

JOINT MEETING

ALASKA REDISTRICTING BOARD AND PLANNING COMMITTEE

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1 P R O C E E D I N G S

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3 (On record)

4 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: Okay. I'd like to bring us to
5 order. It's 1:30. This is the meeting of the joint -- a joint
6 meeting of the Redistricting Planning Committee and the
7 Redistricting Board. Members present -- board members present,
8 Marie Greene, John Torgerson, Jim Holm, Al Clough and
9 teleconference from Kodiak is Bob Brodie. And then the
10 Planning Committee members that are present are Ron Miller,
11 Linda Hay, Brynn Keith, myself, Doug Wooliver, chair, and
12 Margaret Paton-Walsh
13 is on teleconference.

14 The purpose of the meeting is to -- well, it's a couple
15 of things. One, to give you kind of an overview of what the
16 Redistricting Planning Committee has done and first of all kind
17 of let you know who we are. And then to provide you with
18 somewhat of an overview of some of the things that you are
19 going to be doing in the near future, some recommendations on
20 some of the things you should do first. And basically pass the
21 baton to you for the redistricting work from here on out.

22 The Redistricting Planning Committee was created by
23 statute as a way to kind of lay some of the groundwork for the
24 Redistricting Board once it's appointed. We do things like
25 purchase software, hardware for the redistricting effort, find

1 office space and begin the process of gathering data that's --
2 some of the data that you'll need in your redistricting
3 efforts. On this -- on the committee, Ron Miller is appointed
4 by Speaker Chenault. He's a local attorney and businessman.
5 We have a Linda Hay, whose staff for Senator Stedman in the
6 legislature. She's appointed by the Senate President Stevens.
7 We have Brynn Keith, who is a governor's appointee. She's with
8 the Department of Labor & Workforce Development. Margaret
9 Paton-Walsh who goes by Mags. Mags is with the Department of
10 Law, also appointed by Governor Parnell. And I'm Doug
11 Wooliver. I'm an administrative attorney for the court system
12 and appointed by Chief Justice Carpeneti.

13 So what we do is do some of the preliminary work. And
14 one of the first things that we had to do was procure software
15 that you'll use in the redistricting effort. We just went
16 through the procurement process. We were assisted
17 substantially by the Department of Labor & Workforce
18 Development in terms of kind of the technical needs that we
19 would -- technical needs for the effort. We were also assisted
20 by Shawn Henderson who works -- who helps with procurement
21 issues so that -- make sure that our procurement of software
22 was consistent with state law.

23 And we have a vendor. The Vendor is Citygate and they
24 -- the name of their software is AutoBound. It's one of the
25 premier types of redistricting software available in the

1 country. We also have purchased a whole lot of hardware that
2 the committee will need, computers and printers and ink
3 cartridges and all the types of things that you'll need for
4 drawing plans and printing them off. The -- one of the things
5 that we helped do is -- is start getting data in line and
6 available for the board. Alaska's one of the 16 or 17 states
7 that have to have their redistricting plans cleared by the
8 Department of Justice under the Voting Rights Act, Section 5 of
9 the Voting Rights Act. And in order to do that, when you're
10 drawing your lines, there's a lot of data that you're going to
11 rely on involving the racial makeup of voters and districts and
12 things like that.

13 In order to determine the kind of data that will be
14 necessary, we hired Dr. Lisa Handley. Dr. Handley is an expert
15 on redistricting. She came to Juneau to one of our meetings
16 and talked with the Department of Labor and our committee about
17 all of the various types of data that the Department of Labor
18 with the help of Division of Elections would gather so that
19 when you're drawing your lines, you'll know -- you'll have the
20 kind of information you need for pre-clearance by the
21 Department of Justice.

22 Dr. Handley is terrific. She was the board's expert 10
23 years ago. When you start your work, you will need a Section 5
24 expert to help you throughout the process to make sure that the
25 lines you draw are going to be in conformance with the

1 Department of Justice laws and regulations. There are only a
2 handful of Section 5 experts in the country for redistricting.
3 She's one of them. She's the only one with Alaska experience.
4 Like I say, the board hired her last time. And we have -- in
5 the memo that I delivered to you, we have her contact
6 information. We would encourage you to seriously consider her
7 for this work. She likes working in Alaska. She said she'd
8 like to hold open a space to continue to work on this effort.
9 But she's a very busy person. She travels all over the world
10 doing election consulting for governments. And -- but if you
11 should choose to go with her -- you'll need to go with somebody
12 -- if you choose you to go with her, we've included the contact
13 information.

14 The other things you're going to need, of course, is
15 office space. Ten years ago when we had the Redistricting
16 Planning Committee meetings we selected office space in Juneau.
17 And that was because at the time we wanted to have the
18 redistricting board and its staff in close proximity to some
19 of the people at the Department of Labor who were based in
20 Juneau. This time around we felt that at least -- this is one
21 of the -- this is the only real vote we had that wasn't
22 unanimous. This was a three-to-two vote. We decided this time
23 around to have your office space in Anchorage. The physical
24 proximity we thought wasn't as important with technology today
25 as it was 10 years ago. And just the more centralized location

1 of Anchorage seemed to us to be the more important criteria.
2 So you have about 2700 square feet of office space in the
3 Sunshine Plaza on Fourth Avenue. And I've got the address in
4 your memo. That space should be available within the next few
5 to several days.

6 And once you do have that space, then you'll be -- you
7 can begin to install all the hardware. This committee has
8 purchased all the hardware. It will be installed in your new
9 offices. And once that's all installed, the software vendor
10 will come up and install software and provide training to staff
11 and board members on how to use that software.

12 You have a budget. Ten years ago, the budget was
13 housed in Legislative Affairs. Budget this time around, it's
14 in the Office of the Governor. It has to go somewhere. It's
15 money for the board and for the redistricting process, but
16 because the Redistricting Board and the Redistricting Planning
17 Committee don't have their own accounting mechanisms, we run
18 through one of the state agencies. And this time around, the
19 office that's doing it is the Governor's Office. And the
20 Governor's Office can help with a lot of your administrative
21 needs. They can help arrange the travel. They can help
22 arrange -- any kind of payment will need to be -- need to go
23 through them and they'll be the ones who cut the checks. Linda
24 Perez in the Governor's Office is the point person for this
25 committee and for this board.

1 In the -- in your memo, I've included some more
2 information about who to contact for travel arrangements, who
3 to contact for information on the lease space and whatnot. But
4 Linda Perez is your main person in the Governor's Office that
5 can help facilitate what you're doing. Out of your budget,
6 which is at this point \$1,836,111, out of that budget will be
7 all of your -- will come all of your expenses. So everything
8 related to litigation costs, staff, the attorney you're likely
9 to hire, executive director, your travel, any of those types of
10 expenses, anything and everything that costs money to the
11 Redistricting Board will come out of that 1.8 million dollars.

12 Part of that also will be your compensation. The
13 Constitution says the board members shall be compensated. I
14 think last time, 10 years ago, the compensation they approved
15 for themselves was a honorarium of \$200 a day. But what you
16 decide to pay yourselves is -- will be up to you. Also, as
17 you're planning where to go and what to do, your meeting
18 notices need to be publicly noticed. Initially at least the
19 Governor's Office can again help with that process through
20 Linda Perez or staff that she assigns to it. And once you have
21 an executive director, you will also hopefully have -- soon
22 have a website. You can post public notices there, but you
23 should probably always also alert the Governor's Office so they
24 can go out on the state's public notice system, which can be
25 really helpful.

1 As far as the website, a website's going to be an
2 important part of everything that you do. It's your main
3 contact with the public. It's where you'll post your draft
4 plans. It's where you'll make all of your public meeting
5 notices and, like I say, in addition to meeting, you know,
6 sharing with the governor's office, a website really will be
7 critical. And I think 10 years ago Alaska's website was seen
8 by many states as a very good one. Presumably they can be even
9 better this time around. And the executive director, when you
10 hire an executive director, will want to go out and either if
11 they have in-house expertise with the staff he or she hires to
12 develop one or go to some local provider who designs websites
13 for a living. But you'll want a very good website and it'll be
14 a very important part of the public access to this whole
15 process, will be through your website.

16 Additionally, the things on the website and everything
17 else almost -- well, presumably everything else you have will
18 be of public record too. So that is important to remember.
19 Public record, I think that kind of the working presumption is
20 every -- all your emails, everything else is either of public
21 record or will be discoverable in future litigation should
22 there be any -- and there always has been and there probably
23 always will be litigation. So it's important to keep an
24 accurate and good public record.

25 I mentioned an executive director. One of the first

1 things you'll want to do is hire an executive director. An
2 executive director will help set up your office, oversee the
3 installation of the equipment, the timing for the training, the
4 hiring of staff. He can help organ -- work with the Governor's
5 Office on all of your travel requests. It's one of the first
6 things I think that you're going to want to do, is to find a
7 good executive director.

8 Ten years ago, the person who served as executive
9 director was Dr. Gordon Harrison, who's in Juneau. He's a
10 great resource. He told me he's not interested in the job this
11 time around, but he's more than happy to provide any assistance
12 he can in terms of advice on what the executive director can
13 and should do and what your initial steps should be. The one
14 thing -- one advantage you have that the last board did not
15 have was people who did it 10 years ago. And he's a great
16 resource. And he can help you make hopefully a lot of good
17 decisions right away. And I've included his phone number in
18 your packet as well.

19 You'll also be -- he'll probably hire or he or she will
20 then hire staff. Last time I think there were four staff in
21 addition to the administrative or executive director. They'll
22 help with all the drawing of lines and other data working that
23 you'll be doing. And you'll also be hiring legal counsel. The
24 executive director might be able to help with all of those.
25 And in addition, in terms of hiring staff, again, through the

1 Office of the Governor and -- or through Linda and she may able
2 to point you to personnel people, but that office can help make
3 sure -- help you with the hiring process for staff and things
4 and the payment for staff, but all of the accounting aspects as
5 I mentioned before.

