

Michigan Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission

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Friday, September 24, 2021

10:03 AM – 3:03 PM

at

Central Michigan University

Plachta Auditorium, Warriner Hall

1200 S. Franklin Street

Mount Pleasant, MI 48858

MINUTES

PRESENT: Douglas James Clark
Juanita Curry (attending remotely from Detroit, MI)
Anthony Eid
Steven Terry Lett
Cynthia Orton
MC Rothhorn
Rebecca Szetela (attending remotely from Wayne County, MI)
Janice Vallette
Erin Wagner (attending remotely from Charlotte, MI)
Richard Weiss
Dustin Joseph Witjes

ABSENT: Rhonda Lange
Brittini 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
Election Data Services (“EDS”) staff

CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME

Commissioner Szetela, Chair, called the meeting of the Michigan Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission (MICRC) to order at 10:03 AM

ROLL CALL

MDOS staff called roll. A quorum was met.

Commissioner Eid joined the meeting at 1:18 PM

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

MAIN MOTION: Commissioner Szetela, Chair, called for a motion to approve the agenda. **Motion by Commissioner Witjes. Supported by Commissioner Rothhorn. Commissioner Szetela, Chair, held a vote by show of hands. MOTION APPROVED.**

Voting No: Commissioner Witjes

MOTION: Shorten the Lunch Break to Fifteen Minutes. **Motion by Commissioner Witjes. Supported by Commissioner Clark. Commissioner Szetela, Chair, held a vote by show of hands. MOTION FAILED.**

Voting Yes: Commissioners Orton, Vallette, Clark, Witjes, Weiss

Voting No: Commissioners Szetela, Curry, Wagner, Rothhorn, Lett, Eid

A full inventory of live and written public comment is available at www.michigan.gov/micrc.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERTAINING TO AGENDA TOPICS

Commissioner Szetela, Vice-Chair, put the motion "to begin the public comment pertaining to agenda topics portion of the agenda" which was adopted. Two individuals provided in-person public comment: Sarah Howard and Jerry Hilliard. 8 individuals provided remote public comment: Anthony Scannell, James Gallant, John Zang, Mark Mudry, Cindy Gamboa, Dirk Bloemendaal, Oscar E Castaneda, and James Fisher.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a. Continue Unfinished Business from the Previous Meeting – Drafting State House Districts, including Reconciliation of Previously Drafted Maps, and Consideration of Alternative Maps. The Commission continued mapping State House Districts, primarily in the Metro Detroit Region.

RECESS

At 12:09 PM, Commissioner Rothhorn, Vice-Chair, put the motion “to recess for 51 minutes until 1:00 PM” which was adopted.

CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner Szetela, Chair, called the meeting of the Michigan Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission back to order at 1:02 PM.

ROLL CALL

MDOS staff called roll. A quorum was met.

PRESENT:

Douglas James Clark
Juanita Curry (attending remotely from Detroit, MI)
Anthony Eid (*joined the meeting at 1:18 PM*)
Steven Terry Lett
Cynthia Orton
MC Rothhorn
Rebecca Szetela (attending remotely from Wayne County, MI)
Janice Vallette
Richard Weiss
Dustin Joseph Witjes

ABSENT:

Erin Wagner
Rhonda Lange
Brittni Kellom

UNFINISHED BUSINESS (CONTINUED)

- a. Continue Unfinished Business from the Previous Meeting – Drafting State House Districts, including Reconciliation of Previously Drafted Maps, and

Consideration of Alternative Maps. The Commission continued mapping State House Districts.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

There were no minutes to review and approve

STAFF REPORTS

- a. Executive Director. Executive Director Hammersmith provided a report.
- b. Communication and Outreach Director. Communication and Outreach Director Woods III provided a report.

MDOS UPDATES

There were no updates.

CORRESPONDENCE

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

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

There are no future agenda items.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no announcements.

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 3:03 PM.