



**Minutes of the Redistricting Commission  
September 13, 2011**

Hearing Room 1, John A. Cherberg Building, 304 15<sup>th</sup> Ave, Olympia, Washington  
*Broadcast and Webcast Live on TVW*

**Commission Members Present:**

Commissioner Lura Powell, Chair  
Commissioner Tim Ceis  
Commissioner Dean Foster

Commissioner Slade Gorton  
Commissioner Tom Huff

**Commission Members Absent:**

None

**Commission Staff Present:**

Bonnie Bunning, Executive Director  
Heather Boe, Executive Assistant  
Cathy Cochrane, Communications Director

Genevieve O'Sullivan, Outreach  
Coordinator  
Nick Pharris, GIS Mapping & Data  
Specialist

**Other Attendees:**

David Anderson, We Plan  
James Arimc, Citizen  
Adam Bartz, House of Representatives  
Katie Blinn, Office of Secretary of State  
Elsa Batres Boni, One America  
Tera Behct, Citizen  
James Burrows, Citizen  
Cherry Cayabyab, United for Fair  
Representation  
Liz Coleman, House of Representatives  
Linda Danforth, Congressman Adam Smith  
Oscar Eason, Jr., National Association for  
the Advancement of Colored People  
Steven Garrett, Senate and House of  
Representatives  
Nova Gattman, Senator Haugen's Office  
Yemane Gebremicael, East African  
Coalition  
Estelle Gwinn, The Vancouver Columbian  
Rahwa Habte, One America  
Tom L. Hilyard, Tacoma Black Collective  
Nathan Johnson, Washington State Senate  
Michael King, Senate Democratic Campaign  
Committee

Harry Korrell, Citizen  
Godfrey Laws, Mount Zion Church  
Mariann Lincoln, Bethel School District  
Board  
Steve Lindstrom, Citizen  
Tony Lystra, The Daily News  
Reverend Robert Manaway, Tabernacle  
Baptist Church  
John Milem, Citizen  
Ryan Moore, Washington State Senate  
Pam Morris, Black Policy Foundation  
Mutsa Mukome, One America  
Libby Nieland, Secretary of State  
D. Nothnagle, Citizen  
Ada Williams Prince, One America  
Donovan Quebedeaux, BIAW  
Kay Ramsay, Office of Secretary of State  
Jeff Rhodes, Freedom Foundation  
Robin Rodgers, King County  
Amy Ruble, House of Representatives  
Yazmin Santacruz, One America  
Jessica Scruggs, One America  
Don Skillman, House of Representatives  
Kelly Singh, Washington State Senate

Zach Smith, Thurston County Democrats  
 Stephen Strader, Citizen  
 K-Y Su, House of Representatives  
 Sharmila Swenson, Jay Inslee's Office  
 Mike Wallin, Rep Klippert  
 Emily Walters, Washington State Senate

Mary Ellen Ward, Citizen  
 Wally Webster II, Mt. Zion Baptist Church  
 Reverend Aaron Williams, Mt. Zion Baptist  
 Church  
 David Wilson, King County

### 1. CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTIONS

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. with Lura Powell presiding as Chair.

### 2. APPROVAL OF AUGUST 9, 2011 MEETING MINUTES

The minutes for August 9, 2011 were presented by the Chair for approval.

**Motion:** Commissioner Gorton moved to approve the minutes.

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

**Against:** None.

### 3. INTRODUCTION

Chair Powell gave an overview about the Commission and its progress. She thanked the members of the public who took the time to provide thoughtful comments and prepare third party plans. Chair Powell reviewed the guidelines the Commissioners were required to use in developing their draft plans. She then explained that the Commissioners had previously decided amongst themselves the order of their presentations. She stated that the large format draft plans and handouts would be available immediately after the meeting and for the remainder of the day in Conference Rooms A, B, and C in the Cherberg Building and be posted to the Commission's website by 2 p.m.

### 4. PRESENTATION OF DRAFT REDISTRICTING PLANS

Commissioners Dean Foster and Tim Ceis presented their draft legislative plans. (See Commission packet.)

Commissioners Dean Foster and Tim Ceis presented their draft congressional plans. (See Commission packet.)

Commissioner Tom Huff presented his draft legislative and congressional plans. (See Commission packet.)

Commissioner Slade Gorton presented his draft legislative and congressional plans. (See Commission packet.)

### 5. PUBLIC COMMENT

The following individuals provided public comment:

Tom L. Hilyard, Tacoma Black Collective  
 Oscar Eason, Jr., NAACP  
 Reverend Aaron Williams, Mt. Zion Baptist Church  
 Reverend Robert Manaway, Tabernacle Baptist Church  
 Ada Williams Prince, One America

Cherry Cayabyab, United for Fair Representation  
Yemane Gebremicael, East African Coalition  
Vann Anderson (online comment)  
Mariann Lincoln, Bethel School District Board  
Zach Smith, TCDCC  
Wallace Webster II, Mt. Zion Baptist Church  
Arianne Garden Vazquez (online comment)

A transcript of the public testimony will be published on the Commission's website at <http://www.redistricting.wa.gov/pastmeetings.asp> and can be viewed as a broadcast at <http://www.tvw.org/media/mediaplayer.cfm?evid=2011090001&TYPE=V&CFID=7084873&CFTOKEN=21837492&bhcp=1>.

#### **6. NEXT STEPS, WRAP UP**

Chair Powell explained that the media availability would convene in this room at 11:45. Maps are viewable all afternoon in conference room A, B, and C and will be available on the Web by 2 p.m. She emphasized that public comments will be accepted by the Web, email, mail, or phone and will conclude on October 11. There will be another opportunity to comment in person, by phone, or by Web at the October 11 meeting.

#### **ADJOURN**

There being no further business to come before the Commission the meeting was adjourned at 11:22 a.m.