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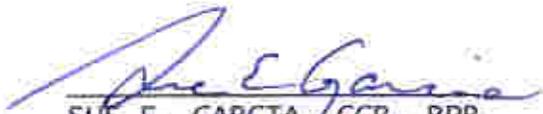
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- LURA POWELL - CHAIRWOMAN (by telephone)
- TOM HUFF - COMMISSIONER
- TIM CEIS - COMMISSIONER (by telephone)
- SLADE GORTON - COMMISSIONER (by telephone)
- DEAN FOSTER - COMMISSIONER
- RUSTY FALLIS - ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL (by telephone)
- GENEVIEVE O'SULLIVAN - OUTREACH COORDINATOR
- BONNIE BUNNING - EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
- HEATHER BOE - EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT

NOTE: (As read) - paraphrased quote
(Indiscernible) = words heard but not understood
(phonetic) = phonetic spelling of name

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1 BE IT REMEMBERED that on Tuesday, November 22, 2011,
2 at 10:33 a.m., at 304 15th Avenue, Olympia, Washington,
3 the following proceedings were had, to wit:

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7 CHAIRWOMAN POWELL: All right. Let's --
8 okay. So let's get started. I would like the
9 Commissioners to introduce themselves. Why don't we
10 start with Senate Democrats and go Republican, House
11 Democrat, House Republican.

12 COMM. CEIS: Tim Ceis, Senate Democrats.

13 COMM. GORTON: Slade Gorton representing
14 Senate Republicans.

15 COMM. HUFF: Tom Huff with the Republican
16 House.

17 COMM. FOSTER: I'm Dean Foster representing
18 the House Democrats.

19 CHAIRWOMAN POWELL: And, Bonnie?

20 MS. BUNNING: Yes. I'm Bonnie Bunning, and
21 I'm executive director for the Redistricting
22 Commission.

23 MS. O'SULLIVAN: I'm --

24 CHAIRWOMAN POWELL: And, Rusty?

25 MS. O'SULLIVAN: I'm Genevieve --

1 CHAIRWOMAN POWELL: Go ahead, Gen.

2 MS. O'SULLIVAN: I'm Genevieve O'Sullivan,
3 and I'm communications director.

4 CHAIRWOMAN POWELL: And is Rusty there
5 or . . . ?

6 COMM. HUFF: No.

7 MR. FALLIS: Yes, I am.

8 CHAIRWOMAN POWELL: Introduce yourself.

9 MR. FALLIS: Rusty Fallis, general counsel to
10 the Commission.

11 CHAIRWOMAN POWELL: Okay. Well, thank you
12 all for coming, and anyone who's on the line or
13 present.

14 Our first order of business is approval of the
15 November 14, 2011, minutes. And I'd like to ask if
16 there's any additions or corrections to the minutes.

17 Hearing none, can I hear a motion for approval?

18 COMM. HUFF: So moved.

19 CHAIRWOMAN POWELL: Okay. There's been a
20 motion for approval. Any further discussion?

21 Okay. All those in favor say "aye."

22 Actually I'll need to you say your name because we
23 are on -- so let me go through.

24 So, Commissioner Ceis, aye or nay?

25 COMM. CEIS: Aye.

1 CHAIRWOMAN POWELL: Commissioner Gorton?

2 COMM. GORTON: Aye.

3 CHAIRWOMAN POWELL: Commissioner Foster?

4 COMM. FOSTER: Aye.

5 CHAIRWOMAN POWELL: Commissioner Huff?

6 COMM. HUFF: Aye.

7 CHAIRWOMAN POWELL: Okay. Great. So we have
8 approval the minutes.

9 Our -- our next item of business is Matters --
10 Matters Pertaining to Redistricting and getting an
11 update on progress. So we started with the Senate team
12 the last time, so how about the House team starts --

13 COMM. HUFF: Go ahead, Foster.

14 CHAIRWOMAN POWELL: -- and report on how
15 you're doing.

16 COMM. FOSTER: This is Dean Foster.

17 Tom Huff and I have met, I believe, four times
18 since our last meeting. We've had a number of
19 telephone conversations. Our conversations are always
20 productive, and we're moving toward understanding each
21 other's ideas better. We've had some additional
22 computer problems that I reported on last week, and I
23 believe that those have been resolved.

24 And so just for those people who are listening, we
25 need to be talking apples and apples and so we do that

1 in population and all kinds of other things. So that's
2 what it was about. It wasn't anything to be paranoid
3 about. It was just -- there's a lot of data, and we
4 got these programs from an out-of-state vendor, and
5 those sometimes have to be checked on and cleared.

6 So that's where we are. We will continue to meet
7 and hopefully be able to come up with some maps here
8 pretty soon.

9 COMM. HUFF: From my aspect we worked the
10 weekend and -- to get closer to some kind of completion
11 and hopefully soon. Some of the goals that we
12 established prior have -- are bygone, but there are
13 reasons for that.

