

Albany County Redistricting Commission [Minutes: August 10, 2022]

Attendance

ACRC Commissioners	Interns	MMD
Joan Ramsey	Nick Glass (ACRC)	Marie Allen Campbell
Warren E. Hamilton	Nassim Ramdani (MMD)	Constance Graves
Larry Volk		Dona Bulluck
Patricia Sibilgia		Dominie Mazza
Thomas Clingan	Guests:	Adrienne Kisse
Sita Subbaram	Jeffrey Wice	Larry Mauldin
Leif Hartmark	Priya Sankalia	
Julia Reeb	Ashley Tardif	Guests:
Mark McCumber	Marissa Zanfardino	Priti Mathur
	Lisa Handley	Sam Mathur

NOTE: THIS MEETING INCLUDED EXTENSIVE DISCUSSION THAT CANNOT BE FULLY CAPTURED IN THIS SUMMARY. INTERESTED PARTIES MAY WANT TO VIEW THE FULL VIDEO RECORDING FOUND at the following link: [https://youtu.be/ORxf7-SL_Y]

Chairman Volk convened the meeting at 7:35 PM and called the roll (see above).

The commission began by reviewing proposed final changes reviewed in the mapping workshop held at 4:45 pm on August 8. One of the commission members present at the last mapping session walked the commission through the changes that were made based upon written and oral comments received at the August 4 public hearing. No changes were made to any Majority Minority District. After this review of the proposed changes to the map, the commission held a discussion about the changes. The commission then voted unanimously to accept the proposed changes to the final map. The commission decided to label the approved map as “8 10 22” and authorized formal submission of the map to AppGeo for posting to our website as soon as possible.

The commission then discussed the final report, how they were going to work on it moving forward, and how that would impact the commission’s usual Monday meeting. A commissioner suggested forgoing the usual meeting as it would not be helpful at this stage of the final report editing process. Another commissioner responded stating that they believed work groups should be established to really move the report along, as well as establishing a new deadline for the report. They further discussed how to address editing issues some commissioners might have due to a lack of familiarity with document sharing platforms.

The commission then reviewed the current final report to review formatting issues. They also continued to discuss what the best strategy was going to be moving forward to edit and finalize the final report. They further discussed what jobs each commissioner was going to cover in the

coming week for the final report. The commission then discussed the best dates to hold work sessions so that the interested commissioners could attend.

A workshop session to edit the final report will be held on Monday August 15 in place of the usual ACRC meeting, with a possible second workshop on Thursday August 18 at 7 pm. **The next full ACRC meeting will be determined following that session, but members should keep Mondays at 4 pm available for such a meeting.**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 pm.

Meeting notes prepared by Nick Glass and reviewed by Tom Clingan