6 In terms of your time lines, you've got from now until
7 the data arrives to pretty much get ready for the data, which
8 is some work, but not a lot. But once the data is -- arrives
9 from the Census Bureau, which will be in February or March.
10 The last time was in March, beginning of March maybe, that
11 starts a 30-day clock. And then you -- they know you'll have
12 30 days under the Constitution to come up with a draft plan.
13 That will be a very busy 30 days. And then you'll have --
14 there will be 60 days immediately following that for public
15 comment. Last time the board traveled around the state to a
16 variety places, you hold a lot of teleconferences and public
17 meetings, take a lot of testimony. And at the end of that
18 60-day period you will have a final plan adopted. So you have
19 90 days from the time the data arrives until you have a
20 completed plan. It's a busy, busy time. And then if the plan
21 is challenged in court, you start the court process.

22 Also, another thing you're going to want to do probably
23 fairly soon is elect a chair amongst yourselves to coordinate
24 meetings and other steps that you're going to be taking.
25 That's kind of an overview of what we've done and where you're

1 going. And is there any questions or any staff want to -- any
2 of us want to add anything?

3 MR. MILLER: The -- Doug, if I can. The board has some
4 leeway in when it receives the data from the Census Bureau. By
5 law, the Census Bureau has to deliver it by April 1 of the year
6 following the census year. So it's April 1 of next year. You
7 can receive it early in that process or late in that process.
8 I think it was March 19th is when the board got it last time.

9 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: Somewhere around there.

10 MR. MILLER: Yeah. And so.....

11 MS. KEITH: And they had actually delayed it. They had
12 req.....

13 MR. MILLER: Yeah.

14 MS. KEITH: The state of Alaska had requested it be
15 delayed.

16 MR. MILLER: And because once you get it, as Doug says,
17 you know, it's an expedited process. Lawsuits have to be filed
18 within 30 days after adoption of a plan and all legal reviews
19 have to be expedited. That's by statute -- or by
20 Constitutional provision. So -- and we've set out a schedule
21 in here of what was -- the schedule that was followed last time
22 along with the -- the preplanned hearings and the board
23 meetings. So it shows about two years of lots of work.
24 And.....

25 MS. KEITH: And how long do we have the building for?

1 Have the office space? We have that for awhile yet too, right?
2 (Indiscernible).

3 MR. MILLER: Yeah, I think it's -- yeah, I think that's
4 two years.

5 MS. KEITH: Weren't we looking at 18 months.....

6 MR. MILLER: Eighteen months.....

7 MS. KEITH:to a year.

8 MR. MILLER:lease.

9 MR. WOOLIVER: Well, I can check.

10 MR. MILLER: Can confirm that, but.....

11 MS. KEITH: Probably before we talk about it, yeah.

12 MR. MILLER: But Gordon kept the office open. In 2002,
13 the final plan was upheld by the Supreme Court in May and
14 Gordon closed the office in December, because he was packaging
15 everything up for archives and just wrapping up and preserving
16 records. So it was a process that started in March and final
17 action by anyone related to the Redistricting Board was
18 December 2002, even though the plan had been adopted in May.

19 MS. KEITH: It would certainly be my recommendation
20 that the board consider asking for a delayed relief data,
21 because there -- even though you shouldn't have to worry about
22 the data, and it's a very data driven process, my office will
23 take care of compiling most of the data. There's some glitches
24 that we're working on right now. But still, just getting
25 familiar with how the building block process works. It takes

1 time. And I think you would be well served to give yourself a
2 little more lead time.

3 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: Also, and this is Doug, as you all
4 know, and I'm not sure how many of you are able to travel to --
5 travel outside for this next redistricting seminar hosted by
6 National Center for State Legislatures, but I don't know that
7 10 years ago the board had that opportunity. This time around
8 it's a great opportunity if you can make that trip. If you
9 can't make that trip, there is a final redistricting seminar I
10 think in January. And I've included that information in the
11 memo as well. But if you can make either one of those, we'd
12 really encourage it. It's supposed to be very good and give
13 you a really good idea of the redistricting process and the
14 things you're going to be taking into account as you draw the
15 lines. Good information on how to interact with the public and
16 just do the job that you're going to be doing.

17 MS. KEITH: And you'll find that the seminars tend to
18 repeat a lot of the same information from seminar to seminar.
19 And what you'll also find though is that there will be certain
20 portions of the information that's not applicable to us because
21 -- besides being one of the few Section 5 states, we're also
22 one of the few states that have an independent board that does
23 the redistricting. A lot of states, the legislature gets right
24 into it. The legislators do it. So -- but you're going to
25 find that some of the information is not pertinent, but they're

1 quite valuable and they're worth going to.

2 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: Brynn?

3 MS. KEITH: Uh-huh.

4 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: I fully understand the time
5 line of the federal data. Now how soon will you or your office
6 be able to provide data that's order of magnitude or better?

7 MS. KEITH: Yeah, the data that my office provides --
8 well, let me just explain why we're involved in this at all.
9 We're in the Department of Labor so it may seem odd that labor
10 would be involved in redistricting, but we also have the state
11 demographer and we're very connected to the US Census Bureau.
12 And that really is the hook for us. And we've been involved in
13 the redistricting process, this will be probably the fourth
14 time. So we are very involved throughout the entire decade,
15 ensuring to the best of our ability that the decennial census
16 data are as accurate as they can be. And we work with census
17 just very closely on that, because good data are really
18 critical to solid redistricting.

19 But then the other pieces of data that really are not
20 housed in labor but that we are involved in compiling are
21 elections data, because we really need that history for the
22 past decade of election returns, voting and so forth. And most
23 of those data are compiled, but we're still trying to figure
24 some things out. So we would I think within the next six weeks
25 have solid data.

1 Now that's the first piece, you know, we're the sort of
2 data foundation people, but as Doug alluded to, the whole
3 Section 5 piece is pretty darn complicated. And we're not
4 Section 5 experts in my office. And some of what happened in
5 the DOJ analysis in preparing for that is statistical magic.
6 There's a lot of inference that goes on there. And there are
7 folks that that's their specialty. That's what they do, Dr.
8 Handley being one of them. And I think you folks again, to
9 reuse the phrase, would be well served to go to an expert to do
10 that. Though we could crunch it, I don't know that if would
11 withstand legal scrutiny to the same degree, because again,
12 that's not our level of expertise, our area of expertise.

13 But we should have the data that we can compile within
14 the next month to six weeks. Now there are some potential data
15 gaps. And I won't go into excruciating detail, though you'll
16 probably learn more than you ever wanted to know about this
17 over the course of your tenure on the board, but the decennial
18 census has changed this time around. In the past, there was
19 the short form and the long form. There's no longer a long
20 form. And the sociodemographic data that used to be on the long
21 form is collected in what's called the American Community
22 Survey, ACS, which happens routinely now throughout the decade.
23 And those -- that particular data set should give the
24 geopolitical entity the numbers that you need to determine
25 language spoken. And we're not yet sure of the five year

1 rolling average for small geographic areas. And those data
2 will first become available I believe in September -- or
3 December rather. And we haven't reviewed them yet. It's
4 unclear how solid those data are going to be. Now, if they're
5 not solid, I think the worst case scenario is we would have to
6 go back to 2000 data, because again, it's not something that's
7 been collected on decennial census this time around. It's not
8 something Department of Labor collects. So this -- we may be
9 looking for a fallback position on that.

10 Another piece of data we're scratching our head on is
11 the race of candidates, political candidates in the past and
12 potentially the race of their spouses. These are all
13 candidates that ran. And that's not necessarily readily
14 available. So we're trying to figure out where to go for that.
15 But the vast majority of the data do exist or will exist
16 shortly. So I think we're in -- we're actually on very firm,
17 solid footing. Dr. Handley, when she was providing her
18 overview and sort of asking, well, do you guys have this and do
19 you guys have that, she was actually quite impressed by how
20 much work had been done by the state in preparation for it.
21 And a lot of the work is actually ensuring that the lines,
22 those geographic lines that the census Bureau uses are
23 accurate. And we actually do that in my office again
24 throughout the decade. As new pieces of geography come in,
25 we're ensuring that those tiger line files as they're called

1 are as accurate as they can be. So lots of foundational work
2 have been done. I do think you guys will be good solid data
3 footing as you move forward. That's certainly our goal, but
4 you need to give us about another.....

5 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: So just to follow up, if I
6 can use this terminology, that the peripheral information, all
7 the demographics, the ethnicity, et cetera, et cetera, et
8 cetera, will most likely be available this fall, first quarter
9 next year. The number data is what will be the last to come
10 through from the feds.

11 MS. KEITH: Correct. And just how census data rolls
12 out, end of December the data are delivered to the President
13 and then states start to get data for redistricting anywhere
14 between January, March or April. That's when your work begins.
15 Again, when you get the data is when the clock starts ticking.
16 And then additional demographic data will come out in May. And
17 it will -- the way census data are collected, you can break up
18 their base numbers in phenomenal variations. And that those
19 actually will come available in May.

20 MR. TORGERSON: I have some questions. Can you delay
21 the date certain, do you predetermine the date to review or
22 just.....

23 MS. KEITH: You know, I'm not certain about that.

24 MR. TORGERSON: In other words, we would set the
25 schedule instead of (indiscernible) setting the schedule.

1 MS. KEITH: You know, we can certainly ask and it was
2 through our office that we asked for the delay last time.....

3 MR. TORGERSON: For planning purposes it makes more
4 sense.....

5 MS. KEITH:based on the board. Yeah.

6 MR. TORGERSON:for the redistrict.

7 MS. KEITH: And then we can -- and they've been
8 responsive to us in the past so I believe if we say we --
9 (indiscernible) delay it that they will, but I'll certainly ask
10 if we can.....

11 MR. TORGERSON: And the other question.

12 MS. KEITH:justify.....

13 MR. TORGERSON: Will you automatically be updating our
14 software (indiscernible - away from microphone)?

15 MS. KEITH: Well, it depends. The answer to that
16 depends. One of my staff, Eric Sanford by name, is a
17 geographer and a GIS wiz. And he's also somewhat
18 (indiscernible) software that you'll be using. Never
19 redistricted in the past, which is something you'll have to
20 contend with, which is different than the previous two
21 redistricting efforts where you had experts who had actually
22 crunched the numbers and drew the lines. You don't have that,
23 but Eric is -- we're certainly willing to -- we'll task him to
24 the board if you're interested. And he would then be the one
25 who would load the software. If you choose to go a different

1 route, then maybe someone else would load the data into the
2 software.

