

March 11, 2008
Pierce County Special Election
Canvassing Board Report
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Canvassing Board Status Report
Ballot Statistics as of 3/21/2008

VOTER STATISTICS	
Total registered absentee and vote by mail (VBM) voters	71,675
Total registered poll voters	8,008
Total number of active registered voters in all precincts	79,683
Total number of inactive registered voters in all precincts	13,115
Total registered voters in all precincts	92,798

BALLOT STATISTICS	
<u>Absentee and Vote By Mail (VBM) Ballots</u>	
The total number of absentee/VBM ballots issued	71,744
Total number of absentee/VBM ballots returned (includes challenged ballots)*	25,602
Total absentee ballots counted**	25,513
Percentage of absentee/VBM voter turnout	35.69%
*Does not include 2 ACP ballots received	
**includes absentee, VBM, overseas, out of state, service voters, e-ballots, unprocessed polling place ballots, ACP and polling place provisional ballots	
<u>Absentee Return Statistics (See report 1 and 2 for detail)</u>	
Ballots returned by mail	22,590
Ballots returned at Express Booths	2,698
Ballots returned at the polls	151
Ballots returned at the customer service counter	62
Ballots returned at the Auditor's Office	101
<u>Polling Place Ballots</u>	
Total poll site ballots counted	607
Percentage of poll voter turnout	7.58%
<u>Provisional Ballots</u>	
Total number of provisional ballots issued	38
Total number of provisional ballots received from other counties (included above)	1
Total provisional ballots counted (included in absentee ballot count)	26
Number of valid provisional ballots voted by absentee voters	20
Number of valid provisional ballots voted by poll voters	6

VOTER TURNOUT STATISTICS - OVERALL	
Total ballots counted	26,120
Overall Turnout Percentage	32.78%

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CHALLENGED BALLOT STATISTICS		
<u>Unsigned ballot envelopes</u>		
Total Unsigned ballot envelopes received	77	
Signature updates received and processed	43	
Outstanding letters sent to voters with no response		34
<u>Signature Discrepancies**</u>		
Total Signature Discrepancies received	140	
Signature discrepancies resolved and processed	40	
Outstanding letters sent to voters with no response		100
<u>Other challenged ballots</u>		8
Total ballots currently challenged		142
**Includes signatures that do not match, wrong signers, printed signatures, and envelopes signed with Power of Attorney		

REJECTED BALLOT STATISTICS		
Total ballots rejected		26
<u>Absentee ballots rejected</u>		
Total absentee ballots rejected (voter challenge code applied)		6
Cancellation notice received after ballot had been issued	3	
No ballot in envelope	3	
Total absentee ballots rejected (No challenge code applied, credit given)		4
Signature on the ballot	4	
Total absentee ballots rejected (No challenge code applied, No credit given)		4
Secrecy envelope received (no outer envelope and no voter oath)	3	
Wrong Election	1	
<u>Provisional ballots rejected</u>		
Total provisional ballots rejected		12
Provisional ballots sent to other counties	0	
Not registered	2	
Not Eligible for election	10	

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POLLING PLACE RECONCILIATION***

Ballot Accountability Forms

Poll workers are required to complete a ballot accountability form at the end of election night after closing the polls. Election staff is performing a thorough review of all ballot accountability forms. This involves an extensive review of the number of people signing the poll book compared to the number of ballots cast at the polling place; the number of voters receiving credit; and the number of ballots cast on the machines for all polling places.

Political Parties requested a manual count of selected precincts

On election night, representatives of the political parties requested a manual tally of the Clover Park School District No. 400 issue in the following precincts: 28-430, 28-431 and 28-434. Election staff performed this manual tally on March 13, 2008 in accordance with state law. Ballots cast on the polling place tabulators and touch screens were compared to the results contained in the election tabulation system. All results matched exactly. No discrepancies were found.

Touch Screen Audit of Results

In accordance with State Law, Pierce County conducted an audit of results of votes cast on the touch screen voting machines. The law requires that this audit be conducted on four percent of the devices used in the election. Accordingly, one machine was selected by lot. To conduct the audit, an election worker read the results from the voter verifiable paper audit trail and another election worker tallied the results. These results were compared to the results accumulated in the election tabulation system. No discrepancies or anomalies were found. The audit was conducted on the following machine:

<u>Machine Number</u>	<u>Polling Location</u>
35375	Dower Elementary

*** All activities were conducted in the presence of political party observers

MAILING STATISTICS

Undeliverable absentee ballots

Undeliverable ballots mailed	346	
Undeliverable ballots, unable to mail – no forwarding address	1,194	
Total number of undeliverable ballots returned by the Post Office		1,540

Ballots postmarked too late

Received March 13, 2008	168	
Received March 14, 2008	29	
Received March 17, 2008	38	
Received March 18, 2008	34	
Received March 19, 2008	16	
Received March 20, 2008	7	

Total number of ballots postmarked too late **292**