

MEETING MINUTES
PIERCE COUNTY DISTRICTING COMMITTEE
October 12, 2021 – 5:30 p.m.

(Note: These minutes are not verbatim. Audio recordings are available at the [Pierce County Districting Committee website](#).)

1. Call to Order

The October 12, 2021, meeting of the Pierce County Districting Committee was called to order at 5:45 p.m. by Chair Cuthbertson via teleconference.

2. Roll Call

Linda Medley, Meeting Clerk, called the roll.

Committee Members Present: The Honorable Frank Cuthbertson, Chair; and Sharon Hanek, Justin Leighton, Doug Richardson, and Joy Stanford, Members.

Staff Present: Pierce County Council Office – Natalie Ferri, Susan Long, and Linda Medley; Prosecuting Attorney's Office – Michelle Luna.

3. Approval of Agenda

Chair Cuthbertson asked if there were any objections to the agenda being amended to have Item 4., Approval of Minutes, follow the interviews. There were no objections.

5. Districting Master Interviews

- Steven Garrett (5:40 – 6:10 p.m.)
- Sahara Vuth Preap (6:10 p.m. – 6:40 p.m.)
- Jim Thatcher (6:40 p.m. – 7:10 p.m.)

Steven Garrett provided an overview of his proposal and responded to questions of Committee members.

Chair Cuthbertson thanked Garrett for his proposal.

[Note: Leighton pointed out the Committee had not formally approved the agenda.]

Leighton moved approval of the agenda; motion seconded. Hanek called a Point of Order noting the agenda had been amended. Leighton corrected his motion to move approval of the agenda as amended; motion seconded and passed on a voice vote.

The meeting recessed at 6:07 p.m.; the meeting reconvened at 6:10 p.m.

5. Districting Master Interviews (continued)

- Steven Garrett (5:40 – 6:10 p.m.)
- Sahara Vuth Preap (6:10 p.m. – 6:40 p.m.)
- Jim Thatcher (6:40 p.m. – 7:10 p.m.)

Sahara Vuth Preap provided an overview of his proposal. Committee members provided comment.

[Note: Because the interview concluded prior to the time the next interview was scheduled to begin, the Committee advanced to Item 4., Approval of Minutes.]

4. Approval of Minutes

- September 20, 2021, Special meeting;
- September 28, 2021, Special meeting;
- September 29, 2021, Special meeting;
- October 5, 2021, Special meeting; and
- October 7, 2021, Special meeting.

Chair Cuthbertson suggested two motions; one for approval of the meeting minutes prior to appointment of the Chair; one for approval of the meeting minutes following the appointment of the Chair.

Leighton moved approval of the September 20, September 28, and September 29, 2021, minutes of the Districting Committee as presented; motion seconded. The motion carried on a roll call vote of 4 to 0 (aye: Hanek, Leighton, Richardson, and Stanford; Chair Cuthbertson abstained).

Leighton moved approval of the October 5 and October 7, 2021, minutes of the Districting Committee as presented; motion seconded. Discussion followed. The motion carried on a roll call vote of 5 to 0 (aye: Cuthbertson, Hanek, Leighton, Richardson, and Stanford).

Prior to conclusion of the interviews, Chair Cuthbertson confirmed one application was not timely received.

5. Districting Master Interviews (continued)

- Steven Garrett (5:40 – 6:10 p.m.)
- Sahara Vuth Preap (6:10 p.m. – 6:40 p.m.)
- Jim Thatcher (6:40 p.m. – 7:10 p.m.)

James Thatcher provided an overview of his proposal and responded to questions of Committee members.

Chair Cuthbertson thanked Thatcher for his proposal.

6. Selection of Districting Master

Following discussion, Chair Cuthbertson requested this item be moved to the regular meeting scheduled for Tuesday, October 19, 2021, at 5:30 p.m.

Discussion followed regarding the Districting Committee's budget, and Luna spoke to the contract for the Districting Master.

7. Public Comment

There was none.

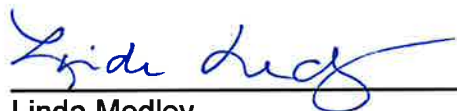
8. Other Business

There was none.

9. Adjournment

The meeting of the Districting Committee adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

Approved:



Linda Medley
Meeting Clerk