3 MR. TORGERSON: It would -- we would basically hire
4 him.

5 MS. KEITH: I mean, we would pay his salary, but he's
6 in Juneau. He'd probably need to be here so the board would
7 need to pay for the relocation for him up here. But he's very
8 good. And getting solid GIS experience, geographic information
9 system experience for a limited duration project I think would
10 be a challenge for the board. So I think it's certainly worth
11 serious consideration to take advantage of his expertise.

12 MR. TORGERSON: So individually we should be able to
13 start, once we get in the office and in our setups, start
14 (indiscernible) lines or looking at lines (indiscernible) data
15 be there. And just to get a familiarity with the process and --
16 or not the process, but more the software. And then when the
17 final numbers come in, then you just see where you're off
18 (indiscernible).

19 MS. KEITH: Right.

20 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: And that's what I was
21 wondering about, John. I mean, if we have a lot of what is
22 close to being real data available by the first of year,
23 barring the actual population numbers, which, you know, I think
24 you can make some fairly educated guesses on some of those.
25 Then you can start to massage things with some idea that --

1 whether it's right or wrong, at least it shows you how it's
2 going to work out. If your data gaps are all over the map,
3 then you're kind of chasing your tail.

4 MS. KEITH: Yeah, you'll have your -- what, you've got
5 your software and.....

6 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: Yeah.

7 MS. KEITH:you have backup that if -- the
8 software company is from out of state, but you have
9 backups.....

10 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: Yeah.

11 MS. KEITH:here in state. And this is the same
12 company that provided the software last time, although the
13 software is completely redesigned and completely.....

14 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: They refined it.

15 MS. KEITH:different than was last time.

16 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: This is like third
17 generation or something?

18 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: Uh-huh. Yeah. Yeah.

19 MS. KEITH: And it's pretty intuitive, but.....

20 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: Yeah.

21 MS. KEITH: But the support service, RDI, has offices
22 both in Juneau and Anchorage. And they have an assigned
23 project person too that they will be providing backup. And the
24 company will help do training for you and the board, et cetera.

25 MR. TORGERSON: Would you actually receive the Census

1 numbers? Just the -- or are we the first official entity that
2 receives them from the Census (indiscernible)?

3 MS. KEITH: Actually, there's a handful of folks in the
4 state that will receive them, the board being one.

5 MR. TORGERSON: So you.....

6 MS. KEITH: My office will receive.....

7 MR. TORGERSON:could very well get them by
8 January 1st or something?

9 MS. KEITH: Yeah, January 1st probably isn't likely,
10 but by the end of January, but yeah.

11 MR. TORGERSON: Are we prohibited from reading those
12 numbers?

13 MS. KEITH: No, because when you get them, that's when
14 the clock starts.

15 MR. TORGERSON: But we wouldn't officially get them,
16 you know.

17 MS. KEITH: You don't unofficially get the numbers.

18 MR. TORGERSON: Okay, I -- yeah.

19 MS. KEITH: Nice try.

20 MR. TORGERSON: Yeah.

21 (Laughter)

22 MS. KEITH: You have really good connections if you get
23 them (indiscernible).

24 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: I'm sure they're that good.

25 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: No, no.

1 MR. CLOUGH: But peop -- but we can -- we will have
2 some high degree of reliability with a lot of the other pieces
3 of -- that are part of that rule book, it's just the ultimate
4 population counts.....

5 MS. KEITH: Exactly.

6 MR. CLOUGH:we won't get those -- we can guess,
7 we can talk to the experts.....

8 MS. KEITH: You -- right.

9 MR. CLOUGH: I mean, we can probably be within a couple
10 of percentage points I would imagine without a huge amount of
11 effort. But still, it's -- there will be a few ringers who
12 would come out there I'm sure.

13 MS. KEITH: And I think really a lot of that early
14 learning period is just, well, how do you do this and, you
15 know, what are the goals, the compactness and so forth. I
16 mean, there's things that you really have to go for if you
17 start, you know, redesigning or moving these lines. And I
18 think just kind of playing around with it is the best
19 educational tool.

20 MR. CLOUGH: I mean, I presume that the software and
21 the sort of plotters and things that go with it is -- well, as
22 fast as you can enter the data points and push the button, it's
23 going to.....

24 MS. KEITH: It's pretty slick.

25 MR. CLOUGH: It's going to print out a map and say,

1 okay, based on these parameters, this is what you got.

2 MS. KEITH: Yeah.

3 MR. CLOUGH: Which is a huge increase over what it was
4 10 years ago, where GISs were then.

5 MR. MILLER: And this is Ron Miller. I was on the
6 line, but another issue that'll be decided by the time line
7 that -- Al that you and Senator Torgerson were talking about is
8 the cons -- proposed Constitutional amendment that would expand
9 the legislature. I mean, that'll be decided in November. So
10 know whether we're going to have 40 districts or 44 districts.

11 MR. TORGERSON: I'm not going to speculate
12 (indiscernible).

13 MR. MILLER: It's best not to.

14 MR. TORGERSON: Thanks, Brynn, I appreciate that.

15 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: Mags, is there anything you wanted
16 to add or.....

17 MS. PATON-WALSH: I don't think so. I think you guys
18 have pretty much covered it. The one thing I don't know if you
19 guys had heard was that we did get pre-clearance from the
20 Department of Justice on the constitutional amendment. So we
21 don't have to worry about getting the feds to approve it if the
22 voters approve it. It'll just be -- it'll go in -- I mean,
23 we'll be able to put it into effect without worrying about
24 getting that approval, because we pre-cleared.

25 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: Okay. Well, that will be a time

1 saver.

2 MS. PATON-WALSH: Yeah.

3 MR. MILLER: Doug, this.....

4 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: Yeah.

5 MR. MILLER: This is Ron Miller again. Independent
6 legal counsel. I mean, the board has to acquire its own legal
7 counsel and that can either be under contract or on staff.
8 It's up to the board to decide that. I think last time there
9 were two proposals from law offices. So it's just whatever the
10 board wants to do in that regard. I don't know who's available
11 these days who -- in private practice who is an expert on
12 redistricting. Charlie Cole was one of the bidders and I think
13 the other bidder is on the bench right now.

14 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: Yeah, Philip Volland was the
15 counsel, but he's a superior court judge now. So.....

16 MR. TORGERSON: So Doug, was he hired by the -- or was
17 he private practice at the time?

18 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: He was in private practice and
19 hired by the board as their independent legal counsel.

20 MR. TORGERSON: I saw a reference here of \$180 an hour,
21 but.....

22 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: That was -- yeah, the \$180 an hour
23 I think was the -- what Dr. Handley had charged.....

24 MR. TORGERSON: Oh.

25 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER:10 years ago. And her, when

1 she's working, if you retain her or someone like her, part of
2 what that person will do is provide a lot of testimony to the
3 court about how the plan comports with the federal law, federal
4 requirements. But she's both an expert for drawing and then an
5 expert witness in court.

6 MR. TORGERSON: Will the Department of Law have
7 somebody we could -- or just -- way ahead of everything here
8 but (indiscernible) Department of Law, see if they have in-
9 house experts?

10 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: I think Mags is going to be the --
11 Mags, are you going to be the one for law on this?

12 MS. PATON-WALSH: I think Bill Milks and I have been
13 assigned. And I think our -- I mean, our role is -- I mean,
14 the law says there's an advisory agency for the committee, but
15 not for the board, because I think there's a potential for
16 conflict there in terms of our representation of the Governor
17 and stuff like that. So but I -- in theory, if there's
18 litigation, I will be involved, yes.

19 MR. TORGERSON: So does the board need to keep the
20 state totally autonomous from this in case the state wants to
21 be a plaintiff?

22 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: Yes.

23 MR. TORGERSON: I mean that -- so it wouldn't -- you
24 couldn't use proper law attorneys.....

25 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: No, and that.....

1 MR. TORGERSON:for the case.

2 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: As Mags suggested they have helped
3 us with the process, because our process is just essentially
4 planning and procurement issues, but once you're drawing lines,
5 you'll have your own counsel who represents you in court and
6 the Department of Law will represent the Governor's interests,
7 whatever they may be.

8 MR. TORGERSON: Would you buy us all laptops?

9 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: You can buy your own laptop.

10 (Laughter)

11 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: No, I don't think we bought.....

12 MR. TORGERSON: Oh, but you didn't.....

13 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER:laptops.

14 MR. TORGERSON: Oh, I didn't buy a laptop.

15 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: We talked about laptops. And of
16 course, if you think that what we have -- if you have other
17 needs, you can just -- you can buy them.

18 MS. KEITH: Yes.

19 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: So -- and we thought about the
20 laptops, discussed laptops. And if you think that those would
21 be helpful, and they may -- may very well be helpful.

22 MR. TORGERSON: So what, you have some stations for us
23 in the office.

24 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: Yeah. Uh-huh.

25 MR. TORGERSON: So if we wanted to draw boundaries

1 prior to the actual time line, we would have to be in the
2 office.

3 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: Yes. Un -- like -- unless you
4 choose to.....

5 MR. TORGERSON: Unless.....

6 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER:purchase a bunch.....

7 MR. TORGERSON:you're choose to purchase a
8 laptop.

9 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: Purchase half a dozen laptops.

10 MS. KEITH: Previous redistricting efforts,
11 confidentiality, security has been a huge concern for the
12 board. So, you know, laptops, anytime you have them and you're
13 working remotely, you open up possibilities of a laptop getting
14 lost and.....

15 MR. TORGERSON: That's true.

16 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER: The requirements of the
17 software back 10 years ago such that laptops didn't really work
18 at that time. I mean, it's really.....

19 MR. TORGERSON: Bet you that's changed now.

20 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER:gotten a whole lot
21 better now, yeah.

22 MR. TORGERSON: But still it's.....

23 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER: A lot's changed in 10
24 years.

25 MR. TORGERSON: No, I'm not pushing for it. I was just

1 curious. It's more of (indiscernible).

2 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: But we -- but you're right. We
3 didn't purchase them. So they are available if you wish to.

4 MR. TORGERSON: Now are we bound by state procurement?

5 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: I think the best answer is yes.
6 And we've gone through the state procurement office to make
7 sure that our procurements were consistent with -- with that.
8 And I've included in the memo -- we've included some of the
9 procurement rules that you'll be following. But they're --
10 sometimes they are burdensome and sometimes they're simple
11 depending on what you're doing and.....

