

VALENCIA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Special Meeting

Canvass 2003 Statewide Election

September 30, 2003

PRESENT	ABSENT
Gary Daves, Chairman	
Paul Edward Trujillo, Vice-Chairman	
	Aurelio H. Padilla, Member
	Alicia Aguilar, Member
Mary J. Andersen, Member	
James Fernandez, County Manager	
	Thomas Garde, County Attorney
Tina Gallegos, County Clerk	
Press and Public	

Chairman Gary Daves called the Meeting to order at 2:05 PM.

Chairman Daves asked Moises Griego to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Agenda

Chairman Daves said if all agree we would bypass the reading of the agenda. Commissioner Trujillo made a motion for approval of the agenda. Seconded by Commissioner Andersen. Discussion. Commissioner Trujillo voted yes. Commissioner Andersen voted yes. Motion carried. 2-0.

ACTION ITEM:

Valencia County Board of Commissioners *Reconvenes* as Canvass Board
Canvass the 2003 Statewide Election
Canvass the 2003 Valencia County General Obligation Bond/Judicial Complex
Board Reconvenes as Board of Commissioners

Chairman Daves said with no objection this Commission is now the Canvass Board. All agreed.

Ms. Gallegos said Commissioners we are back one more time and thank you for coming back into session to complete this canvass. With all my years in election I've learned every single one teaches you something new and this election is no exception. We have learned with this election that next year we can confirm that our canvass will not take place three days after the election. We have corrected the errors and we are confident in the numbers we are submitting today for our final canvass.

Constitutional Amendment 1 – For 3347	Constitutional Amendment 1 – Against 2376
Constitutional Amendment 2 – For 3334	Constitutional Amendment 2 – Against 2388
GO Bond – For 3539	GO Bond – Against 2100

Ms. Gallegos said if this Commission will recall we were having trouble balancing the total public count of voters but if you will refer to the handout that Mr. Kaneshiro presented to you is as follows. The total public count of 5722 and originally the number was 5704 so this number has been corrected. Ms. Gallegos reviewed with the Commission the handout as presented and the process and procedures that have been generated throughout this canvass. There are procedures that poll workers follow but in one precinct there was a situation that changed the public count for Amendment 1. Ms. Gallegos said that Mr. Kaneshiro worked diligently to find this through the process of examining each signature roster per precinct. Mr. Kaneshiro explained the process of the error that occurred within that precinct and how easily the poll workers could not identify that vote in question and did make a decision to rectify on behalf of the voter. There is no illegality means that presented itself at this precinct because the poll workers are trained to handle each and every situation that occurs. Mr. Kaneshiro said he does apologize for the error on Friday due to the provisional balloting process. He said he had to create his own spreadsheet in the Excel program for the machine count and the ones that were hand tallied. And this is where the error occurred in adding both of these columns. Mr. Kaneshiro said we were unprepared for the handling of the provisional ballots.

Commissioner Andersen made a motion for approval of the 2003 Special Election canvass as presented by County Clerk, Tina Gallegos. Seconded by Commissioner Trujillo. Discussion. Commissioner Trujillo voted yes. Commissioner Andersen voted yes. Chairman Daves voted yes. Motion carried. 3-0.

Chairman Daves said with no objection we are the Board of Commissioners. All agreed.

Adjournment

Chairman Daves said with no objection this Commission is adjourned. All agreed. Time 2:35 PM.

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

**ss/
GARY DAVES, CHAIRMAN**

**ss/
PAUL EDWARD TRUJILLO, VICE-CHAIRMAN**

**ss/
AURELIO H. PADILLA, MEMBER**

ALICIA AGUILAR, MEMBER

**ss/
MARY J. ANDERSEN, MEMBER**

ATTEST: ss/

TINA GALLEGOS, COUNTY CLERK

DATE: October 21, 2003