

REDISTRICTING COMMITTEE

September 16, 2021

The Redistricting Committee convened at 5:00 p.m., Thursday, September 16, 2021, in the County Board Room at 181 West Seminary Street and via videoconference and teleconference.

Committee members present included: Bob Frank, Shaun Murphy-Lopez, Chad Cosgrove, Aaron Joyce, Bobbi Ann Goplin, Susie Hauri, Alan Lins, Dorothy Thompson and John Poole.

Others present included: Derek S. Kalish, County Clerk, Lynn Newkirk, GIS Technician and Corporation Counsel Michael Windle

1. **Call to order:** Frank called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.
2. **Proof of notification:** Kalish verified that the meeting had been properly noticed.
3. **Agenda approval:** Motion by Cosgrove, second by Thompson for approval of agenda. All ayes, motion carried.
4. **Approve minutes from previous meeting:** Motion by Poole, second by Lins to approve minutes from September 9, 2021 meeting. All ayes, motion carried.
5. **Discussion and possible action on the tentative plan:** Kalish and Newkirk reviewed Plan #5 with committee and noted the altered composition of Districts #19 and #20. The previous version (Plan #4) of the proposed Tentative Plan was compared to Plan #5. Kalish noted that Plan #5 was created to take into the consideration the concerns brought forth regarding the irregular shape of the Districts #19 and #20 within Plan #4. Thompson noted she preferred Plan #5 over Plan #4 and inquired about the “False” indicators appearing within the statistics chart. Kalish read aloud a response received from the Legislative Technology Services Bureau regarding Thompson’s concerns. Lins noted that Plan #5 allows for population growth. Murphy-Lopez stated that the perception of gerrymandering was the primary focus in his concern of the irregular shape of Districts #19 and #20. Thompson inquired about the impact to the voter. Poole makes motion to rescind approval of Plan #4 as the Tentative Plan and to approve Plan #5 as the Richland County Tentative Plan for Redistricting, Murphy-Lopez seconds and motion carried with all ayes and no nays.
6. **Future Agenda Items:** None noted by committee members.

The next meeting will occur immediately following the Redistricting Public Hearing on Monday, September 20, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. at Health and Human Services, 221 W. Seminary Street, Richland Center, WI 53581, in the Main Conference Room, and via videoconference and teleconference.

7. **Adjourn:** Motion by Thompson, second by Lins to adjourn at 5:25 p.m. All ayes, motion carried.

Derek S. Kalish
Richland County Clerk