12 MR. TORGERSON: Well, it depends on who you have
13 helping you.

14 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: That's true.

15 MR. TORGERSON: Ultimate -- if you have a good admin
16 person that understands the state procurement code.....

17 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: Yes.

18 MR. TORGERSON:it's.....

19 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: A lot of the.....

20 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER: For the most part, you're
21 working through Linda Perez's office.....

22 MR. TORGERSON: Yeah.

23 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER:and Shawn Henderson.

24 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: And Shawn Henderson.

25 MR. TORGERSON: Linda's.....

1 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: Yeah.

2 MR. TORGERSON: Linda's good.

3 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER: And Shawn Henderson.
4 That's who you're working with.

5 MR. TORGERSON: But I mean, if you look at the breadth
6 of professional help that we're going to have to procure for
7 this and the value of those contracts, it's not as simple as
8 just going over a contract to.....

9 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER: Well, with Dr.
10 Handley.....

11 MR. TORGERSON: Yeah.

12 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER:we were able to do
13 (indiscernible) particular expertise.

14 MR. MILLER: And it was a small.....

15 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER: Yeah, it was a.....

16 MR. MILLER:relatively small amount too.

17 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER:small contract. And
18 then -- but, you know, there was a very particular need and
19 there was a very limited date to choose from.

20 MR. MILLER: And this budget is going through the
21 Governor's Office. So that's we.....

22 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: Right.

23 MR. MILLER:relied on Shawn Henderson who is one
24 of the best procurement officers known.

25 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER: And gratefully, the

1 information that you guys are getting is great compared to what
2 we've got as the committee. It was like pulling teeth trying
3 to find stuff, because it was handled very differently 10 years
4 ago. I mean, it was kind of put together -- that was the first
5 committee 10 years ago. There hadn't been a committee prior to
6 that. So kind of struggled trying to find all the information
7 for all the people to gather so.....

8 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: I remember well.

9 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: But some of the hardware purchases
10 will be pretty simple if they're on the state pre-approved
11 contract. And then you just look and go okay, that'll work.
12 If there are laptops on there, then you don't have to go out to
13 bid and (indiscernible).

14 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: Yeah, I'm a lot more
15 worried about the professional services.....

16 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: Yeah.

17 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER:than the nuts and
18 bolts things or, you know, it's just a matter of crunching the
19 paperwork, but when you're looking at professional services and
20 having to go out on a RFP type proposal and.....

21 MR. MILLER: But don't we have to do that with our
22 lawyer?

23 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: Yeah, I presume we will.

24 MR. MILLER: And then I would guess you would.

25 MS. KEITH: Yeah, we had to put in an RFP out on the

1 software. We only had one respondent.

2 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: But for hiring -- like with Dr.
3 Handley, there's an exception in the procurement code for
4 people who are going to be providing expert testimony in court,
5 which she'll be doing. But Shawn Henderson can help navigate
6 through. And when you're hiring a lawyer, it's not the same as
7 hiring software where the lowest bid always wins. There are
8 different procedures for those types of things. In some areas
9 you have more discretion than others. Not a lot of discretion
10 in going out for software, but a lot more discretion in terms
11 of hiring professional staff. But again, the Governor's Office
12 and Shawn Henderson can help with all those types of decisions.

13 MS. GREENE: Doug?

14 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: Yes.

15 MS. GREENE: This is Marie. With all what you just
16 shared with us, then what would -- how soon would we need to
17 like put in place a chairman, you know, getting the executive --
18 hiring the executive director. What's the time line here we
19 should be.....

20 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: The sooner the better. I know many
21 of you are going outside in the next -- I guess it's next -- is
22 it next week or the week after?

23 MS. GREENE: Week after.

24 MR. MILLER: Week after.

25 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: Week after. I wouldn't -- I would

1 either do it here now.....

2 MS. GREENE: Okay.

3 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER:or I would do it in a meeting
4 as soon as you get back. Now I don't know if you've all looked
5 at your own schedules and figured out who you would like to be
6 chair, who has time to be chair. You could make that decision
7 now. You could think about it and come back at your next
8 meeting. You could, if you wanted to, just put a small
9 subcommittee together to find an executive director.

10 I guess one thing I would do is perhaps, and maybe I
11 can help you with this, is maybe send an email to Gordon
12 Harrison and ask, you know, what he thinks the job
13 qualifications could be for an executive director and to start
14 the process that way. But I guess at the very least I would
15 think you would want to meet right after you get back from New
16 Jersey and.....

17 MR. MILLER: Providence.

18 MR. TORGERSON: Providence.

19 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: Providence, Rhode Island. One of
20 those tiny little east coast states.

21 MR. MILLER: Get Doug out of Alaska, he's.....

22 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: That's why I said outside earlier.

23 MR. MILLER: Yeah.

24 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: I didn't remember where it was.

25 But I would want to do that as soon as you got back and get the

1 ball rolling on that.

2 MR. MILLER: I would recommend they put together an RFP
3 for legal counsel or legal services as soon as possible just to
4 see who's out there. Like I say, 10 years ago, there were only
5 two respondents and there hasn't been much redistricting work
6 in the legal profession here in the last 10 year so.....

7 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: And that is one disadvantage both
8 in terms of like the Department of Labor's expertise and
9 everybody else's when this only happens once every 10 years.
10 There's a good chance that there will be very few people around
11 who know what to do.

12 MR. MILLER: You have that plus the constitutional
13 mandate that it be independent. So I mean -- and this board,
14 even though the budget's run through the Governor's Office, is
15 an independent entity.

16 MR. TORGERSON: I'm assuming we're under PERS, our
17 employee, and it's exempt employee or is this a contract, a
18 straight-up contract?

19 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: You know, I'll have to check. I'm
20 not sure how that worked last time.

21 MR. MILLER: The legal counsel can either be a contract
22 or.....

23 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: A staff member.

24 MR. MILLER:a staff.

25 MR. TORGERSON: They're -- director of staff, are they

1 a contractor or.....

2 MR. MILLER: There's -- all we know they were salaried.
3 So.....

4 MR. TORGERSON: I tried to get some of that information
5 from the Governor's Office. And Linda's on vacation and Sunny
6 and her staff really weren't in a position to speak to it.
7 They -- other than to say those are some good questions.

8 MR. MILLER: Yeah, and they're relying on Legislative
9 Affairs for their information.....

10 MR. TORGERSON: Yeah.

11 MR. MILLER:since that's where the budget was run
12 through, leg affairs.

13 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: Ten years ago.

14 MR. MILLER: Yeah.

15 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: Well, and they -- you know
16 -- probably we're talking Pam then?

17 MR. MILLER: Linda spent a lot of time digging through
18 past records.....

19 MS. KEITH: Yeah, but the record.....

20 MR. MILLER:so I don't know what they have left.

21 MS. KEITH: The records are pretty sketchy and pretty
22 scattered and that's been the biggest problem is they were kind
23 of all over it, because -- I mean, the intent -- it only ended
24 up under Legislative Affairs last time because the legislation
25 is creating the committee.....

1 MR. MILLER: Right.

2 MS. KEITH:came into fruition pretty late in the
3 process and there was no time to get it into the Governor's
4 budget. So I think the intent always was even then that that
5 was where it was supposed to be housed. So by default, it
6 ended up under Legislative Affairs the last time.

7 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: And Gordon was an employee
8 at the time but the employees switched over. More likely
9 (indiscernible) under an extension.

10 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: Well, was Pam their admin
11 director then?

12 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: Yes, she.....

13 MR. MILLER: Uh-huh.

14 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: And she.....

15 MR. MILLER: Uh-huh.

16 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER:may recall.

17 MR. MILLER: Yeah.

18 MR. TORGERSON: Yeah. So I'll -- I can talk to her
19 and.....

20 MS. KEITH: Pam and Scarlett Scofield are the two
21 contacts over at Legislative Affairs. And there is records
22 retention. There is stuff that was retained and that's
23 something that you need to keep in mind as well there.
24 Everything will need to be documented (indiscernible).

25 MR. MILLER: Yeah, and Doug's suggestion on having a

1 meeting after Providence, you know, after you get back from
2 Providence is a pretty good idea, because the office should be
3 ready by then and you can see what office looks like. It's
4 just down the street. And while you're in Providence, please
5 don't have a meeting of more than three people to talk about
6 work.

7 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: (Indiscernible). You'll be
8 attending a national quorum.

9 MR. MILLER: Yeah.

10 (Off record)

11 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER: And the -- back to the
12 website that we talked about, the company that did the website
13 does still exist.

14 MR. MILLER: They're still around.

15 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER: It was done by a company
16 in Juneau. If you need any history as far as how the website
17 was created or what they did, but again, things can change so
18 much in 10 years.....

19 MR. MILLER: A lot of.....

20 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER:as far as the
21 website.....

22 MR. MILLER:web designers.

23 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER:goes. And that was
24 one of the hot topics at the NCSL meeting was, you know, how
25 much do you include on your website. Do you let people have

1 access to raw maps on your website. You know, what do you want
2 to do. So that would be something that you may hear about, you
3 know, that each day (indiscernible) approaching (indiscernible)
4 different one.

5 MR. MILLER: And Doug has in a memo here under Section
6 7 the archive website. It.....

7 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER: A link to the old --
8 yeah.....

9 MR. MILLER: It shows you what the.....

10 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER:to the old website.

11 MR. MILLER:old looked like. And it still has
12 some information on it. And it's -- and one of the first
13 admonitions you'll get at the Providence seminar is regardless
14 of how good your plan is, you're going to get sued.

15 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER: Right. That's the.....

16 MR. MILLER: You know, so, you know.....

17 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER:message they give
18 everybody.

19 MR. MILLER:just accept the fact there will be
20 litigation.

21 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER: And you will be sued.

22 MR. MILLER: But, you know, Alaska does have the
23 constitutional requirement that all litigation has to be
24 expedited because, you know, the aim is to have everything in
25 place before that -- the election, the filing deadline for the

1 following election.

2 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: Doug, can we start the
3 process of hiring for -- you get the qualifications, we're
4 going to need to get together to approve the qualifications or
5 how do you see that happening so we don't lose a month between
6 now and the time we get back and all of us get back together
7 again. And then we'd have another month before we'd get an
8 executive director. And I think I'd like to just have the
9 process working while we're gone, you know, come back and.....

10 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER: That's probably why you
11 should elect a chairman sooner rather than later.

12 MS. GREENE: Right. I agree.

13 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: I agree too, but I was just
14 wondering if there -- if we didn't, would that process happen
15 or -- it seems to me like the RFP -- one's an RFP and the other
16 is just a solicitation, right? Because we're hiring
17 (indiscernible).

18 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: I think so, but that's.....

19 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: (Indiscernible).

20 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER:that's -- again, I can check
21 with Shawn Henderson on the procedures for the executive
22 director and legal counsel.

23 MR. CLOUGH: Because we basically, if I understand it
24 correctly, we have -- currently have zero staff support except
25 for things like travel through the Governor's Office. And

1 until we hire an executive director, that will continue to
2 remain that way. I don't see anybody raising their hand
3 volunteering to step and fetch. I don't blame anybody for not
4 raising their hands.

5 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER: We're available for
6 questions.

7 MR. CLOUGH: Yeah.

8 MR. MILLER: Yeah.

9 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER: Okay.

10 MR. CLOUGH: Yeah, I understand that.

11 MR. MILLER: Well, actually, the committee.....

12 MR. CLOUGH: Yeah.

13 MR. MILLER:you know stayed.....

14 MR. CLOUGH: Is a great resource.

15 MR. MILLER:around.

16 MR. CLOUGH: Yeah.

17 MR. MILLER: The committee stayed around for two joint
18 meetings the last time.....

19 MR. CLOUGH: Yeah.

20 MR. MILLER:with the board. So the, you know,
21 there was a second meeting with the board to help. And I'm
22 sure any of us would be glad to help the board do whatever was
23 needed that the Governor's Office couldn't do.

24 MR. CLOUGH: Yeah. No. I mean.....

25 MR. MILLER: Yeah.

1 MR. CLOUGH:I guess in deference to those on the
2 phone, Bob, this is Al Clough. I mean, what I'm getting at is
3 until -- once we have an executive director in place, we can
4 direct the executive director to draft a RFP for legal services
5 or for consulting services.

6 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: Right.

7 MR. CLOUGH: But until we have that individual in place
8 (indiscernible) absolutely correct, we're just delaying our
9 ability to do this unless one of the -- one or five of us want
10 to sit down and start drafting RFPs. I got a pencil.

11 MR. BRODIE: So this is Bob in Kodiak. Do we need to
12 put out a proposal for an executive director and see next time
13 we meet how many people applied for the position?

14 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: I think that would work. And I --
15 like I say, I can get -- I can talk to Gordon Harrison to see
16 if he has an idea of good qualifications for the executive
17 director if -- and then if you have -- elect a chair, I can
18 forward those to the chair and then -- and we can deal then
19 with Shawn Henderson or whoever if the Governor's Office thinks
20 somebody else in personnel should do it. Yeah, send out a
21 notice and start soliciting applicants. And that could happen
22 while you're gone.

23 MR. CLOUGH: But I think there's -- I mean, we need to
24 have a firm guidance from Shawn or Linda or somebody in the
25 Governor's Office of what level of procurement we.....

1 MR. MILLER: Yes.

2 MR. CLOUGH:need to abide by to do this, because
3 the last thing I think any of us want to do is go out and have
4 something -- and award a contract and all of a sudden go
5 through the procurement protest due.....

6 MS. KEITH: Shawn was very involved.....

7 MR. CLOUGH: Yeah.

8 MS. KEITH:with our RFP. Everything had to be
9 approved with him.

10 MR. CLOUGH: Yeah.

11 MS. KEITH: Yeah. You know.....

12 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: And he actually drafts them.

13 MS. KEITH: Yeah, he actually.....

14 MR. CLOUGH: We -- well, yeah.

15 MS. KEITH:drafted them.

16 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: Right.

17 MR. CLOUGH: Yeah, but I mean, that's just -- I mean,
18 it's.....

19 MS. KEITH: No, they were very, very cognizant of
20 keeping us on the straight and narrow on what he could and
21 couldn't do.

22 MR. MILLER: He's a good procurement officer.

23 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: But I can send him an email this
24 afternoon and tell him what the board is wrestling with and
25 wanting to do and find out what procedures would be appropriate

1 for those types of hires, both counsel and executive director.

2 MR. CLOUGH: But it's been awhile since I did a state
3 procurement, a few years, but I mean, it -- depending on what
4 level you have to go through, you have a whole series of
5 deadlines that you're required to follow and you work backwards
6 from there and it's a two month process. And that's presuming
7 you don't get a protest. So if we can avoid some of those
8 things then, you know, we're in a position to have somebody
9 onboard working for us and into a fairly tight time line. I
10 think that's what John was alluring [sic] to just a minute ago.

11 MS. KEITH: Yeah, and with the software, we were able to
12 take a look at the previous RFP.....

13 MR. CLOUGH: Yeah.

14 MS. KEITH:and then decide what we needed to
15 update, change, whatever, and work from there. We at least
16 have a template to know what we're doing.

17 MR. MILLER: Well, then I wondered if we've -- should we
18 go ahead and see if we can get a chairman right now? Why don't
19 we just do that now and then get this process rolling? Anybody
20 want to be the chairman?

21 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Well, I know we have one person
22 that's expressed some interest.

23 MR. TORGERSON: I had -- just so we're (indiscernible),
24 I sent an email to the other board members saying -- I gave
25 them a little campaign speech. But I brought a bigger one.

1 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: Well, that was the lead-in, John.

2 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: It was a set-up.

3 MR. TORGERSON: Well, I think one of the bigger points I
4 made is I'm only 20 minutes away from the Anchorage -- the
5 office in Anchorage. But I am willing to do that. And I think
6 it's important that we do -- we can't let three weeks go by or
7 month without getting any of the process going. But not that
8 we couldn't do it individually, but that is a good way to do it
9 before an organized system. So I will -- was that a
10 nomination?

11 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: That was a nom.....

12 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: Are there any objections to the
13 nomination?

14 MR. CLOUGH: I wouldn't object at all and, John, I
15 appreciate you sending that notice of interest out and, you
16 know, I've mulled this over for awhile and, you know, in all
17 honesty, I had some interest in this, but I think your comment
18 about the availability of you being the one of the -- in the
19 group that's closest to where the staff and the infrastructure
20 will be is a pretty important issue. And plus, I know you --
21 know you're capable of the job, so I would certainly support
22 you in taking on that action.

23 MR. TORGERSON: Thank you.

24 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: Well, I have a motion. All in
25 favor?

1 IN UNISON: Aye.

2 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: Anybody opposed?

3 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: I heard Brodie vote, I
4 think. Did you vote, Bob?

5 MR. BRODIE: Aye.

6 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: Aye. There you are.

7 MR. BRODIE: I did.

8 MR. MILLER: A vice chairman?

9 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: Do we need.....

10 MR. BRODIE: How about Al?

11 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: Do we?

12 MR. TORGERSON: I don't know if he did last time, but I
13 don't know if it would be any harm -- you never know.

14 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: We're in charge of our own
15 destiny, right?

16 MR. TORGERSON: Yeah. I -- well, I nominate Al being
17 the vice chairman. How's that?

18 MR. CLOUGH: If it would please the group, I would.....

19 MR. TORGERSON: What if something happens to you?

20 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: Well, you never know.

21 MR. TORGERSON: You just never know.

22 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: I don't think it's a bad
23 idea, but I don't.....

24 MR. CLOUGH: You know, I would speak to that. I'm just
25 saying, you know, with some of our admin people down -- with

1 the Governor's Office in part down in Juneau, that might help
2 working with them to have a little bit of letter clout.

3 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: Okay. So the motion is Al is vice
4 chair.

5 MS. KEITH: Vice chair.

6 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: All in favor?

7 IN UNISON: Aye.

8 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: Any opposed?

9 (No audible responses)

10 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: No. Okay. You're the new vice
11 chair and (indiscernible) you're the chair.

12 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER: Thank you.

13 MR. CLOUGH: Now we get laptops.

14 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: Well, what I'll do when this meeting
15 is over is send an email to Shawn and ask -- and explain the
16 hires we want to make and ask what the procedures will be to do
17 that. And then I can send those to you and I will check with --
18 see if Gordon Harrison is around for his input on what might
19 be good qualifications for an executive director based on his
20 experience.

21 MR. TORGERSON: Well, we need to find out if they're
22 state employees and what level of benefits (indiscernible).
23 Maybe Gordon would know. I mean, that's (indiscernible).

24 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: He may recall.

25 MR. TORGERSON: He may -- well, he should. As far as

1 his retirement, he can check, but that would be good to know
2 (indiscernible) proper procurement (indiscernible).

3 MR. CLOUGH: Yeah, I mean, that would be a huge
4 difference and Will may or may not even apply. I mean.....

5 MR. TORGERSON: Well, it would -- it'll affect the
6 compensation, right?

7 MR. CLOUGH: Yeah.

8 MR. TORGERSON: 85,000 without benefits or a 110.....

9 MR. CLOUGH: Yeah.

10 MR. TORGERSON:or, I mean, the other way around.

11 MR. CLOUGH: Yeah.

12 MR. TORGERSON: 85 with benefits or.....

13 MR. CLOUGH: Right.

14 MR. TORGERSON: I don't know what a 25G is, which is
15 what they paid back then, but.....

16 MR. CLOUGH: It's -- you're looking at close to six
17 figures now.

18 MR. TORGERSON: Yeah.

19 MR. CLOUGH: And, you know, and that would -- you know,
20 if it's a PERS position and there's somebody out there that was
21 interested in acquiring another couple of years of PERS time on
22 previous government employment, that would certainly sweeten
23 the.....

24 MR. TORGERSON: Sweeten the pot.

25 MR. CLOUGH:the pot for them. If it isn't, then

1 that's not wrong, but that's a whole different scenario.

2 MR. TORGERSON: The other thing you mentioned here,
3 Doug, is you got to get IT (indiscernible) the computers. Is
4 that being done or do we need to find somebody? Or is that
5 what you were talking about? Sort of bringing your person up.

6

7 MS. KEITH: Act -- we wouldn't actually set up all the
8 hardware. And though there is a company whose name now escapes
9 me, located in Anchorage, Alaska IT, that's on the state
10 contract, that they can do that.

