

Albany County Redistricting Commission [Minutes: September 05, 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 Sibilila		Dominic 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/U9Ntu0uXhqo>]

Chairman Volk convened the meeting at 4:12 PM and called the roll (see above). The minutes from August 25th and September 1st were approved.

The commission began by discussing the report of the MMD Subcommittee, with the understanding that some of their added exhibits are not yet complete. The members of the commission voted unanimously in favor of approving the Subcommittee report and including it in the ACRC final report once these MMD exhibits are finished (expected to be in the next day or two.) The commission then discussed completion of the ACRC final report, including changes to exhibits. The group together reviewed the transmittal letter to make final amendments.

The members of the commission present then voted unanimously to approve the final report, with the understanding that the minor changes that were discussed are to be added. The Chair was authorized to transmit the final report to the Clerk of the County Legislature.

The commission along with legal counsel discussed the timetable to issue a “considerations/lessons learned” commentary, and the consensus was that finalizing such advice to future commissions would not be feasible until after the County Legislature has acted on the commission’s proposed redistricting plan. Members of the commission are encouraged to put their thoughts together about a framework for these recommendations, to be further discussed at the next meeting.

The next ACRC meeting will be held on September 19th at 4:00pm.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:44 pm.

Meeting notes prepared by Nick Glass and reviewed by Tom Clingan.