14 And at this point I know Dean and I are meeting
15 today to see if we can hammer out a few more things.
16 And the computer problem has been, needless to say, a
17 problem; there's not much you can do about it till you
18 get all fixed. We hope to complete the section that
19 we're in now soon, and then move on into the next
20 regional area. But I -- I think overall the progress
21 is going well, and it's an interesting process.

22 CHAIRWOMAN POWELL: Okay. Thank you.

23 How about the Senate team?

24 COMM. GORTON: Well, we took as our first
25 section the area between the Sound and the mountains

1 north of King County, and we have moved into King
2 County. I think we've had about the same number of
3 meetings. We must have met at least four times since
4 the Commission last met. And I think it's safe for
5 both of us to say we've made substantial progress, and
6 we're not there yet. We'll be talking again informally
7 as soon as this meeting is over because we're together
8 right now in Seattle.

9 COMM. CEIS: I concur with Commissioner
10 Gorton's assessment. We're making some progress, and
11 hopefully we'll be making enough progress that perhaps
12 next week we'll -- we'll present a little bit more
13 detail on some proposals.

14 CHAIRWOMAN POWELL: Okay. Well, that sounds
15 like good progress on both fronts.

16 Are -- is there any need to assign more districts
17 at this time, or do you all have enough on your plates?

18 COMM. HUFF: I think we discussed that the
19 last time.

20 COMM. GORTON: We're fine right now.

21 CHAIRWOMAN POWELL: Pardon me?

22 COMM. FOSTER: Yeah.

23 CHAIRWOMAN POWELL: Sorry. I couldn't hear
24 that.

25 COMM. HUFF: We discussed last time that we

1 would --

2 COMM. GORTON: (Indiscernible).

3 COMM. HUFF: -- that Ceis and Gorton would
4 continue with 5, 11, 41, 45, 47, and 48, and we were
5 going to be working on -- Dean and I would be working
6 on 2, 25, 27, 28, 29, and 31.

7 CHAIRWOMAN POWELL: Right.

8 COMM. GORTON: Yes. That -- that's correct.
9 That's when we would meet.

10 CHAIRWOMAN POWELL: So -- so you're just
11 going to continue on the districts as we discussed the
12 last week?

13 COMM. HUFF: Yes.

14 COMM. GORTON: Yes.

15 COMM. HUFF: From our aspect.

16 COMM. FOSTER: That's correct. I agree with
17 that.

18 CHAIRWOMAN POWELL: Okay. I've been getting
19 some press inquiries about when you're going to enter
20 Eastern Washington, which is why I wanted to check.
21 But it sounds like you're going to have something
22 substantive next Tuesday. And then maybe we can talk
23 about, you know, moving eastward.

24 COMM. HUFF: we'll be losing --

25 COMM. CEIS: (Indiscernible).

1 COMM. HUFF: We're going to be losing a
2 little bit of time this week because of Thanksgiving,
3 of course. But I think we could get enough time to get
4 some results to you by next Tuesday. Yes.

5 CHAIRWOMAN POWELL: Okay. Is there anything
6 else to bring up during this portion of the meeting?

7 Okay. Then let's move on to the public-comment
8 part. Do we have anyone wishing to make public
9 comment?

10 COMM. HUFF: Yes.

11 CHAIRWOMAN POWELL: Okay. I just want to
12 verify with the staff, since I'm not there present,
13 that there is no public comment.

14 COMM. FOSTER: No. No. Yes, there is
15 somebody.

16 CHAIRWOMAN POWELL: Oh, there is.

17 COMM. FOSTER: Yes.

18 CHAIRWOMAN POWELL: Okay. I have not
19 received anything, so . . .

20 COMM. FOSTER: He's ready to speak.

21 CHAIRWOMAN POWELL: Okay. If you would
22 please state your -- state your name for the record.

23 MR. ANDERSON: Yes. Madam Chair and members
24 of the Commission, my name is David Anderson, and I am
25 one of the third-party-plan presenters. And I'm hoping

1 to encourage a stronger look at maintaining a strong
2 voice for independent voters, and --

3 But for starters, I would really want to thank you
4 for trying to have a -- or working to have an
5 interactive meeting like this. I know it's difficult,
6 and there's a lot of kinks in the system. But I assume
7 eventually we'll probably have holograms here and we'll
8 be able to see everybody virtually. But I think it's a
9 step in the right direction of where technology is
10 moving in our society, and I thank you for having this
11 meeting in this format.

12 I stumbled upon a really interesting adage in
13 doing some of my research, and it's called Campbell's
14 Law. And I couldn't resist not sharing this with the
15 Commission because I think this is very applicable to
16 some of the deliberations this Commission is working.
17 It's an adage.

18 The law is essentially this: "The more any" --
19 "any quantitative study" -- so -- excuse me. (As read)
20 "The more any quantitative social indicator is used for
21 social decision-making, the more subject it will be to
22 corrupt pressures and the more apt it will be to
23 distort and corrupt the social process it is intended
24 to monitor."

