

Meeting Minutes King County Districting Committee

Monday, February 22, 2021 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.

Members Present:

Sophia Danenberg, Paul Graves, Cherryl Jackson-Williams and Rob Saka.

County Staff:

Patrick Hamacher, Simon Farretta, Erin Arya, Mike Sinsky and Mari Isaacson.

1. Call to Order

Patrick Hamacher called the meeting to order at 7:09 p.m.

2. Approval of the minutes from February 11, 2021

Member Paul Graves moved approval of the minutes. Member Rob Saka seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

3. Discussion of and possible action on selection of a Chair

Members discussed the various candidates for the Chair position, noting that all the nominees were exceptionally well qualified. There was extended discussion regarding Judge Ann Schindler, Dr. Tyrone Grandison, and Grace Chien. Members reached consensus to invite Judge Schindler and Dr. Grandison to the next meeting for a group interview. Members discussed logistics for the interview and developing questions.

4. Next meeting/next steps

Staff will work to schedule interviews/discussions with the two candidates. Staff will send a draft statement of work for the RFP to select the Districting Master to the committee for their review by email.

Member Saka asked staff for an update on the Census data timing and relevant legislation in Olympia. Hamacher indicated it could be October before the committee receives local Census data and noted that there is a great deal of work that can be done prior to that given the existing data and modern GIS systems available.

5. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:58 p.m.