

# 2023 APWU National Postal Press Association Special Election for President Election Committee Final Report

On Tuesday, July 25, 2023 a "Special Referendum Election Notice" was mailed to all editors via first-class mail.

Editors wishing to submit their name as a candidate for president were instructed to do so by submitting their name to the election chairperson and the PPA secretary-treasurer commencing Monday, August 7 and received no later than 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, August 23.

Secretary-Treasurer Jenny Gust and Election Committee Chairperson Elizabeth White exchanged the lists of candidates and verified their eligibility.

On August 25, 2023 certified letters were sent to the three candidates listing the eligible candidates and the opportunity for each candidate to submit an article not to exceed 500 words in support of his/her candidacy. They were to be received by the election chairperson no later than Friday, September 8. The articles were then printed and sent to each eligible voting PPA member. Candidates were also advised of the opportunity to submit campaign literature to the election chairperson in sealed envelopes with the proper postage affixed for mailing to PPA voting members.

On Monday, September 25 one-hundred ninety-one (191) ballots were mailed with instructions as per the constitution to eligible voters. The instructions included a notice that ballots had to be returned to the designated post office box no later than 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, October 17.

At 11:00 a.m. on October 17 PPA members Elizabeth White, John Durben and John Miceli picked up the postage paid return envelopes from the post office box and transported them to the Madison Area Local Union Office at 713 Mayer Avenue, Madison WI. The postage paid envelopes which included the voting members' name and address were verified against a list of ballots sent to voting members. The ballot envelope was then removed from each return envelope with the ballot envelopes commingled together in order to maintain the secrecy of each member's vote. The ballot envelopes were then opened and counted.

Of the 191 ballots sent out, there were 107 ballots returned. Of that, 103 ballots were deemed eligible.

The final results of the election are as follows:

Carlos Barrios, *San Antonio Alamo Area Local Dispatch*: 29

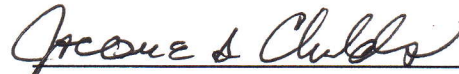
Dena Briscoe, *Nation's Capital Southern Maryland Area Local Dispatch*: 45

John Greathouse, *Michigan Messenger*: 29

We hereby certify the results of the Special Referendum Election for PPA President.



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A special thank you also to outgoing PPA President Tony Carobine for his assistance and experience.

--Beth White