

Michigan Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission

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Friday, November 5, 2021

9:02 AM – 11:54 AM

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)
(joined the meeting at 9:17 AM)

Anthony Eid *(joined the meeting at 9:08 AM)*

Brittni Kellom (attending remotely from Lansing, MI)
(joined the meeting at 9:19 AM)

Rhonda Lange (attending remotely from Reed City, MI)

Steven Terry Lett

Cynthia Orton

MC Rothhorn

Rebecca Szetela *(joined the meeting at 10:35 AM)*

Janice Vallette

Erin Wagner (attending remotely from Charlotte, MI)

Richard Weiss

Dustin Joseph Witjes

ABSENT:

N/A

OTHERS PRESENT: Suann Hammersmith, Executive Director

Julianne V. Pastula, General Counsel
Edward Woods III, Communications and Outreach Director
Michigan Department of State (“MDOS”) staff
Bruce Adelson, Federal Compliance Consulting
Election Data Services (“EDS”) staff

CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME

Commissioner Rothhorn, Vice-Chair, called the meeting of the Michigan Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission (MICRC) to order at 9:02 AM.

ROLL CALL

MDOS staff called roll. A quorum was met.

Commissioner Eid joined the meeting at 9:08 AM.

Commissioner Curry joined the meeting at 9:17 AM.

Commissioner Kellom joined the meeting at 9:19 AM.

Commissioner Szetela joined the meeting at 10:35 AM.


ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

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

MOTION: Amend the Agenda to Add Item 6.a., under New Business, “Approve Version 11.4 of the Mapping Process” and Add Item 6.b. under New Business, “Revisit the Process of Individual Commission Members Submitting Maps”. **Motion by Commissioner Clark. Supported by Commissioner Lange. 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. 13 individuals provided in-person public comment: Ted Seeger, Susan Anderson, Cheryl Hayes, James Renner, John Scheider, Kristal Boyd, Sarah Howard, Nikki Rawetzki, Micheal Davis Jr. Valentin Dumitrescu, Cathy Leikim, Bill Schuette, and Rob Zimmerman. 126 individuals provided remote public comment: James

Gallant, Loida Tapia, Anthony S , Carole Chi, Luke Rygh, Doug Floto, morao718@gmail.com, Doreen Gardner, Mary Murphy, Andrew Lorenz, Rebecca Grayson, Jared Boot, Sharron Teamer, Theresa Reid, Michael Fields, Peter Zirnhelt, Rod Thomson, Lucas Camacho, Sue Hadden, Briana Mignacca, La Cracha Handy, Bridget Cooper, Peggy Van Sickle, Tammy Broz, Nina Abrams, Denise, Tamara Mitchell, Jerry Walden, Jane Scott, Linda Pell, Coleen Tuokkola, Soh Suzuki, Corinne, Holly Hughes, Cilla Tomas, Matthew Parmenter, Emma Zeilenga, Eric Leutheuser, Colleen Kelley, Barbara Spiece, Laura Branz, Jennifer Austin, Angela Osborne, Debi Haas, Tarun Aggarwal, Bill Kipf, Korey Morris, Thomas Hamlin, Kareem Scales-NAACPGR, Cle Jackson, Martin Gage, Margaret Schankler, Liz Ratzloff, Cindy Weir, Adam Benjamin, Susan Anderson, Sharon Baumann, Carolyn Shettler, Amara Vear, Declan Akins, Ivan Diaz, Erica Peresman, Viviana, Geaunei Hemphill, Kim Gates, Hayg Oshagan, John A, Daniel Comfort, Carol Ruzsa, Dina Shargabian, Judy Herrick, Andrew Chicotel, Sonja Patrick, Mari Rymar, Max Lewis, Micah Perkins, Anastasey Manolatos, Jill-, Kyle Stefanski, Alex Bourget, Christopher Graunstadt, Tyler Wagenmaker, Tina Catron, Joan Weaver, Alexis Newland, Sarah Woolsey, Jacob Inosencio, Karen Santelli, Catherine Daligga, Elizabeth Benyi, Alan Scott Ells, Daniel Mahoney, Bridget Bly, Tierney Ohly, Julie Carey, Mary Diegel, Marcie Paul, Yvette McElroy, Douglas Helzerman, Kathleen Curell, Art Reyes, Mona DeQuis, Connie Cook, Lisa DiRado, Anne Van Hulle, Rita Turner-Sheerin, Judy Maiga, Khalilah Spencer, Amer Zahr, Rosa Holliday, Sarah Abbott, Amanda Oster, Richard Williamson, Robert Dindoffer, Meghan R, Yousif Yousif, Jake S, Darryl Conliffe, Joanne Ladio, Mark Payne, Angie Miller, Jim Burns, Theresa G, Eileen, Pamela Pugh.

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

RECESS

At 11:07 AM, Commissioner Szetela, Chair, put the motion “to recess for 13 minutes until 11:20 AM” which was adopted.

CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner Szetela, Chair, called the meeting of the Michigan Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission back to order at 11:22 AM.

ROLL CALL

MDOS staff called roll. A quorum was met.

PRESENT: Douglas James Clark
Anthony Eid

Juanita Curry (attending remotely from Detroit, MI)
Brittini Kellom
Rhonda Lange (attending remotely from Reed City, MI)
Steven Terry Lett
Cynthia Orton
MC Rothhorn
Rebecca Szetela
Janice Vallette
Erin Wagner (attending remotely from Charlotte, MI)
Richard Weiss
Dustin Joseph Witjes

ABSENT: N/A

NEW BUSINESS

- b. Revisit the Process of Individual Commission Members Submitting Maps.
General Counsel Pastula informed the Commission about an expected memorandum from BakerHostetler regarding individual map submissions.

MOTION: Schedule a Meeting from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM, as amended, on November 8th at MSU Union Hall. **Motion by Commissioner Witjes. Supported by Commissioner Weiss. Commissioner Szetela, Chair, held a vote by show of hands. MOTION APPROVED.**

Voting No: Commissioner Lange

MOTION: Amend the November 8th Meeting Time to 10:00 AM to 4:00. **Motion by Commissioner Vallette. Supported by Commissioner Lett. Commissioner Szetela, Chair, held a vote by show of hands. MOTION APPROVED.**

Voting No: Commissioners Witjes and Lange

MOTION: Amend the Deadline for Individual Map Submission from noon Monday to 4:30 PM. **Motion by Commissioner Eid. Supported by Commissioner Wagner. Commissioner Szetela, Chair, held a vote by show of hands. MOTION FAILED.**

Voting Yes: Commissioners Eid and Wagner

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: Commissioner Szetela, Chair, called for a motion to approve the public hearing minutes from October 22nd. **Motion by Commissioner Witjes. Supported by Commissioner Lett. Commissioner Szetela, Chair, held a vote by show of hands. MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.**

MOTION: Commissioner Szetela, Chair, called for a motion to approve the public hearing minutes from October 25th. **Motion by Commissioner Witjes. Supported by Commissioner Lett. Commissioner Szetela, Chair, held a vote by show of hands. MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.**

STAFF REPORTS

- a. Executive Director. Executive Director Hammersmith provided a report.
- b. General Counsel. General Counsel Pastula provided a report.

MDOS UPDATES

MDOS staff provided an update.

CORRESPONDENCE

There were no items of correspondence. All correspondence received is included in the public comment provided to the Commission.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Commissioner Lett asked a question to General Counsel Pastula.

ADJOURNMENT

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

The meeting was adjourned at 11:54 AM