

APPLICANT REVIEW PANEL

PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES

August 28-30, 2019

August 28, 2019

Call to order by Mr. Dawson took place at 9:02 a.m.

Roll call was taken and all members present: Mr. Belnap, Mr. Coe and Ms. Dickison

Mr. Dawson, Panel Counsel, provided opening remarks on behalf of California State Auditor, Elaine Howle, and introduced the panel members.

Each panel member provided a brief public statement.

Mr. Dawson announced the purpose of the meeting to be training and the first order of business to elect a chair and vice-chair. Mr. Belnap and Ms. Dickison discussed election of a chair and vice chair on a rotating basis, alphabetically by last name, on a meeting basis (this three-day meeting would be considered one meeting). Ms. Dickison moved to adopt this rotating chairmanship, and Mr. Belnap seconded the motion. There was no opposition to the motion and it was unanimously approved.

As Chair, Mr. Belnap proposed the adoption of the Informal Robert's Rules of Order for the ARP Board. Mr. Dawson read the proposed informal rules. Mr. Coe seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously. Mr. Belnap discussed ground rules for the meeting including cell phone etiquette, and professional and courteous conduct.

Thereafter, the Panel heard presentations from the following trainers:

Justin Levitt of Loyola Law School presented a seminar on "Redistricting 101". Daniel Quincy (public) asked a series of 4 questions during the training.

A one hour lunch break was taken and the meeting reconvened at 1:00 p.m.

Karin Mac Donald and Jaime Clark of the Statewide Database, UC Berkeley School of Law, presented training on "Census Data and the Process of Map Drawing" in the afternoon. Mr. Coe asked a question following this training. During Public Comment, Sean Duggar from Common Cause introduced himself and stated he would attend all



public meetings of the Panel. Mr. Quincy asked questions and received a response from Mr. Dawson.

The meeting recessed at 4:03 p.m.

August 29, 2019

Call to Order by Mr. Belnap took place at 9:02 a.m.

Roll call was taken and all members present: Mr. Belnap, Mr. Coe and Ms. Dickison

Mr. Belnap proposed revisiting the decision to rotate the chair and vice chair on a meeting basis. He discussed that future meetings could continue over many days, and that it would be better to rotate the chair on a daily basis. He moved to reconsider the original decision, that was seconded by Ms. Dickison, and approved unanimously. Mr. Belnap then made a new motion to adopt a rotating chairmanship on a daily basis.

Mr. Coe, assumed the role of Chair, and asked that all questions to the speakers be held until the end of the discussion.

Thereafter, the Panel heard a presentation from Eric McGhee of the Public Policy Institute of California on “California’s Diverse Demographics and Geography”, followed by a break from 10:00 to 10:55.

Andre Parvenu, a member of the 2010 Citizens Redistricting Commission, then spoke on “Impartiality and Working with Others”. Each Panel member had several questions for Mr. Parvenu regarding his experience as a commissioner. One Public Comment was received from Sean Duggar of Common Cause.

The meeting was recessed at 11:47 a.m.

August 30, 2019

Call to Order by Ms. Dickison took place at 9:03 a.m.

Roll call was taken and all members present: Mr. Belnap, Mr. Coe and Ms. Dickison

Ms. Dickison introduced Vincent Barabba, a member of the 2010 Citizens Redistricting Commission. Mr. Barabba could not attend the meeting in person but was able to participate via a video meeting using the software, whereby.com. He spoke of his experience as a commissioner and about the required analytical ability of the applicant pool. Each panel member asked questions following the presentation.



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A 20 minute break was taken.

At 9:55, Angelo Ancheta, a member of the 2010 Citizens Redistricting Commission, was introduced and gave a presentation on Communities of Interest and Diversity as they relate to map drawing work. Panel members asked questions and opened the floor to Public Comment.

Sean Duggar spoke about Common Cause and the organizations he represents. Mr. Dawson responded to Mr. Duggar's comments.

Ms. Dickison, Mr. Belnap and Mr. Coe provided closing statements and thanked all providers.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:14 a.m.