25 This was created by McDonald T. Campbell, a social

1 scientist, in 1976. And it's -- it's an adage that has
2 been applied mostly to -- so far to high-stakes
3 academic testing for students and applied to people
4 trying to segregate different communities and -- and
5 create different tests for different people. But I
6 think it also applies to some of the dangers and
7 pitfalls that districting has in the state of
8 Washington.

9 I think in quantum physics there's this idea that
10 if you -- the moment you try to measure something,
11 you're changing what you were trying to measure; you're
12 changing the very thing that you are attempting to
13 affect and protect. And I think that is -- and some of
14 the deliberations and some of your statements about
15 protecting -- measuring specific groups or measuring
16 specific levels of partisanship, I think that is really
17 a danger here in the state of Washington.

18 So I just want to share Campbell's Law. I'll give
19 it to you, copies of that.

20 And I also encourage you again to bring these
21 discussions to the -- bring your discussions of
22 districts to the open public record. You'll probably
23 have had about 30 hearings when this is all over; yet
24 there will be no on -- there will be no evidence of an
25 actual discussion on the public record of what is

1 really determining these districts.

2 And in a time when Congress is extremely
3 gridlocked, the day after our supercommittee in
4 Congress to get rid of the deficit dissolved in
5 gridlock, I think right now people need to see how
6 talented, intelligent public officials, leaders, can
7 sit down and have a reasonable discussion and show us
8 the work, show us the toil it takes to come to tough
9 decisions. I mean, this isn't easy. None of this
10 districting has been easy. But I think that you have a
11 really great opportunity to really set this principle
12 of transparency and open discussions in the state of
13 Washington into the future.

14 And so again, thank you for this opportunity to
15 present these ideas, and good luck in your continued
16 work.

17 CHAIRWOMAN POWELL: Thank you for your input.

18 Any questions or comments?

19 Okay. The only --

20 I'm sorry. Is someone saying --

21 Okay. I -- we do have one question raised online.
22 It is a comment from Paul Wagemann. He sent a letter
23 yesterday with comments and was wondering if it had
24 been received.

25 So Gen or Heather?

1 I'm sure it was --

2 MS. BOE: Well --

3 CHAIRWOMAN POWELL: -- sent via the website.

4 Go ahead.

5 MS. BOE: This is Heather.

6 We received an e-mail comment that was put into
7 the -- the matrix of comments that was sent out to
8 commissioners this morning.

9 CHAIRWOMAN POWELL: Okay. Thank you.

10 MS. O'SULLIVAN: And there was a comment --

11 CHAIRWOMAN POWELL: Are there any --

12 MS. O'SULLIVAN: There was one more comment
13 right above his from --

14 CHAIRWOMAN POWELL: Oh.

15 MS. O'SULLIVAN: -- Sue Lani Madsen. Above
16 his.

17 CHAIRWOMAN POWELL: Okay. Let me see that.
18 Okay. All right. Let me read that.

19 From Sue Lani Matsen. That's s-u-e middle name
20 L-a-n-i M-a-d-s-e-n. (As read) "Just waiting
21 semi-patiently for you to get to eastern Washington.
22 Concerned eastern Washington will be rushed through.
23 It will be difficult for four commissioners without
24 significant on-the-ground experience in eastern
25 Washington to make thoughtful decisions quickly, they

1 will have to rely on data without adequate context for
2 interpretation."

3 And we have a new comment that's just been sent.

4 Pardon me?

5 We had a new comment come in from Amanda Taub;
6 that's T-a-u-b. And her comment is: "Douglas County
7 is also waiting for the Commission to reach eastern
8 Washington."

9 Okay. Are there any additional comments?

10 I hear someone trying to speak, and I can't hear.

11 MS. BOE: Lura, this is Heather. We have
12 about nine people, members of the public, that had
13 registered to participate in the call. We do not know
14 if they're currently on the phone or not. So you might
15 ask anybody on the phone that wishes to comment to
16 press #-6 to unmute their line.

17 CHAIRWOMAN POWELL: Okay.

18 Yes. Okay. So if anyone from the public that's
19 on the line wishes to speak, hit #-6 on your phone to
20 ring in and let us know if you'd like to make a
21 comment.

22 Okay. No one wants to make -- no one wishing to
23 make a comment.

24 Okay. Anyone else present wish to make a comment?

25 Okay. Hearing none, is there any other business

1 to come about before the Commission today?

2 Okay. Hearing none, I then --

3 I'm sorry? I can't -- is someone trying to make a
4 comment?

5 MS. BUNNING: I don't think so.

6 CHAIRWOMAN POWELL: Okay. Okay. Since we
7 don't have any further business, then I declare that we
8 are adjourned today. Thank you all very much for
9 coming.

10 (Proceedings concluded at 10:48 a.m.)

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