

City of Minnetonka - Electronic Pollbooks

Statistics

- 35,836 registered voters
- 3 school districts (Hopkins, Minnetonka, Wayzata)
- 2009-2011: 4 Wards, 27 Precincts
- 2012: 4 Wards, 23 Precincts

Election Day Registrations (EDRs)

- 2012 State General Election: 4,973 (34,382 people voted)
- 2011 City General Election: 133 (4,627 people voted)
- 2010 State General Election: 2,340 (25,447 people voted)
- 2009 City General Election: 97 (4,418 people voted)

Minnetonka's Electronic Pollbook History

2009

Used pre-registered rosters and EDR modules in two precincts

Ward 1 Precinct B – 243 total voters, 6 EDRs

Ward 1 Precinct C – 81 total voters, 2 EDRs

2010

Used EDR module in 18 precincts

2012

Used EDR module in 18 precincts

Electronic Pollbook EDR Process

Voters with current driver's license

- Election judge scans license
- Voter registration information (voter's name, residential address, date of birth, driver's license number) is pulled from driver's license and those fields on the voter registration application are electronically populated
- Pollbook electronically confirms voter's address is in the precinct
- If address is in the precinct, the district information (ward, precinct, school district) information is electronically populated
- If address is not in the precinct, election judge can print map showing where the correct polling place is located
- Voter registration application is printed off; voter confirms information is correct and signs the oath at the bottom of the form

Voters with non-current driver's license and utility bill

- Election judge scans license
- Voter information (voter's name, residential address, date of birth, driver's license number) is pulled from driver's license and those fields on the voter registration application are electronically populated
- Voter indicates what information on driver's license is non-current (name/address)

- Election judge can electronically move that information to the "previous name/previous address" portion of voter registration application
- Utility bill is checked and information manually entered
- Pollbook electronically confirms voter's address is in the precinct
- If address is in the precinct, the district information (ward, precinct, school district) information is electronically populated
- If address is not in the precinct, election judge can print map showing where the correct polling place is located
- Voter registration application is printed off; voter confirms information is correct and signs the oath at the bottom of the form

Benefits of Electronic EDR

- Verification that all requirements are met (age, residence in precinct, proof of residence) and form completed
- If voucher is used verifies voucher is registered voter in precinct and tracks number of voters one voucher has vouched for
- Automates (and expedites) filling out VRA
- Allows printing of a map to give to voter who has shown up in wrong polling location
- Provides greater clarity for election judges in precincts that fall into multiple school districts ensuring voter gets correct ballot
- 2014- Electronic data available to upload into statewide voter registration system
- More accurate voter records- less data entry required, no guessing at bad handwriting; quicker processing after elections

Benefits of Electronic Pre-Registered Rosters

- Eliminating hand marking AB on rosters by uploading updated data prior to election day
- Traffic management - eliminates need to break rosters up by alphabet and allows next voter in line to go to any of the election judges using a pollbook
- Prevents voters from seeing any voter information other than their own
- Greatly reduces chance voter will sign on the wrong signature line in roster
- Greeter's list/precinct finder can be loaded on hand held device
- Robust search function to find voter in pollbook (search similar names, search by address, etc.)
- Provides greater clarity for election judges in precincts that fall into multiple school districts ensuring voter gets correct ballot
- Election judge staffing – tracks number of voters throughout day
- Eliminates counting signatures on roster or voter receipts- more accurate reconciliation process
- Voter history data can be electronically updated