

# Michigan Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission

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**Thursday, October 27 2022**

**10:00 AM – 11:30 AM**

## MINUTES

**PRESENT:** Douglas James Clark (*remotely from Huntington Beach, California*)  
Juanita Curry (*remotely from Detroit, Michigan*)  
Anthony Eid (*remotely from Oakland County, Michigan*)  
Brittni Kellom (*joined remotely at 11:10am from Wayne County, Michigan*)  
Rhonda Lange (*remotely from Lake County, Michigan*)  
Steven Terry Lett (*remotely from Grand Traverse County, Michigan*)  
Cynthia Orton (*remotely from Battle Creek, Michigan*)  
MC Rothhorn (*remotely from East Lansing, Michigan*)  
Rebecca Szetela (*remotely from Wayne County, Michigan*)  
Janice Vallette (*remotely from Highland Township, Michigan*)  
Richard Weiss (*remotely from Saginaw Township, Michigan*)  
Dustin Joseph Witjes (*remotely from Tuskoga, Illinois*)

**ABSENT:** Erin Wagner (*remotely from Eaton County, Michigan*)

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Edward Woods III, Executive Director  
Michigan Department of State (“MDOS”) staff  
David and Nate Fink of Fink Bressack

## **CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME**

Commissioner Witjes, Chair, called the meeting of the Michigan Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission (MICRC) to order at 10:00 AM.

## ROLL CALL

MDOS staff called roll. A quorum was met.

## ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

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

## PUBLIC COMMENT PERTAINING TO AGENDA TOPICS

Commissioner Clark, Vice-Chair, put the motion "to begin the public comment pertaining to agenda topics portion of the agenda" which was adopted. One individual provided remote public comment: James Gallant.

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

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

a. Court Cases Commissioner Steve Lett, Legal Liaison, and the Commission's legal counsel provided an update on pending legal cases.

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- ii. Banerian

b. FY 23 Budget Update Executive Director Woods provided an update on the FY 23 Budget.

**MOTION:** To empower Director Woods to take all steps necessary, up to and including litigation, to resolve this budget issue with the state legislature. **Motion by Commissioner Szetela. Supported by Commissioner Lett. Commissioner Witjes, Chair, held a vote by show of hands. MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.**

c. Draft Lessons Learned Video Executive Director Woods presented a draft of the Lessons Learned Videos.

**MOTION:** Approve the lessons learned video. **Motion by Commissioner Clark. Supported by Commissioner Szetela. Commissioner Witjes, Chair, held a vote by show of hands. MOTION APPROVED.**

**Voting No:** Commissioner Lange

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **a. September Financial Report**

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

### **a. August 18**

**MOTION:** Approve the August 18 minutes, with a correction. **Motion by Commissioner Lett. Supported by Commissioner Orton. Commissioner Witjes, Chair, held a vote by show of hands. MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.**

### **b. September 29**

**MOTION:** Approve the August 18 minutes, with a correction. **Motion by Commissioner Lett. Supported by Commissioner Witjes. Commissioner Witjes, Chair, held a vote by show of hands. MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.**

## **LIASON REPORTS**

**Legal Liaison Report.** Commissioner Lett, Legal Liaison, presented on the status of current lawsuits.

## **STAFF REPORTS**

**Executive Director.** Executive Director Woods provided a report.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION:** Adjourn the Meeting. **Motion by Commissioner Witjes. Supported by Commissioner Orton. Commissioner Clark, Vice-Chair,**

**held a vote by show of hands. MOTION UNANIMOUSLY  
APPROVED.**

The meeting was adjourned at 11:30 PM.