

California Citizens Redistricting Commission

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Meeting Minutes - April 25, 2016

10:30AM – 3PM

915 L Street, Oak Room

Meeting Location:

Oak Room

915 L Street, Sacramento, CA 95814

Telephone and/or Video Conferencing Public Assembly Locations:

- (1) City Hall, City of Santa Paula, 970 Ventura Street, Santa Paula, CA 93060
- (2) 1147 W. Rose Street, Stockton, CA 95203
- (3) 308 Cherry Avenue, Capitola, CA 95010
- (4) Neighborhood House Association Corporate Headquarters, 5660 Copley Drive, San Diego, CA 92111
- (5) 401 S. Mission Drive, San Gabriel, CA 91776
- (6) The James Irvine Foundation, 865 S. Figueroa Street, Los Angeles, CA 90017
- (7) The James Irvine Foundation, One Bush Street, Suite 800, San Francisco, CA 94104
- (8) Law Offices of Jodie P. Filkins, 625 The City Drive South, Suite 305, Orange, CA 92868

Call To Order: 10:35AM

Staff Present:

Christina Shupe, Senior Operations Manager

Marian Johnston, Chief Counsel

Commissioner Roll Call:

Present –

Gabino Aguirre

Angelo Ancheta

Vincent Barabba

Maria Blanco

Cynthia Dai

Michelle DiGuilio

Jodie Filkins Weber

Stanley Forbes

Connie Malloy

Lilbert Ontai

Andre Parvenu

Jeanne Raya

Absent:

Gabino Aguirre

Maria Blanco

Lilbert Ontai

Michael Ward

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Note: Commissioners Blanco and Aguirre joined the meeting at 10:51AM

Commission Chair:

1. Met with the Vice Chair to plan for possible outcomes of SCOTUS decisions.
2. There may be a need for the Commission to develop a legal position on some cases.
3. The Commission is short-staffed in the face of the current workload.
4. The Commission should look forward to work with the State Auditor's office for recruiting the 2020 Commissioners.
5. The Commission will be setting a meeting date for July.
6. Legislative Ideas for Discussion
 - a. Ability to accept gifts – solicit donations for outreach prior to the establishment of the new commission.
 - b. Prepare a budget for next Commission cycle
 - c. Replacement of Commissioners – death, party change, moving out of state
 - d. Current process to replace Commissioners is limited and expensive
7. Commissioners are reminded to turn in Per Diem and TEC Expenses

Staff Update:

Commission staff has been overwhelmed by the demands of the FISCAL roll-out. Staff time spent on CFS/FISCAL demands is consuming 50% and more of available staff time. Original demand of 1600 hours of staff training for FISCAL was removed, but underlying requirements remain. According to DOF, additional funding for meeting the FISCAL roll-out requirements is not available. CRC Vendors are waiting up to 9 months for payment. Expense claims have not been processed in a timely manner. Multiple new requirements by DGS and SCO and FISCAL have led to confusion in agency expectations for processing payments, delaying resolution. Due to the changes in reporting, it is unclear how much FISCAL has verified as remaining in the CRC FY 15/16 budget .

Public Comment:

Commission meeting minutes need to be posted on the CRC website.

Discussion:

Commissioners and staff agree this is an oversight that will be corrected by the next meeting. Audio recording of the current meeting is not available. Staff will work to add this functionality to the next meeting.

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Legal Advisory:

Connerly – Remaining cause of action is an equal protection question. The League of Women Voters Common Cause have joined.

DeWitt – Order to show cause has been filed, no ruling yet. Further briefing on the 3 person requirement has been requested by the Judge. Defendant's Motion to Dismiss hearing scheduled for May.

Action:

Pleadings will be posted to the Commission website.

Closed Session – 11:07AM

End Closed Session – 11:59

Report from Closed Session:

Discussed legal and personnel matters – took no action

Technical Advisory:

CRC Report version April 2016, discussion.

1. Editor needed
2. Can be edited for review and vote at July meeting.
3. Commissioners Aguirre and Galambos-Malloy will rewrite paragraph on Page 19, Section 11 to note that there were a number of requests for "additional hearings".

Stan Forbes: Motion – Accept the Report as presented, subject to "Gabino & Connie will rewrite", and hire an editor for format, layout, and photos.

Amendment: Cost up to \$5,000.

2nd Maria Blanco

Motion Passes

Public Information:

Commissioners Outreach and Speaking Engagements

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Galambos-Malloy – Future California Elections

Blanco - “101 Redistricting”

Forbes – LLWV hosted conference on redistricting in Minnesota

Ancheta – Upcoming July Meeting, 2020 Census

Dai – Local Democratic Club in San Ramon Valley asked her to speak, used presentation to talk about the next Commission and how to apply.

New Business:

Follow-up on Commission request for a timeline for 2016-2020. Commission will email timeline to staff for distribution and add to July meeting agenda

Meeting adjourned at 12:37pm