

Michigan Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission

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Thursday, September 16, 2021

1:04 PM – 3:56 PM

At

Grand Valley State University

Kirkhof Center, Room 2250 – Grand River Room

1 Campus Drive

Allendale, MI 49401

MINUTES

PRESENT: Douglas James Clark (attending remotely from Rochester Hills, MI)
Juanita Curry (attending remotely from Detroit, MI)
Anthony Eid
Brittni Kellom (attending remotely from Wayne County, MI) *(joined the meeting at 3:02)*
Steven Terry Lett
Cynthia Orton *(joined the meeting at 1:30)*
MC Rothhorn
Rebecca Szetela (attending remotely from Wayne County, MI)
Janice Vallette
Richard Weiss
Dustin Joseph Witjes

ABSENT: Rhonda Lange
Erin Wagner

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 1:04 PM.

ROLL CALL

MDOS staff called roll. A quorum was met.

Commissioner Orton joined the meeting at 1:31 PM

Commissioner Kellom joined the meeting at 3:02 PM

Commissioner Vallette left the meeting at 3:08 and returned at 3:10 PM

Commissioner Orton left the meeting at 3:16 PM and returned at 3:20 PM.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

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

PUBLIC COMMENT PERTAINING TO AGENDA TOPICS

Commissioner Szetela, Chair, put the motion "to begin the public comment pertaining to agenda topics portion of the agenda" which was adopted. Six individuals provided in-person public comment: Dorothy Munson, Sarah Woolsey, Scott Urbanowski, Sarah Howard, Aly Mageed, Chris Herweger. Four individuals provided remote public comment: Anthony Scannell, Sarah Lambi, James Gallant, Leila Ho, Ken Whittaker, Katherine Schmidt, Andrea R Smith, and Tara Kopietz.

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a. Complete Unfinished Business from the Previous Meeting – Drafting State Senate and Congressional Districts. The Commission deliberated whether to

review drafted State Senate maps or to begin drafting Congressional Districts. The Commission began drafting Congressional Districts.

NEW BUSINESS

- a. Consideration for Scheduling Additional Time for Mapping. The Commission considered scheduling additional time for mapping.

MOTION: Amend the Calendar to Add Friday Meetings. **Motion by Commissioner Witjes. Supported by Commissioner Lett. Commissioner Rothhorn, Vice-Chair, held a vote by show of hands. MOTION APPROVED.**

Voting No: Commissioner Kellom

MOTION: Amend the Calendar to Add Saturday Meetings. **Motion by Commissioner Witjes. Supported by Commissioner Lett. Commissioner Rothhorn, Vice-Chair, held a vote by show of hands. MOTION FAILED 5-5.**

Voting No: Commissioners Szetela, Kellom, Curry, Eid, Orton

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – NONE TO APPROVE

There were no minutes to review and approve.

STAFF REPORTS

- a. Communications and Outreach Director. Communication and Outreach Director Edward Woods III provided a report.
- b. General Counsel. General Counsel Pastula provided a report.

MDOS UPDATES

There were no updates to provide.

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 Eid 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 Kellom. Supported by Commissioner Lett. Commissioner Szetela, Chair, held a vote by show of hands. MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED**

The meeting was adjourned at 3:56 PM.