The Union County Board of Elections met on November 30, 2023. Those in attendance were Chairman Dean Cook: Board Member William Steele, and Barbara Luke; Director Brandon Clay; Deputy Director Michelle Forrider; Michael Wolfe; observer and Susie O'Brien SOS Liaison

Chairman Cook called the meeting to order at 9 a.m.

Chairman Cook started the meeting with a moment of silence for our former Board Member Gary Lee. May he rest in peace.

## Recount/Audit

Director Clay and Deputy Director Forrider went over the process for an automatic recount that is described in the Election Officials Manual. The EOM explains that the Board will randomly select precincts whose race is in question to have at least 5% of the total vote in that race. Board Member Steele randomly draws Marysville 15 which had 666 votes of the total 2086 votes.

Board Member Steele motions to recess while the staff hand counts the ballots. Barbara Luke seconds the motion.

• The motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Cook calls meeting back in session at 11:04am.

Director Clay and Deputy Director Forrider presented the results of the recount. Every ballot type matched and balanced from the hand tally and the optical scan of ballots today, to the official canvass conducted on November 20<sup>th</sup>. Board Member Steele motions the accept the recount numbers the staff members presented with Board Member Luke seconding the motion.

• The motion passed unanimously.

Board Member Luke motions to adjourn the meeting at 11:11am with Board Member Steele seconding the motion.

• The motion passed unanimously.

Jours Chairman: Michell

Michelle Forrider, Deputy Director

Dean Cook, Chairman