

Philadelphia Primary 2020 - Election Day Incident Report

Polling stations

- 1. Insufficient Republican provisional ballots available at polls
- 2. Instance of Judge of Elections asking voters if they need assistance with the machine and would enter the booth with them to help them vote.
- 3. The consolidation of polling stations caused voters to visit an incorrect location on election day.
- 4. Instance of Republican voter who was supposed to vote via provisional ballot being told to vote in the machine and upon entering the Democrat ballot was pushed by an inside poll worker. The voter insisted they spoil the ballot and the man refused to switch it and said she couldn't vote. Luckily the woman persisted and finally they spoiled the ballot and allowed her to vote. This incident was reported to commissioner's office and the woman is willing to testify to the incident. Her neighbor and a family member also experienced similar peculiar behavior.
- 5. Insufficient poll workers at the polls to catch fraud.
- 6. Concerned about the short notice of the release of polling location list, especially if this gets changed back to an unconsolidated list in the fall. How will be able to plan when we don't know where the polling locations will be and how many people, we will need to cover the polls.

Mail in Ballot Issues

- 1. City and Philadelphia School District issued 92,000 mail in ballot applications via food box distribution one week from the deadline.
- 2. Ballot returns city commissioner mailboxes were unmanned and allowed for ballot harvesting
- 3. Ballot returns at city commissioner mailboxes were being transported by "commissioner contracted personnel. Who verifies who these persons are? What credentials are they provided to ensure ballot security?
- 4. Ballot return mail boxes were placed at public officials (Philadelphia City Council) offices.
- 5. Instances of voters receiving multiple ballots
- 6. Incomplete mail in ballots were not collected at the polling location when a voter would utilize a provisional ballot
- 7. Governor through executive action allowed postmarked voted ballots to be accepted one day after the deadline.
- 8. Currently mail in ballot applications are not accessible to anyone online.
- 9. Multiple weeks would go by before a person who applied for a mail in ballot would receive it

Further outline of concerns were sent in a formal letter to PAGOP Chairman Lawrence Tabas from Matt Wolfe a Republican Ward Leader in Philadelphia. Please see attached: