

# Michigan Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission

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**Wednesday, September 22, 2021**

**9:04 AM – 4:52 PM**

**at**

**Michigan State University Union, Lake Huron Room**

**49 Abbot Road**

**East Lansing, MI 48824**

## MINUTES

### **PRESENT:**

Douglas James Clark

Juanita Curry (attending remotely from Detroit, MI)

Anthony Eid (*joined the meeting at 11:18 AM*)

Rhonda Lange (attending remotely from Reed City, MI)

Steven Terry Lett

Cynthia Orton

MC Rothhorn

Rebecca Szetela (*joined the meeting at 9:16 AM*)

Janice Vallette

Erin Wagner (attending remotely from Charlotte, MI)  
(*joined the meeting at 1:30 PM*)

Richard Weiss

Dustin Joseph Witjes

### **ABSENT:**

Brittni Kellom

### **OTHERS PRESENT:**

Suann Hammersmith, Executive Director

Julianne V. Pastula, General Counsel

Edward Woods III, Communications and Outreach Director

Michigan Department of State ("MDOS") staff

## **CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME**

Commissioner Rothhorn, Vice-Chair, called the meeting of the Michigan Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission (MICRC) to order at 9:04 AM.

## **ROLL CALL**

MDOS staff called roll. A quorum was met.

*Commissioner Eid joined the meeting at 11:18 AM*

*Commissioner Szetela joined the meeting at 9:16 AM and at 1:20 PM*

*Commissioner Wagner joined the meeting at 1:30 PM*

*Commissioner Lange left the meeting at 3:06 PM and rejoined at 3:15 PM*

## **ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

**MOTION:** Commissioner Rothhorn, Vice-Chair, called for a motion to approve the agenda as amended. **Motion by Commissioner Witjes. Supported by Commissioner Lett. Commissioner Rothhorn, Vice-Chair, held a vote by show of hands. MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.**

## **PUBLIC COMMENT PERTAINING TO AGENDA TOPICS**

Commissioner Rothhorn, Vice-Chair, put the motion "to begin the public comment pertaining to agenda topics portion of the agenda" which was adopted. One individual provided in-person public comment: Dan Whalim. 10 individuals provided remote public comment: Brian Burch, Keith den Hollander, Carly Nelson, Zoey Rector-Brooks, Tommara Grice, Will Stuart, Cathy Brockington, Michael Siegrist, Justin Roebuck, Jordan Jorritsma, Anthony Scannell, James Gallant, Callie Bruley, Chris, and Hunter Ihrman.

A full inventory of live and written public comment is available at [www.michigan.gov/micrc](http://www.michigan.gov/micrc).

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- a. Mapping State House Districts. The Commission continued drafting State House districts.

## **RECESS**

At 10:45 PM, Commissioner Rothhorn, Vice-Chair, put the motion “to recess for 15 minutes until 11:00 AM” which was adopted.

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Commissioner Szetela, Chair, called the meeting of the Michigan Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission back to order at 11:01 AM.

## **ROLL CALL**

MDOS staff called roll. A quorum was met.

### **PRESENT:**

Douglas James Clark  
Juanita Curry (attending remotely from Detroit, MI)  
Rhonda Lange (attending remotely from Reed City, MI)  
Steven Terry Lett  
Cynthia Orton  
MC Rothhorn  
Rebecca Szetela  
Janice Vallette  
Richard Weiss  
Dustin Joseph Witjes

### **ABSENT:**

Anthony Eid  
Brittni Kellom  
Erin Wagner

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS (CONTINUED)**

- a. Mapping State House Districts. The Commission scheduled a future meeting then continued drafting State House districts.

**MAIN MOTION:** Schedule the Meeting on September 24<sup>th</sup> from 10 AM to 3 PM. **Motion by Commissioner Lett. Supported by Commissioner Clark. Commissioner Szetela, Chair, held a vote by show of hands. MOTION APPROVED.**

**Voting No:** Commissioner Witjes

**MOTION TO AMEND:** Amend the Original Motion to “Schedule the Meeting on September 24<sup>th</sup> from 10 AM to 3 PM”. **Motion by Commissioner Orton. Supported by Commissioner Szetela.**

**Commissioner Szetela, Chair, held a vote by show of hands.  
MOTION APPROVED.**

**Voting No:** Commissioner Witjes

**RECESS**

At 12:09 PM, Commissioner Szetela, Chair, put the motion “to recess for 60 minutes until 1:10 PM” which was adopted.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Commissioner Rothhorn, Vice-Chair, called the meeting of the Michigan Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission back to order at 1:11 PM.

**ROLL CALL**

MDOS staff called roll. A quorum was met.

**PRESENT:**

Douglas James Clark  
Juanita Curry (attending remotely from Detroit, MI)  
Anthony Eid  
Rhonda Lange (attending remotely from Reed City, MI)  
Steven Terry Lett  
Cynthia Orton  
MC Rothhorn  
Rebecca Szetela (*joined the meeting at 1:20 PM*)  
Erin Wagner (attending remotely from Charlotte, MI)  
(*joined the meeting at 1:30 PM*)  
Janice Vallette  
Richard Weiss  
Dustin Joseph Witjes

**ABSENT:**

Brittini Kellom

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS (CONTINUED)**

- a. Mapping State House Districts. The Commission continued drafting State House districts.

## **RECESS**

At 2:52 PM, Commissioner Szetela, Chair, put the motion “to recess for thirteen minutes until 3:05 PM” which was adopted.

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Commissioner Szetela, Chair, called the meeting of the Michigan Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission back to order at 3:06 PM.

## **ROLL CALL**

MDOS staff called roll. A quorum was met.

## **PRESENT:**

Douglas James Clark  
Juanita Curry (attending remotely from Detroit, MI)  
Anthony Eid  
Rhonda Lange (attending remotely from Reed City, MI)  
*(rejoined the meeting at 3:15 PM)*  
Steven Terry Lett  
Cynthia Orton  
MC Rothhorn  
Rebecca Szetela  
Janice Vallette  
Erin Wagner (attending remotely from Charlotte, MI)  
Richard Weiss  
Dustin Joseph Witjes

## **ABSENT:**

Brittini Kellom

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS (CONTINUED)**

- a. Mapping State House Districts. The Commission continued drafting State House districts.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

There was no new business.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES – NONE TO APPROVE**

There were no minutes to review and approve.

## **STAFF REPORTS**

- a. Communication and Outreach Director. Communication and Outreach Director Edward Woods III provided a report.

## **MDOS UPDATES**

There was no update.

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

There was no discussion on correspondence. All correspondence received is included in the public comment provided to the Commission.

## **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

There were no future agenda items to discuss.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Commissioner Clark made an announcement.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Commissioner Szetela, Chair, called for a motion to adjourn.

**MOTION: Adjourn the Meeting. Motion by Commissioner Witjes. Supported by Commissioner Lett. Commissioner Szetela, Chair, held a vote by show of hands. MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED**

The meeting was adjourned at 4:52 PM.