

CONDUCT OF ELECTION REPORT

[Section 102.141(9), Florida Statutes]

This report is due to the Division of Elections/Bureau of Voting Systems Certification at the same time that the county canvassing board submits its certified official election results for any presidential primary, general, primary, and special elections, whichever is applicable.

1. **County:** Manatee2. **Election Year:** 2016

3. **Election** (check only one). ☐ Presidential Preference Primary Election
☐ Primary Election
☒ General Election
☐ Other election (specify): _____

4. **Election Definition.** Definition created by (Check one): ☒ County Supervisor of Elections' Office (SOE)
☐ Vendor
☐ Consultant
☐ Other (describe): _____

5. **Voting Devices** (fill-in the applicable number):

Absentee (Central) Count Marksense Scanners		
Initial Total AB Scanners	Removed	Replaced or Added
2	0	0

Precinct Count Marksense Scanners				
	Polling Locations	Initial Total Deployed	Removed	Replaced or Added
Early Voting	5	10	0	0
Election Day	70	70	0	1

ADA Voting Devices (e.g., Marking device and/or DRE Touchscreen)				
	Polling Locations	Initial Total Deployed	Removed	Replaced or Added
Early Voting	5	5	0	0
Election Day	70	70	0	1

6. **Ballot-Printing** (check all that apply):

	Early Voting	Election Day	Absentee
Ballot-on-Demand (BOD)	X		X
Ballot Printer Service (provided by SOE's Voting System Vendor)			
Ballot Printer Service (provided by other than SOE's Voting System Vendor)		X	X

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7. Did **equipment or software malfunctions** occur at the precinct level, at a counting location, or within computer and telecommunications networks supporting county location (*Section 102.141 (9)(a)1., F.S.*)?

☐ **NO** Proceed to 8.

☒ **YES** Summarize the number of malfunctions by location on the chart. Then mark on the checklist below the type of malfunctions. Also attach an explanation of the steps that were taken to address the malfunction(s).

		Number of malfunctions		
		Early Voting Site	Election Day Polling Places	Central Location
Equipment	Marksense Scanner		1	
	ADA Marking Device		1	
	ADA DRE Touchscreen			
Software	Marksense Scan			
	ADA Marking Device			
	ADA DRE Touchscreen			
Computer	Election Management			
Telecommunications	Modems and Phone lines		1	

Notes: Election Day refers to the polling locations. American Disability Act (ADA) Media refers to a tabulator's memory cards, memory packs, USB flash memory, zip drive, PEBs, etc.

Checklist for type of malfunctions	
<p>Early Voting and Election Day</p> <p><i>Voting devices</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Voting devices – not connected to electrical power or power source failure</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Voting devices – battery backup failure – battery not charged</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Voting devices – battery backup failure – removed from service</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> ADA device failure – repaired – remained in service</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> ADA device media failure – media replaced</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Marksense scanner failure – repaired – remained in service</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Marksense scanner memory media failure – media replaced</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Marksense scanner failure to reject a blank ballot</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Marksense scanner failure to reject a ballot with an over voted contest</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Marksense scanner failure to accept one or more under voted contests</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Ballot box diverter failure – removed from service</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Ballot box diverter failure – repaired – remained in service</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Used the marksense scanner's ballot box emergency bin</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Cannot complete a planned modem upload or problems with the phone lines</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other. Provide the description: _____</p> <p style="font-size: 1.5em; font-weight: bold;">See Attached</p>	<p>Central Location</p> <p><i>Absentee tabulation</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Marksense scanner failure – repaired – remained in service</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Marksense scanner memory media failure – media replaced</p> <p>Election Management</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Problem or malfunction with uploading results or creating reports.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Other. Provide the description: _____</p>

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8. Were any **election definition errors** discovered after the logic and accuracy test?
(Section 102.141 (9)(a)2., F.S.)?

- ☒ **NO** Proceed to 9.
- ☐ **YES** Summarize the number of errors in the appropriate columns in the table below. Attach an explanation of the steps that were taken to address the errors.

	Election definition errors	Precinct count media errors	Central count media errors
County created definition or media			
Vendor created definition or media <u>with correct</u> county information			
Vendor created definition or media <u>with incorrect</u> information from the county			

9. Did any **ballot printing and ballot supply problems** occur?
(Section 102.141 (9)(a)3., F.S.)?

- ☐ **NO** Proceed to 10.
- ☒ **YES** Summarize the number of errors in the appropriate column in the table below. Mark on the checklist below the type of problems or errors and attach an explanation of the steps that were taken to address the problems.

	Electronic ballot layout errors	Paper ballot layout errors	Paper ballot printer errors	Paper ballot supply problems
County created the ballot		1		
Vendor created <u>with correct</u> county information				
Vendor created <u>with incorrect</u> information from the county				

Checklist for type of ballot or printer problems

Early Voting and Election Day

Polling location (*please identify the location*)

- ☐ Incorrect ballots to the voter – poll worker error
- ☐ Ballot moisture (humidity) cannot scan

Absentee

- ☐ Incorrect ballots to the voter – election staff error
- ☐ Incorrect ballots to the voter – vendor error

Ballot-on-demand (BOD)

- ☐ Printed incorrect ballots – printer error such as duplex
- ☐ Printed incorrect ballots – software error
- ☐ Printer failure
- ☐ Incorrect ballots given to the voter – poll worker error

Other

- ☒ Provide the description: Found typo on local referendum after all ballots were printed and too late to reprint

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10. Did you have any **staffing shortages and procedural violations by employees or precinct workers** during the conduct of the election?

(Section 102.141 (9)(a)4., F.S.)

☒ **NO** Proceed to 11.

