

Colorado Independent Congressional Redistricting Commission
March 15, 2021 – 2:00pm
Virtual Meeting

Attendance:

Brawner	X	Moore	X
Coleman	X	Schell	X
Diawara	X	Shepherd Macklin	X
Espinoza	X	Tafoya	X
Kelly	X	Wilkes	X
Leone	X	Hare	X

The meeting was called to order by: Commissioner Hare

This report was prepared by: Julia Jackson

Meeting materials: <https://coleg.box.com/s/iearmgqyl7zhc4qo3yom6zpb26boorer>

Introductions

2:16pm – Commissioner Hare, temporary chair, called the meeting to order. The commissioners introduced themselves.

2:42pm – Jeremiah Barry, Managing Attorney of the Colorado Independent Redistricting Commissions, introduced himself and discussed the role of commission staff.

2:47pm – Jessika Shipley, Staff Director of the Colorado Independent Redistricting Commissions, introduced herself and other members of the commission staff.

Open Meetings and Open Records

2:52pm – Nicole Myers, commission staff, presented on transparency of commission activities. She discussed open meetings and open records laws. Ms. Myers and Mr. Barry responded to questions from the commissioners about open meetings.

3:16pm – Ms. Myers continued to discuss open records and respond to questions from the commissioners. Mr. Barry and Ms. Shipley also responded to commissioner questions.

3:40pm – The commission recessed.

Commission Operations and Procedures

3:52pm – The commission reconvened.

3:53pm – Ms. Shipley presented on commission operations and procedures. She explained the need to develop commission rules.

4:05pm – Commissioners discussed the process of developing commission rules with Ms. Shipley.

Commission Timeline and Outside Counsel

4:16pm – Mr. Barry noted delays in the receipt of census data, including population data for apportionment and redistricting data. He discussed the commission's timeline.

4:24pm – Commissioners discussed the data delays and possible adjustments to the timeline.

4:37pm – Mr. Barry explained how prior Reapportionment Commissions selected outside counsel. He suggested the commission appoint a subcommittee for this process.

4:42pm – Commissioners discussed how to proceed with commission organization.

Administrative Matters

4:50pm – Ms. Shipley presented administrative matters to the commissioners, including the creation of dedicated email addresses and the provision of commission-issued computers.

4:58pm – Motion by Commissioner Coleman, seconded by Commissioner Moore, that staff continue to respond to press inquiries directed to the commission until otherwise directed. The motion passed without objection.

5:00pm – Ms. Shipley suggested the commissioners consider policies for records of public meetings. She also provided information about commissioner per diem, mileage, and expenses.

5:06pm – Commissioner Hare suggested that the commission meet again on Monday, March 22, 2021, and further suggested that a schedule of meetings be set early. The commission agreed to meet again from 2:00-4:00pm on March 22, as well as the following three Mondays.

5:16pm – The commissioners discussed agenda items for their next meeting.

5:25pm – Motion by Commissioner Leone, seconded by Commissioner Schell, to provide notice of the commission's intent to adopt a simplified Robert's Rules of Order as temporary rules for the commission. The motion passed without objection.

5:26pm – The commission adjourned.