11 MR. TORGERSON: We don't need to bid that out, we just
12 need to ask him when to do this.

13 MR. CLOUGH: Where is all this stuff sitting right now?

14 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: I don't know. Does anybody know
15 where.....

16 MS. KEITH: No, I don't know the answer to that either.

17 MR. MILLER: Mr. Chairman. The procurement office
18 probably has.....

19 MR. CLOUGH: Yeah. I just -- I talked to Robin Paul
20 awhile back and she just was commenting that they had ordered
21 all this neat stuff for us. Oh, great. What are we going to
22 do with it.

23 MS. KEITH: We were encouraged to use as much --
24 whatever's required with.....

25 MR. CLOUGH: Yeah.

1 MS. KEITH:the IT folk. (Indiscernible).

2 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: Okay.

3 MR. CLOUGH: But maybe.....

4 MS. KEITH: Woodlatch rather.

5 MR. CLOUGH: You're right.

6 MS. KEITH: It didn't roll over.....

7 MR. CLOUGH: Okay. Thank you.

8 MS. KEITH:so they asked us to (indiscernible) as
9 much as 2010 money as possible to purchase the software.

10 MR. TORGERSON: I wonder if the board would consider
11 giving me as the chairman the authority to get Alaska IT in.
12 I'm assuming there will be a contract to sign (indiscernible)
13 and get that done between now and our next meeting. But would
14 that require board action? It probably should.

15 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: I suppose unless they delegate to
16 you the authority to do it.

17 MR. TORGERSON: Well, that's what I'm.....

18 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: Yeah.

19 MR. TORGERSON:suggesting is that.....

20 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: Yeah.

21 MR. TORGERSON:maybe somebody would give me the
22 authority to sign off on that.

23 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER: And Shawn Henderson might
24 be able to give you.....

25 MR. MILLER: Yeah.

1 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER:some information on
2 that too, because if Alaska IT is on the state list.....

3 MS. KEITH: Right. It's a ta -- what's called a task
4 order which we can help you write.

5 MR. TORGERSON: I understand that.

6 MR. CLOUGH: But we all realize you need to do that.

7 MS. KEITH: Yeah.

8 MR. TORGERSON: I was worried about making sure
9 that.....

10 MR. CLOUGH: Yeah.

11 MR. TORGERSON:I have board authority to be the
12 guy to sign it or is that automatic. That's a -- I don't.....

13 MR. CLOUGH: I wouldn't certainly think it's a -- would
14 certainly expect you to be able to exercise your discretion in
15 getting the office set up and running from a fiscal standpoint.

16 MR. TORGERSON: Maybe I should ask, are votes by email
17 all right with this board or do we have to make an action to
18 make that okay?

19 MS. GREENE: I think we ought to do it now if we're
20 comfortable with (indiscernible).....

21 MR. TORGERSON: Well, I do too.

22 MS. GREENE:chair.

23 MR. TORGERSON: I do, but I'm just -- a bigger issue is
24 if something came up that.....

25 MS. GREENE: Oh, I see.

1 MR. TORGERSON: The reason I don't know -- there's no
2 directions from the last committee on what the board chairman
3 or the executive director signed off on. Is it contracts under
4 5,000, 25,000 without board approval? What? I don't know. Or
5 would we worry about it? Have to worry about it.

6 MR. CLOUGH: You have to worry about it just so you
7 don't run out of money.

8 MR. CLOUGH: Yeah, you have to (indiscernible).

9 MR. TORGERSON: Well, at this point if -- I think with --
10 well, you're chairing this, but.....

11 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: Well, for actions, I think board
12 specific actions you can chair.

13 MS. KEITH: Yeah.

14 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: So if there's a motion you need from
15 your board.....

16 MR. TORGERSON: Well, I think I would entertain a motion
17 to authorize the chair to enter in the contract with Alaska IT
18 to get our office hooked up.

19 MS. GREENE: I move.

20 MR. CLOUGH: Yeah, I would second that.

21 MR. TORGERSON: Are you keeping notes for the minutes?

22 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: I'm making scribblings.

23 MR. TORGERSON: Kind of half-assed minutes.

24 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: Yeah, we're recorded too.

25 MR. TORGERSON: Now that's another procedural thing

1 before we vote. Are we under Mason's or Robert's?

2 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: Last time they operated -- well,
3 actually, I was going back through the minutes of their first
4 meeting. They decided not to adopt formal rules of procedure.
5 But what they were learning towards, before they decided not to
6 do anything, was Robert's.

7 MR. TORGERSON: I missed that conversation. Why would
8 they do that?

9 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: I.....

10 MR. TORGERSON: I can see the one part, because every
11 member has a voice and you want to listen to that voice instead
12 of having it stymied by not having a second, if that's your
13 primary difference.

14 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER: Oh, okay.

15 MR. TORGERSON: It seems like under procedural things
16 that you would want to require a second -- or maybe not.

17 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: You can do what you want. By the
18 way, I think last time -- I was looking back just earlier this
19 morning to the minutes of their first meeting or their second
20 meeting, they decided not to adopt any formal rules.

21 MR. TORGERSON: Well, maybe just for the matter of this,
22 the.....

23 MR. CLOUGH: John's the second to Marie's motion to.....

24 MR. TORGERSON: Yes.

25 MS. GREENE: Yeah. (Indiscernible).

1 MR. TORGERSON: Thank you, Al. But just so we're done
2 with that. Any other discussion on the motion? All in favor
3 of the motion, signify by saying aye.

4 IN UNISON: Aye.

5 MR. TORGERSON: Bob?

6 MR. MILLER: I think we lost him.

7 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: I think we lost him.

8 MS. KEITH: Somebody clicked off.

9 MR. CLOUGH: Somebody just clicked off on got clicked
10 off.

11 MR. BRODIE: No, I just put it on mute so you couldn't
12 hear me rustling papers here. Sometimes that's annoying,
13 but.....

14 MR. TORGERSON: You okay with the motion, Bob?

15 MR. BRODIE: Well, I was listening. There must have
16 been some reason why I think we're still talking about what
17 kind of parliamentary rules. Not everybody understands Mason's
18 and Robert's seems the most simple. But was there a specific
19 reason they chose to adopt none? So.....

20 MR. TORGERSON: Well, at this point, I made an executive
21 decision to postpone that discussion until we're a little more
22 familiar with where we're at and what we're doing.

23 MR. BRODIE: Okay.

24 MR. TORGERSON: So we're back to the main motion and I
25 did ask for a second just so we were covered. And that was to

1 authorize me to sign off on the IT -- Alaska IT group work
2 order to establish our office computer hookups.

3 MR. BRODIE: Okay. And if you're looking for a second,
4 I'll second. Otherwise.....

5 MR. TORGERSON: Oh, just whether or not you had any more
6 discussion or are in favor of it. Sounds like you're.....

7 MR. BRODIE: In favor. Yes.

8 MR. TORGERSON: So that will pass 5-0. Thank you.
9 Thank you.

10 MR. CLOUGH: John, in regards to your comment on email
11 votes and things, I guess my feeling would be if no member
12 objects to it, that I would be find with email votes for any
13 number of perfunctory chores we have. And I can't give you an
14 example right now, but there probably are things out there that
15 I -- that would come up that I would personally say no. Maybe
16 we ought to be looking at each other when we debate this one.

17 MR. TORGERSON: Well, and I agree with that. I would
18 not suggest that we would do it for anything.....

19 MR. CLOUGH: Yes.

20 MR. TORGERSON:to do with the actual redistricting
21 itself.....

22 MR. CLOUGH: Yeah.

23 MR. TORGERSON:(indiscernible). For chairman
24 purposes, (indiscernible).....

25 MR. CLOUGH: Yeah, that run of the mill business, the

1 simpler we can make it. I know everybody -- I know I'm busy
2 and I presume everybody else is as well and we certainly.....

3 MR. TORGERSON: But we know we can do it telephonically.

4 MR. CLOUGH: Yeah.

5 MR. TORGERSON: Just email always seems to be an iffy
6 situation. So.....

7 MR. CLOUGH: Until somebody tells us we can't?

8 MR. TORGERSON: No, I saw Doug write a note. So maybe
9 he's going to.....

10 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: I don't know the answer to your
11 question about whether.....

12 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER: Well, and once you hire an
13 executive director.....

14 MR. TORGERSON: Yeah, we can figure.....

15 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER:that director is
16 going to be doing more of this kind of.....

17 MR. TORGERSON: Okay. We won't -- yeah, a lot of that
18 will just be.....

19 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER: Yeah.

20 MR. TORGERSON:done, because there isn't -- there
21 isn't going to be a whole lot of (indiscernible). I wouldn't
22 think that there's.....

23 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: But all those emails would
24 be discoverable though.

25 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER: Uh-huh.

1 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: So that's going to be.....

2 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: That's right.

3 MR. TORGERSON: Yeah.

4 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER:(indiscernible).

5 MR. TORGERSON: Exactly.

6 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: Yeah.

7 MR. MILLER: One -- Doug, one thing we should check on
8 -- I mean, besides the status of the work on the office is what
9 furniture is available here in surplus Department of
10 Administration can grab and put into those offices.

11 MR. TORGERSON: I may walk over after this just to see
12 where we're at. (Phone ringing) Hello? So as Doug mentioned
13 and I will point out again, we're exempt because we're
14 attending a national meeting back in NCSL as long as we do no
15 business.

16 MR. MILLER: Exactly.

17 MR. TORGERSON: So more than three -- or more than the
18 majority of the board can be together.

19 MR. MILLER: Yeah.

20 MR. TORGERSON: Is everybody going to Rhode Island?

21 MS. GREENE: I'm going.

22 MR. CLOUGH: Jim, are you going? I know -- Bob, you're
23 going, is that right? Got it muted again.

24 MR. BRODIE: That's correct.

25 MR. TORGERSON: All right. And, Al, you're not or.....

1 MR. CLOUGH: No, I am.

2 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: All five us. All five of us
3 are going.

4 MR. MILLER: Yeah, you can talk about everything except
5 board business.

6 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: No, it will probably be
7 fishing, but things we always talk about.

8 MR. MILLER: Sounds good. Well, I think all of the
9 committee members that have been to those seminars would
10 recommend that as many of the board members go to the session
11 on software as possible.

12 MR. TORGERSON: I'm flying all night just to do that.

13 MR. MILLER: Uh-huh.

14 MS. KEITH: Yeah.

15 MR. TORGERSON: I hope I can stay awake.

16 MR. MILLER: Yeah. Yeah.

17 MR. TORGERSON: I assume our vendor is there.

18 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER: Yeah. Yeah. Vendor is
19 there.

20 MR. TORGERSON: And you read today who it was, right?

21 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER: And now that we have a
22 specific vendor, you don't have to worry about trying to cover
23 both of them which were the problems that we had.....

24 MR. MILLER: Right.

25 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER:when went before we

1 picked the software, because what they tended to do was they
2 brand them at the same time into vendor presentations. So it
3 made it look (indiscernible).

4 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: If you have your calendars, it might
5 not be a bad idea to try to set up your next meeting now.

6 MR. TORGERSON: Be a good idea. I didn't bring mine
7 with me up here. Mondays work best for me. Is that.....

8 MR. HOLM: Well, Mondays are fine for me, John, except
9 I'm going to be out of town until the 13th of.....

10 MR. TORGERSON: October?

11 MR. HOLM:October.

12 MR. CLOUGH: Yeah, I'm out of town until the whatever
13 that weekend is after, just like the 18th or something.

14 MR. HOLM: Yeah.

15 MR. CLOUGH: But then who's got a calendar?

16 MS. GREENE: The 18th is a Monday here.

17 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER: October 20.....

18 MR. CLOUGH: Is 18th -- yeah, I can meet on that Monday,
19 whatever that Monday is, 18th or 19th.

20 MR. TORGERSON: 18th or 19th.

21 MS. GREENE: 18th is a Monday.

22 MR. TORGERSON: 18th is Monday? Yeah, are you back on
23 the 18th?

24 MR. CLOUGH: Yeah, I get back to Juneau actually on the
25 16th, I think.

1 MR. MILLER: So the 18th would be a good one for me.

2 MR. CLOUGH: The 18th would work for me. We'd have the
3 office.

4 MR. MILLER: How about you, Bob?

5 MR. BRODIE: Sounds as good as any to me.

6 MR. TORGERSON: Okay. It's all right with me. You can
7 set that date. It sounds like that everyone is in agreeance
8 with that. And that would be at our -- at our office at
9 Sunshine Mall, post office mall. What ever happened to that
10 post office?

11 MR. MILLER: It's next -- it's still there.

12 MR. TORGERSON: Is it the same thing?

13 MR. MILLER: No.

14 MR. TORGERSON: No, apparently not.

15 MR. CLOUGH: But that's all on Fourth?

16 MR. MILLER: Yes.

17 MR. HOLM: Yeah.

18 MR. TORGERSON: This.....

19 MR. MILLER: This way.

20 MS. GREENE: It's right down.....

21 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: It'S down four blocks, isn't
22 it?

23 MR. TORGERSON: Yeah. Yeah, that's not very far down.
24 So that will be the first look at our offices.

25 MR. HOLM: What time would you like to meet? 10:00?

1 That work? What's your flight?

2 MR. TORGERSON: Well, I'm thinking more of Al and.....

3 MR. CLOUGH: Juneau plane gets in at 9:15 or 9:00.....

4 MR. TORGERSON: Yeah.

5 MR. CLOUGH: Gets in at 9:30 so.....

6 MR. MILLER: What about the Kodiak flight?

7 MR. CLOUGH: I don't know about Kodiak flight.

8 MR. BRODIE: I think the jet leaves here about 8:45,
9 8:30. So 10:00 o'clock would be right close to when I can get
10 there.

11 MR. TORGERSON: What I'm thinking is a possibility it
12 could be a very long meeting or it might even stretch into two
13 days. If we.....

14 MR. MILLER: Yeah.

15 MR. TORGERSON:have executive directors to
16 interview and law firms to interview. And we don't know that,
17 but we want to have all the details back so that we could make
18 that -- that's where we would hire or like to hire that day or
19 the next day, yeah. Particularly, the executive director.
20 It's actually a little bit too -- farther out than what I'd
21 like to see it. It's almost a month and a half.

22 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER: So it would make that a
23 full day's meeting then? I'm already committed for the 19th.

24 MR. WOOLIVER: Well, certainly if we can get it.....

25 MR. TORGERSON: Well, then we should meet as early as we

1 can on.....

2 MR. CLOUGH: Yeah.

3 MR. TORGERSON:the morning or on the 18th.

4 So.....

5 MR. CLOUGH: 10:00 o'clock?

6 MR. TORGERSON: 10:00 o'clock's fine. We -- and if it
7 changes or if we need to do something, I'm just going to have
8 to fly in.....

9 MR. CLOUGH: Yeah, and I can.....

10 MR. TORGERSON:Sunday and then (indiscernible) or
11 something.

12 MS. GREENE: Yeah.

13 MR. TORGERSON: Because I wouldn't have a clue how many
14 we're going to have to interview. Of course, we will send that
15 information out, the resumes. And we can all kind of
16 predetermine or look at it and have the favorites but still
17 want to do some face-to-face interviews throughout the day. So
18 10:00 a.m. it is.....

19 MS. GREENE: Okay.

20 MR. TORGERSON:for right now. And I -- if we need
21 to come in Sunday night, then I'll -- you can tell everybody at
22 least a week before (indiscernible).

23 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: And I will -- for this meeting, I'll
24 contact the Governor's Office to post that -- your next
25 (indiscernible).

1 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: (Indiscernible) state
2 holiday.

3 MR. TORGERSON: For the.....

4 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: Oh, is this?

5 MS. GREENE: Is it?

6 MR. TORGERSON: The public notice you're talking about?

7 MR. MILLER: Okay.

8 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: The 18th is a state holiday.

9 MR. TORGERSON: Oh, the 18th is a state holiday? Alaska
10 Day. Well, it doesn't phase me right now.

11 MR. MILLER: Yeah.

12 MR. TORGERSON: I mean I'm -- that doesn't bother me.

13 MS. GREENE: Me neither.

14 MR. CLOUGH: Doesn't bother me. Bob, does the 18th, if
15 it's a state holiday bother you?

16 MR. BRODIE: What's the holiday?

17 MR. HOLM: Alaska Day, isn't it?

18 MR. TORGERSON: Alaska Day.

19 MR. CLOUGH: We'll wear our flag pins.

20 MR. MILLER: Yeah.

21 MR. CLOUGH: I'll sing the Alaska flag song.

22 MR. HOLM: I'll sing with you. Sing together.

23 MS. GREENE: No, let him sing.

24 MR. TORGERSON: Don't let him sing or let him?

25 MS. GREENE: No, let him sing.

1 MR. TORGERSON: Let him sing. I need to know. Okay.
2 So that's probably fine with us.

3 MR. CLOUGH: Yeah, if we can find out, you know,
4 (indiscernible) looks like we need a, you know, a full day,
5 it's easy enough to come -- for me to -- I don't know about --
6 again, I don't know about out of Kodiak, but Juneau there's
7 that night flight Sunday night, so it's.....

8 MR. TORGERSON: Yeah, Fairbanks is the same.

9 MR. BRODIE: If it's necessary, I can come over Sunday
10 evening to.....

11 MR. TORGERSON: Okay.

12 MR. BRODIE:get started early.

13 MR. TORGERSON: And that's what we were talking about
14 then, start out early Monday morning. It just -- I think that
15 it might work out all right. It gives us plenty of time to
16 advertise -- we'll probably have to ask for short time any way,
17 because I think they like to put everything out for three weeks
18 to a month if they advertise, but we'll try for -- by the time
19 we get it written and everything, two weeks is all we want to
20 publicize it and then have it close out sometime before that
21 and go through the (indiscernible). But that should work fine.

22 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: So do you want to change your start
23 time to 8:00 or not yet?

24 MR. TORGERSON: Not yet.

25 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: Okay.

1 MR. HOLM: John, when.....

2 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: We're thinking -- excuse me.
3 You're thinking of the public notice, aren't you?

4 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: Yeah.

5 MR. TORGERSON: Well, we don't have -- we have to
6 publish that. Well, I don't know.....

7 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: Well, you got time to change it.

8 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: Yeah, we got time.

9 MS. GREENE: You can change it.

10 MR. TORGERSON: Go ahead, Jim.

11 MR. HOLM: Oh, I'm just wondering. He mentioned earlier
12 that there was compensation. Are we supposed to take care of
13 that now or should we do that now or should we do that
14 privately? Should we do that -- do we want to think about that
15 before that other meeting or.....

16 MR. TORGERSON: I.....

17 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: There's some good information
18 available on paying city council and the chairman from that
19 city in California, I think.

20 (Laughter)

21 MR. HOLM: Hey, I just came back from San Diego and the
22 police chief retired at \$187,000 a year.

23 MR. TORGERSON: I was looking for the 800,000 city
24 manager job.

25 MR. HOLM: Well, that -- yeah, that was --that was

1 (indiscernible).

2 MR. TORGERSON: You know, when I reviewed that, I -- and
3 actually, I made a few calls. The thing that bothered me the
4 most was it said per meeting. And we'll probably be in
5 situations where we may not be -- I mean, individually
6 traveling or doing other things that aren't meetings. And I
7 had a little issue with that because it was so defined as per
8 -- \$200 per meeting. But there's other travel and other things
9 involved. So that was the only thing I was thinking we need --
10 and I understood they changed that last (indiscernible) -- the
11 last board changed it too, but it just didn't work. But
12 anyway, I don't care. I'm open to any kind of discussion. If
13 you want to discuss it now or think about it or whatever.

14 MR. HOLM: Well, I'd suggest we think about it until our
15 next meeting and then be one of the issues which we should
16 probably should deal with.

17 MR. CLOUGH: Yeah, and that would -- I mean, I've given
18 some thought to this as well and I think your comment about,
19 you know, just being compensated at a formal meeting is a
20 little disingenuous for the time that's going to be required.
21 But obviously, there's a budget that has to be dealt with. And
22 I would be happy to have the discussion at that 18th meeting.
23 But we need to resolve it at that time.....

24 MR. HOLM: Yeah, we need -- yeah.

25 MR. CLOUGH:because there's.....

1 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: Yeah, before we get too deep
2 into (indiscernible).

