

Albany County Redistricting Commission, March 28, 2022

Attendance

ACRC Commissioners	Interns	MMD Commissioners
Joan Ramsey	Nicholas Glass (ACRC)	Dominic Mazza
Warren E. Hamilton	Nassim Ramdani (MMD)	Adrienne Kisse
Larry Volk		Marie Allen Campbell
Patricia Sibia		Larry Mauldin
Thomas Clingan		Keshana Owens-Cody
Sita Subbaram		Constance Graves
Leif Hartmark		Dona Bulluck
Julia Reeb		
Mark McCumber	Guest: Professor Wice Marisa Zanfardino	Guest: Priya Sankalia Ashley Tardiff Priti Mathur Sam Mathur

Discussion Items

Mapping

- Joan discussed the map that she shared with the commission and wanted feedback about what others thought. She also wanted the mappers to convert her map into the Maptitude software.
- There was a discussion as to whether it was appropriate for individual commissioners to publicize maps they created independently. It was decided that the commission wanted to release one map altogether and that individual creations would be considered work products and not public submissions.
- There was discussion about the difference between the individual and shared logins the main takeaway was with the shared login maps you wanted other commissioners to see could stay private as opposed to being made public.

- The MMD specialist should soon have the data she needs by next week making it likely she will have her report finalized in a few weeks' time. Further based upon the map presented by Joan we will need the specialist to include the data for Colonie.
- It was discussed that the mapping process for the ACRC would incorporate the MMD maps into all publicly presented maps.
- Discussion was also directed towards what mapping we could start to accomplish before getting back the report from the voting specialist. It was decided due to the limited population deviation allowed between districts that the ACRC could begin mapping out the outlying districts before getting back the MMD report.
- It was decided outlying districts would begin to be mapped by groups of commission members within the Maptitude software using the redistricting login.

Minutes of February 28, March 6, 7 and 14

- Members asked for more time to review these. No action taken.

Work Plan & Timeline

- The draft milestone schedule was gone over by the commission and the milestones were tentatively agreed upon.
- Successfully set tentative dates for all the major milestones that are required leading to the final map submission in June.
- It was decided we would hold another ACRC meeting on Sunday April 3rd.

Public Hearing

- The next public hearing was discussed, and there was concern about avoiding the school holiday from Easter and there were concerns about being able to fully publicize the hearing in time.
- It was suggested that our next public hearing be on April 14th from 4pm to 7pm. It was also decided that the meeting would be both in

person and online in format. Members of the MMD present were asked their opinion on holding this hearing jointly.

- There was agreement about holding the hearing in the legislative chambers at the County Court House, as the MMD had planned.
- The legal notice was discussed, and it was decided that the Clerk of the Legislature would arrange the legal notice in the county's official newspapers a week before the hearing.
- Leif moved to approve the April 14 joint public hearing; Patricia seconded, and the motion passed unanimously among those present.

Website

- There was a discussion about the future map submission page for the website and how the submissions would work with the software.

Unanimous vote to adjourn at 1 hour 16 minutes.