



Minutes of the Redistricting Commissions Teleconference Meeting
January 4, 2012
Redistricting Commission Office, 1063 Capitol Way S, Olympia, WA 98501
Teleconference Meeting

Commission Members Present:

Lura Powell, Chair (phone) Dean Foster (phone) Tom Huff (phone)
Tim Ceis (phone) Slade Gorton (phone)

Commission Members Absent:

None

Commission Staff Present:

Bonnie Bunning Genevieve O'Sullivan Nick Pharris
Heather Boe Rachel Gay Ryan Wilke

Other Attendees:

Rusty Fallis, Assistant Attorney General (phone)
Kelly Singh
Emily Walters (phone)
Adam Bartz (phone)

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 9:02 a.m. with Lura Powell presiding as Chair.

Chair Powell stated that approval of minutes would be deferred to the next meeting.

2. ARCHIVE REQUIREMENTS

Rusty Fallis, Assistant Attorney General, advised the commissioners not to throw anything away. Commissioner Slade Gorton asked if that applied to draft maps from caucus staff. Mr. Fallis responded that draft maps were included and explained that everything belongs to the state of Washington and virtually every document is likely to be a public record but may not necessarily be disclosed. Commissioner Tom Huff requested a document containing which items must be saved. Mr. Fallis said he would send the information to Ms. Bunning and she would forward the document to each Commissioner.

3. EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS REPORT

Executive Director Bonnie Bunning, gave a report on the budget for Fiscal Year 2012 which is July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012. Ms. Bunning noted that the budget for this fiscal year is \$1,627,000 of which \$443,000 is allotted to the legislative staff, and \$1,184,000 is allotted for the Commission staff. Ms. Bunning reported that as of December 15, 2011, the overall Commission budget was underspent by \$182,790, a positive variance that is likely to grow during the second six months of the fiscal year. Ms. Bunning indicated that she will send an

updated budget document to commissioners. Commissioner Dean Foster requested that budget numbers for Fiscal Year 2011 (January 1, 2011 through June 30, 2011) also be included.

Ms. Bunning informed the Commission about Public Disclosure Commission filing requirements this spring covering the 2011 calendar year. She will provide information on the required form and the filing date. Commissioner Foster clarified they would not have to complete a form for January 1, 2012 through June 30, 2012.

Ms. Bunning reported that John Milem provided a list of technical adjustments for part of the 2011 redistricting plan to the Commission, most of which had a deviation of zero, but some did involve population. She reported that she had been in communication with Vicky Dalton, Spokane County Auditor, who was coordinating technical adjustments from all of the state auditors. Ms. Bunning suggested that staff review the technical adjustments and provide recommendations to the Commission. Commissioner Tim Ceis suggested that the commissioners review technical adjustments and consider submitting a package to the Legislature. Commissioner Gorton said Charlie Raines had also suggested a change in the vicinity of Snoqualmie Pass which he would forward to Ms. Bunning. The Commissioners agreed to review the suggested technical adjustments from the auditors and others at a meeting in the following week and provide a package with recommended adjustments to the Legislature.

Ms. Bunning said that she will forward suggestions received from David Anderson to the commissioners.

4. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF REPORT

Ms. Bunning reviewed the final report to the Legislature. Commissioner Ceis suggested on page four changing the word “subcommittees” to “working groups.”

Motion: Commissioner Ceis moved to approve the report as amended.

In favor: Commissioners Ceis, Foster, Gorton, and Huff.

Against: None.

Commissioner Gorton pointed out that the dates in his biography were incorrect.

Motion: Commissioner Ceis moved to authorize staff to make technical, non-editorial corrections.

In favor: Commissioners Ceis, Foster, Gorton, and Huff.

Against: None.

ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Commission the meeting was adjourned at 9:57a.m.