

#### OHIO REDISTRICTING COMMISSION MINUTES – MARCH 24, 2022 @ 7:00 PM OHIO STATEHOUSE, ROOM 313 ONE CAPITOL SQUARE, COLUMBUS, OHIO

## **Members Present:**

- Governor Mike DeWine, member of the Ohio Redistricting Commission pursuant to Article XI, Section 1 of the Ohio Constitution (attending virtually)
- Auditor of State Keith Faber, member of the Ohio Redistricting Commission pursuant to Article XI, Section 1 of the Ohio Constitution (attending virtually)
- Secretary of State Frank LaRose, member of the Ohio Redistricting Commission pursuant to Article XI, Section 1 of the Ohio Constitution (attending virtually)
- Speaker of the House of Representatives Robert R. Cupp, appointed to the Ohio Redistricting Commission by the Speaker of the House of Representatives pursuant to Article XI, Section 1 of the Ohio Constitution
- Minority Leader Allison Russo, appointed to the Ohio Redistricting Commission by the Acting Minority Leader of the House of Representatives pursuant to Article XI, Section 1 of the Ohio Constitution
- Senate President Matt Huffman, appointed to the Ohio Redistricting Commission by the President of the Senate pursuant to Article XI, Section 1 of the Ohio Constitution (attending virtually)
- Senator Vernon Sykes, appointed to the Ohio Redistricting Commission by the Minority Leader of the Senate pursuant to Article XI, Section 1 of the Ohio Constitution

## Members Absent:

None

## A. Call to Order

Co-Chair Sykes called to order the meeting which began on March 23, 2022. Co-Chair Sykes adjourned said meeting and then called to order the March 24, 2022 meeting.

## B. Roll Call

With seven members in attendance, Co-Chair Sykes declared a quorum present.

## C. Minutes

Co-Chair Cupp made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 23, 2022 meeting. The motion was seconded by Leader Russo. Without objection, the minutes were approved.

#### D. Report from Independent Map Drawers

Douglas Johnson and Michael McDonald provided an update on the map drawing process, answered questions from the Commissioners, and asked for resolution on two specific questions.

Question One: With regard to overlap matters, the commission generally agreed to assign such a block to the unit with the largest layer.

Question Two: With regard to the treatment of competitive districts, the commission generally agreed to discuss the question with legal counsel and address it at a later time.

# E. Mediator Commentary

Scott Coburn offered feedback to the Commission on how mediators might be utilized during the map drawing process.

#### F. Commission in Recess

With no further business to come before the Commission, Co-Chair Sykes recessed the meeting.