3 MR. TORGERSON: There's also a piece that one of the
4 gals in the Governor's Office, travel, said that we're not
5 eligible for per diem unless we're gone 12 hours. But, you
6 know, that doesn't necessarily seem exactly right either. I
7 mean, it used to be if you're gone over a meal you were
8 eligible for that meal. You might be somewhere for four hours
9 a day.

10 MS. KEITH: I.....

11 MR. TORGERSON: I know you, Brynn.

12 MS. KEITH: I've been the one who's (indiscernible).

13 MR. TORGERSON: And you're not a member of the
14 committee.

15 MS. KEITH: Right. No. I couldn't get per diem.

16 MR. TORGERSON: Well, and I -- I'm not sure that that is
17 something -- it's just something you want to think about. If
18 we have a day meeting and we're gone 11 hours and 59 minutes,
19 we're not entitled to breakfast, lunch and dinners or
20 reimbursement. I'm just not sure that's.....

21 MS. KEITH: Yeah, and the legislature has been the only
22 one who takes the stance that if you go -- and it's new that
23 you go (indiscernible) no matter how.....

24 MR. TORGERSON: It used to be four hours, but even
25 that.....

1 MS. KEITH: No, they changed it.

2 MR. TORGERSON:when you drive in from the Valley
3 when I was running agriculture, I wouldn't get per diem to come
4 in. You had to have lunch to do everything, but it was on my
5 own because I wasn't gone four hours.

6 MR. CLOUGH: TSA won't let me carry my lunch on the
7 airplane.

8 MS. KEITH: Well, I am. That's the -- part of the
9 argument.

10 MR. TORGERSON: Well, this is another piece that I
11 think.....

12 MS. KEITH: Yeah.

13 MR. TORGERSON:it's just a simple thing that....

14 MR. CLOUGH: They make you eat your sandwich.

15 MR. TORGERSON: Most everybody is going to be security,
16 you know, a couple of hours in flight anyway except for myself.
17 I like to drive more than I do fly, so I do drive up. It's
18 actually cheaper if I drive up. Anyway, that's neither here or
19 there.

20 MR. CLOUGH: But yeah, I think if we can look to
21 resolve.....

22 MR. TORGERSON: Yeah.

23 MR. CLOUGH:these issues at that meeting, I don't
24 have a problem sitting on it until then, I'm sure every one of
25 us is already racking some expenses and would like to be

1 compensated today.

2 MR. MILLER: Give me a chance to see what other boards
3 are paid, railroad board, university regents and.....

4 MR. CLOUGH: Yeah.

5 MR. MILLER:all the other boards around -- that
6 are on the state system. Just don't look at the AIDA board,
7 because they only pay a hundred dollars a day.

8 MR. TORGERSON: Except for the state employees.

9 MR. HOLM: How about the GEA board?

10 MR. MILLER: Oh, yeah.

11 MR. TORGERSON: Yeah, but AIDA board changes because
12 it's a private sector.

13 MR. MILLER: OH.

14 MR. TORGERSON: Five members of the private sector.
15 That was a good bill. (Indiscernible) change the philosophy
16 (indiscernible) business (indiscernible). Anything else?

17 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: I don't have anything else. Do
18 anybody on line have any other comments?

19 MR. CLOUGH: Before we close out, did any -- did
20 everybody look at their published addresses and see if there is
21 -- I know there was a mistake in mine. The prefix for my home
22 phone is 586, not 589.

23 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: And email is probably --
24 addresses the most important.

25 MR. CLOUGH: Yeah.

1 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: Well, I've received stuff so far.
2 MR. HOLM: I'll give you my cell.
3 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: Okay.
4 MR. HOLM: My cell is 907-388-3757.
5 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: 3757?
6 MR. HOLM: Right.
7 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: And that email.....
8 MR. HOLM: Did you get that, Bob?
9 MR. BRODIE: Hello?
10 MR. HOLM: Yeah, Jim Holm. My cell number is 388-3757.
11 MR. BRODIE: Okay.
12 MR. HOLM: Dan (Indiscernible) knows it.
13 MR. BRODIE: Yeah, Don's out -- Dan's out fishing. I
14 expect him back any day now.
15 MR. HOLM: I bet he is.
16 MR. BRODIE: Inside -- it looks like the inside of a
17 pillow case around here today. We have over a week of nice
18 weather, but 2:00 o'clock in the morning the fog rolled in and
19 it sucked everything completely down.
20 MR. TORGERSON: Wow.
21 MR. CLOUGH: So Bob, you're coming down to Juneau
22 tonight for the realtor's convention?
23 MR. BRODIE: I am. I'm due -- I'm leaving on the 4:30
24 plane.
25 MR. CLOUGH: Okay. Linda and I will have your packet

1 out at the airport, because I think we're all going down on the
2 same flights. And I -- you can either catch up with us in the
3 boardroom out there. And if I don't see, I'll get it to
4 PeggyAnn McConnochie for you.

5 MR. BRODIE: Thank you very much.

6 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: I'll give you his packet.

7 MR. TORGERSON: Oh, okay. There's one here too,
8 but.....

9 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: Okay.

10 MR. TORGERSON: A spare one sort of. One question,
11 Doug. Now Mr. Miller mentioned you might be coming to our
12 meeting for the next couple months. Are you going to disband
13 or is it officially into our realm of the board for the
14 day-to-day things?

15 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: Well, what I was thinking was we
16 will officially disband, but unofficially still be available to
17 help. And like I say, I will talk to Shawn about procurement
18 process and I'll talk to the Governor's Office about scheduling
19 your next meeting. I'll try to come to your next meeting, but
20 from now on it'll be your meeting.

21 MS. GREENE: They don't want us eating into your budget.

22 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: Yeah, I think it would be
23 very helpful to have somebody who was involved in this in the
24 past to help us kind of get off the training wheels.

25 MR. WOOLIVER: And in terms of, you know, this was where

1 -- I was on this planning committee 10 years ago as well. And
2 -- but this was also where our involvement ended. And from
3 here on out, it's -- past board members -- and I think I
4 included in your information -- or if I didn't, I can, who the
5 past board members are if you don't know anyway -- and Gordon
6 Harrison. And those would be some really great resources to
7 rely on and just talk to them about how the process worked,
8 what they would do differently, where they felt time crunches
9 and.....

10 MR. TORGERSON: What I would like is that possibly since
11 Gordon is not going to apply, but not this next meeting, but
12 the following meeting maybe just sending an (indiscernible) him
13 up and spend some time with us (indiscernible) formulate
14 questions. We'll be more familiar after the Rhode Island
15 training. And if we had any -- (indiscernible) type of
16 questions (indiscernible). But he has a great presentation if
17 you haven't seen him. What happened (indiscernible) gave at
18 the (indiscernible).

19 MS. HAY: And I have that.....

20 MR. HOLM: Linda has that.

21 MS. HAY:you know.

22 MR. HOLM: She can send that too.

23 MS. HAY: Yeah, I can send that.

24 MR. TORGERSON: That's a real presentation.

25 MS. HAY: And also I have the PDF version of the NCSL

1 directory that they put out. You'll probably get hard copies
2 when you go to the meeting, but I have it available. I gave
3 you the link (indiscernible).

4 MR. HOLM: It's the redistricting law.....

5 MS. HAY: Yeah.

6 MR. HOLM:of 2010. There are two attachments in
7 your binder from Gordon. One is the chapter on reapportion --
8 or redistricting from The Citizen's Guide to the Constitution
9 that Gordon wrote and the other is a law review article that he
10 wrote. Now the law review article, he recommends that a
11 different process be adopted in the state than what we have
12 now, but it was included to give you the background on the last
13 redistricting, the court cases, just how things transpired.

14 MR. TORGERSON: Yeah, I read both of those. I didn't
15 really agree with some of them. (Indiscernible).

16 MS. HAY: But you have our email addresses and you know
17 how to contact all of us.

18 MR. TORGERSON: We do get extra (indiscernible).

19 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: Yes.

20 MR. TORGERSON: But in this case it's eight months. But
21 -- and I guess it wasn't eight. It's six months. June to
22 January before we got (indiscernible). One of the -- last time
23 the biggest -- they didn't have a plan until May 24th when the
24 court finally signed off on it. The filing deadline for house
25 and senate was June.....

1 MR. MILLER: June 1st.

2 MR. TORGERSON: It's seven days. So if anything, we
3 ought to have (indiscernible) done a tad bit earlier than seven
4 days. Although, I know the preliminary was out there. The
5 majority of areas knew where they were at and that they weren't
6 subject to -- they had already been written off by the court
7 (indiscernible).

8 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: It's a very tight time line. And,
9 you know, in some redistrictings in the past, there was a
10 temporary plan in the work in place for an election and it's
11 not finalized until after that.

12 MR. TORGERSON: So it's litigated right?

13 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: Yeah, well.....

14 MR. TORGERSON: You know what I mean?

15 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER:sometimes the litigation takes
16 a -- yeah, it drags on....

17 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: Takes a long time.

18 MR. TORGERSON: I think our record up here is five and a
19 half years. But not underneath this (indiscernible).

20 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: Yeah, this system seems to be
21 faster.

22 MR. TORGERSON: The redistricting of 1970. It went on
23 for.....

24 MR. MILLER: Or the one during the Hickel
25 administration. That sort of precipitated.....

1 MR. TORGERSON: Yeah.

2 MR. MILLER:the constitutional amendment.

3 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: Yeah. Well, then a few
4 other things.

5 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: Okay. Well, if that's all there
6 is.....

7 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: Thank you very much,

8 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER:you'll meet again on October
9 18th and we'll send out that notice and we'll have some more
10 information for you. And with that, we're adjourned.

11 MR. BRODIE: And I guess the only question is the -- our
12 new esteemed chairman as he goes about his duty, is just going
13 to keep us kind of copied on emails and up to speed on what
14 he's up to in the interim or what do we.....

15 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: He's looking pretty
16 trustworthy.

17 MR. TORGERSON: That's just more work, Bob. We've
18 already adjourned. No, of course I'll be sending that out to
19 everybody as soon as I look it over (indiscernible). I have no
20 secrets.

21 CHAIRMAN WOOLIVER: Okay. Well, if that's it, that's
22 it. Thanks everybody.

23 (Off record)

24 (END OF PROCEEDINGS)

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