



COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO

Independent Redistricting Commission

MEETING MINUTES

COMMISSIONERS

David Bame, Chair
Sonia Diaz, Vice Chair
Colleen Brown
Amy Caterina
Chris Chen
Elidia Dostal
Rosette Garcia
Barbara Hansen
Kenneth Inman
Kristina Kruglyak
Arvid Larson
Fernandez Ponds
John Russ
Ramesses Surban

Thursday, March 11, 2021 at 2:00 p.m.

I. Called to Order at 2:01 p.m.

II. Roll Call

PRESENT: Commission Members David Bame, Colleen Brown, Amy Caterina, Chris Chen, Sonia Diaz, Elidia Dostal, Carmen-Rosette Garcia, Barbara Hansen, Kenneth Inman, Kristina Kruglyak, Arvid Larson, Fernandez Ponds, John Russ; and Erin Demorest, Assistant Clerk of the Board of Supervisors.

ABSENT: Commission Member Ramesses Surban

(Note for the record: California Governor Gavin Newsom issued Executive Order N-29-20 on March 17, 2020, relating to the convening of public meetings in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Pursuant to the Executive Order, and to maintain the orderly conduct of the meeting, all members of the Independent Redistricting Commission attended the meeting via teleconference and participated in the meeting to the same extent as if they were present.)

III. Non-Agenda Public Communication: Members of the public may address the Independent Redistricting Commission on subject matters within the Commission's jurisdiction, but not an item on this agenda. Each speaker is limited to two minutes.

No speakers

IV. Commission Business

1. Approval of Minutes from the February 25, 2021 Regular Meeting

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Commissioner Russ, seconded by Commissioner Brown, the Commission approved the Minutes from the February 25, 2021 Regular Meeting.

AYES: Bame, Brown, Caterina, Chen, Diaz, Dostal, Garcia, Hansen, Inman, Kruglyak, Larson, Ponds, Russ

ABSENT: Surban

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2. Legislative Update on Senate Bill 594 (Glazer) by Caroline Smith, Director, County Office of Strategy and Intergovernmental Affairs

Caroline Smith, Director, County Office of Strategy and Intergovernmental Affairs, provided an informational presentation on Senate Bill 594 (Glazer), which would amend the California Elections Code related to redistricting to try to address the delay in the receipt of Census data.

3. Discussion and Possible Amendment of Commission Bylaws to Provide for Multiple Co-Vice Chairs

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Commissioner Russ, seconded by Commissioner Brown, the Commission approved the amended Bylaws to allow for multiple simultaneous Co-Vice Chairs, as included in Attachment A of the Staff Report for Item 3.

AYES: Bame, Brown, Caterina, Chen, Diaz, Garcia, Hansen, Inman, Kruglyak, Larson, Russ

NOES: Ponds

ABSTENTIONS: Dostal

ABSENT: Surban

4. Selection of Vice Chair or Multiple Co-Vice Chairs of the Commission

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Commissioner Chen, seconded by Commissioner Russ, the Commission approved Commissioner Amy Caterina and Commissioner Rosette Garcia to serve as simultaneous multiple Co-Vice Chairs of the Independent Redistricting Commission.

AYES: Bame, Brown, Caterina, Chen, Diaz, Dostal, Garcia, Hansen, Inman, Kruglyak, Larson, Ponds, Russ

ABSENT: Surban

5. Discuss Redistricting Budget and Possible Appointment of Ad Hoc Committee to Develop a Redistricting Budget Recommendation

ACTION 5.1:

ON MOTION of Commissioner Chen, seconded by Commissioner Brown, the Commission approved the formation of an Ad Hoc Committee to Develop a Redistricting Budget Recommendation, with the purpose to review the budgetary impact of changes to the contract with legal counsel, to develop recommendations

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for an update to the redistricting budget as a basis for a request to the Board of Supervisors, to consider the creation of a standing committee and return to the Commission for consideration.

AYES: Bame, Brown, Caterina, Chen, Diaz, Dostal, Garcia, Hansen, Inman, Kruglyak, Larson, Ponds, Russ

ABSENT: Surban

ACTION 5.2:

ON MOTION of Commissioner Hansen, seconded by Commissioner Garcia, the Commission appointed Commissioners Caterina, Diaz and Larson to the Ad Hoc Committee to Develop Redistricting Budget Recommendations.

AYES: Bame, Brown, Caterina, Chen, Diaz, Dostal, Garcia, Hansen, Inman, Kruglyak, Larson, Ponds, Russ

ABSENT: Surban

6. Discussion and Possible Adoption of Recommendations from the Ad Hoc Committee on Commissioner Training

ACTION 6.1:

A MOTION was made by Commissioner Kruglyak, seconded by Commissioner Chen, to approve a training continuum, with the Ad Hoc Committee to define categories and topics of that continuum, and the actual materials that fall into those categories and topics to be determined by staff, who would handle maintenance and administration of the training curriculum.

No action taken. This motion was withdrawn.

ACTION 6.2:

ON SUBSTITUTE MOTION of Commissioner Dostal, seconded by Commissioner Ponds, the Commission approved the recommendations of the Ad Hoc Committee on Commissioner Training, as presented, to approve the training continuum, and instructed staff to create the redistricting timeline and training repository/database to warehouse training material, with Commissioners to provide training categories, topics and content to the staff to be included in the repository/database. In addition, the Commission directed the Ad Hoc Committee on Commissioner Training to present the training continuum to the full Commission for approval and implementation on March 25, 2021, with the Ad Hoc Committee to stand down when the training continuum is deemed operational. The Commission removed recommendation #2 for the Ad Hoc Committee to receive and review Commissioners' input and finalize training recommendations ("training continuum").

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AYES: Bame, Brown, Caterina, Chen, Diaz, Dostal, Garcia, Hansen, Inman, Kruglyak, Larson, Ponds, Russ

ABSENT: Surban

7. Ad Hoc Committee Reports

A. Demographic Services Request for Proposals (RFP)

Commissioner Inman provided an informational update on the status of the Demographic Services RFP.

B. Outreach and Engagement Services RFP

Commissioner Caterina provided an informational update on the status of the Outreach and Engagement Services RFP.

C. Redistricting Outreach and Communication

Commissioner Garcia provided an informational update on proposals for redistricting outreach and communication prior to the hiring of an outreach and engagement consultant.

There being no further business, the Commission adjourned at 4:48 p.m.

Pursuant to Article III, Section 6 of the *Bylaws and Operating Procedures of the County of San Diego Independent Redistricting Commission*, staff identified a total of 6 members of the public present during the meeting.

ERIN DEMOREST
Assistant Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
County of San Diego, State of California

NOTE: These Minutes set forth all actions taken by the County of San Diego Independent Redistricting Commission on the matters stated, but not necessarily the chronological sequence in which the matters were taken up.

Supporting documentation and attachments for items listed on this agenda can be viewed online at www.sdcounty.ca.gov/redistricting or in the Office of the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors at the County Administration Center, 1600 Pacific Highway, Room 402, San Diego, CA 92101.

Approved by the Commission: March 25, 2021