☐ **YES** Summarize the number of issues in each of the appropriate columns in the table below. Attach an explanation of who (the supervisor of elections or the canvassing board, as applicable) and what the steps that were taken to address the shortages and/or procedural violations.

	Number of shortages	Number of instances of insufficient training	Number of times when procedures were violated
Poll workers			
Election staff			
Security			
Temporary support			

11. Were there instances when the needs for **staffing and equipment were insufficient** to meet voters' needs?

(Section 102.141 (9)(a)5., F.S.)

☒ **NO** Proceed to 12.

☐ **YES** Fill in the numbers in each of the appropriate columns in the table below. Attach an explanation of the steps that were taken to address the insufficiency.

	Number of planned resources for Election Day	Number of resources available for Election Day	Number of insufficient resources on Election Day to meet the voters' needs
Poll workers			
Election staff			
Voting devices			
Other equipment and supplies			

Note: The number of "planned" items is based on the Election Day estimates, and "available" is the actual items at the start of the Election Day. Note that the number of voting devices available is based on the actual initial total deployment including ADA devices as provided on page 1 for Election Day. Other equipment and supplies, for example, refers to summation of the number of electronic pollbook devices, provisional ballot supplies, ballot boxes, transfer bags, etc.

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12. If the canvassing board conducted a manual recount of overvotes and undervotes, does the canvassing board have suggested revisions for the standards for determining a voter's choice as set forth in law or rule to better determine the voter's choice for any ballot on which a determination could not be made?
(Sections 101.6952(2) and 102.166(4), F.S. and Rules 1S-2.027 and 1S-2.051)

☒ **N/A** Proceed to 13.

☐ **NO** Proceed to 13.

☐ **YES** If yes, provide suggested revisions to the standards below and, as necessary, attach additional pages and a copy of a representative ballot for which a determination could not be made to illustrate the issue.

13. Do you have **any additional information regarding material issues and problems** associated with the conduct of election?

(Section 102.141 (9)(a)6., F.S.)

☐ **NO** Proceed to 14.

☒ **YES** Indicate on the checklist below the type of issue(s) or problem(s). Attach an explanation of the steps that were taken to address the issue(s) or problem(s).

Checklist

Early Voting and Election Day

Polling location

- ☐ Incorrect setup
- ☐ Solicitation area violated
- ☐ Incompatible for ADA accessibility
- ☐ Incompatible for use as a polling location

Voter check-in

- ☐ Electronic poll book / precinct register error
- ☐ Paper poll book / precinct register error
- ☐ Process error

(Checklist continued on next page)

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Voters

- ☒ Fleeing voter
- ☐ Disruptive behavior
- ☐ Disruptive photography

Observers

- ☐ Not approved
- ☐ Disruptive behavior
- ☐ Disruptive photography

Media and/or citizen polling

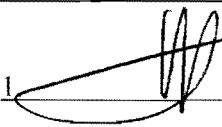

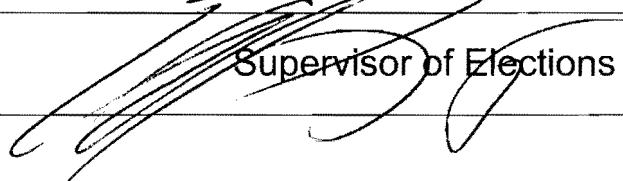
- ☐ Disruptive behavior

Other

- ☐ Provide the description: _____

14. Signatures

County Canvassing Board

Signature	Title	Date
1. 	County Judge	
2. 	County Commissioner	
3. 	Supervisor of Elections	

NOTICE: A statutory duty exists to report the discovery of any new or additional information on any of the items required to be included in this report. The supervisor of elections must notify the Division of Elections no later than the next business day after the discovery. The supervisor must then submit a signed written report amended report no later than no later than 10 days after the discovery. §102.141(9)(b) , F.S.

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Item #7 Explanation:

1) PCT 309 – they were experiencing was a lot of “ballot not read – try another orientation”. There were several voters in line the whole time we were there to help diagnose the problem. First we observed that they were trying each ballot in all four orientations and it was accepting a ballot about one in eight attempts.

We asked the voters to wait a while I opened the Ds200’s back door, opened the cover to the transport, Lifted the transport to inspect for obstructions and paper dust. I blew into the transport while I had it open. After that I closed the transport cover and locked up the Ds200. We then allowed about three more voters to use the Ds200. The “ballot not read – try another orientation” error persisted.

By 9:43AM we decided to replace the Ds200 with a spare we brought. I removed the Poll media, powered down the Ds200 and removed it from the ballot box. We left the Poll Media visible. I installed the new Ds200, powered up the Ds200, inserted the Poll Media, Entered the Election Password and it came back to the Welcome screen to accept more ballots.

By 10:02 AM we had seen enough ballots scanned by the Ds200 to know that replacing the Ds200 was the solution to the “ballot not read – try another orientation”.

2) PCT 527 – The ExpressVote was dropped and was not turning on. A replacement unit was sent to the precinct.

3) PCT 403 – The precinct attempted to upload results. The upload failed on the first attempt. The precinct is close and the polls were already packed up. The clerk was told to close down and bring the supplies in. We directly read the DS200 media into ERM.

Item #13 Explanation:

On November 5th, 2016 at the Palmetto Library Early Voting location, a voter fed a ballot into the tabulator. The tabulator returned the ballot with “indeterminate marks.” The voter had already left before the poll worker noticed the ballot. The ballot was placed into an Unscanned envelope and returned to the office. The ballot was duplicated by the canvassing board and fed through the tabulator that had been used at the Palmetto Library Early Voting location.