLA, CHAIRMAN**

**ss/  
GARY DAVES, VICE-CHAIRMAN**

**ss/  
S. T. FRANK PANDO, MEMBER**

**ss/  
ALICIA AGUILAR, MEMBER**

**HELEN BACA, MEMBER**

**ATTEST: ss/**

**TINA GALLEGOS, COUNTY CLERK**

**DATE: July 16, 2002**