1. Roll Call

Chairman Lynn called the meeting to order at 4:02 pm with all Committee members present. (Note that due to technical difficulties, the meeting was transmitted live on the County’s YouTube channel, but not on Cox/Comcast Channel 96).

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Approval of February 17, 2022 Meeting Summary

   MOTION: Dr. Lee moved, seconded by Mr. Antenori, to approve the February 17, 2022 meeting summary. Motion approved 5-0.

4. Data Requests from February 17, 2022 Meeting

   In response to a request from Chairman Lynn, Nicole Fyffe, County Administrator’s Office, summarized the data requests and responses, which were also provided in this February 23, 2022 memo to the Committee https://webcms.pima.gov/UserFiles/Servers/Server_6/File/Government/County%20Administrator/Redistricting/RAC-Requests-3-2-22%20Meeting.pdf and are available under the data tab at www.pima.gov/countyredistricting.

   Mr. Antenori asked if the newly adjusted precincts were on PimaMaps and another County mapping platform. Erik Glenn, Pima County GIS Analyst, confirmed yes they are.

   Mr. Hecker requested data by age, which will be provided. It was suggested that this data could be provided broken out in 10 year increments.

5. Map Options 1 and 2 – Committee Discussion and Direction to Staff
Dr. Lee commented that Option 1 doesn’t go far enough in balancing the population. She submitted two maps to staff today, and clarified that they were based on changes to Option 2.

Mr. Hecker asked about how the precincts are identified on the map as moving from one district to another. Ms. Fyffe responded that those precincts outlined in blue are those moved from one district to another. The color of the precinct shows the district it moved into. From now on, staff will provide a list of precincts moved to/from each district for each map. These will also be added to the data tab on the County webpage.

Dr. Lee explained that she sent staff two maps to distribute to the Committee today, but would like to dismiss map 3 and consider map 4. Chairman Lynn notified the Committee that he will be submitting changes to Option 2 for Committee consideration. He suggested that Dr. Lee’s map be called Option 2a and his changes be called Option 2b, as both are based on changes to the Option 2 map. If other maps are created that don’t originate from Option 1 or 2, then they could be named Option 3, 4 and so on.

Mr. Hecker asked if staff could show the changes to Option 2 in a different color, so that it is easier to see how they differ. Staff agreed to try this.

Chairman Lynn asked if anyone else had changes to make or discuss today with regard to Option 1 and 2, and with no response moved on to the next agenda item.

Vice-Chair Romero requested a list of precincts moved for each map, and Ms. Fyffe said yes this would be provided to the Committee and posted on data tab on County webpage.

6. Additional Discussion and Direction for Maps and Data

As there was no additional discussion, Chairman Lynn requested that the new maps be provided to the Committee and publicly accessible as soon as possible.

7. Public Hearing

There were no requests to speak at this time. Chairman Lynn and Diana Durazo, County Administrator’s office, noted that three written comments were received and provided to the Committee. Two comments were in opposition to moving the Quail Creek subdivision from District 4 to District 2 (south of Sahuarita Precinct 84) which is proposed in the Option 2 map. One comment was in support of the Option 2 map. Dr. Lee stated that her map, which will be called Option 2a, does not move that Quail Creek/Precinct 84 into District 2.

Mr. Hecker asked if the Committee had received Chairman Lynn’s changes to Option 2. Chairman Lynn responded no, and that he would be sending them to staff after the meeting. He also stated that his changes result in a maximum population deviation of 0.44%, and were made without regard to political impact, which the
Committee can discuss after reviewing the map and data.

Ms. Fyffe noted that the original Options 1 and 2 do not move incumbents into different districts. Ms. Fyffe asked if the Committee would like to be informed when a map moves incumbents out of their district into a different district. There was general agreement that yes this information should be provided to the Committee, regardless how the Committee chooses to use the information.

Vice-Chair Romero asked Mr. Glenn if precinct numbers can be added to DistrictR and if the voter registration by party overlay in DistrictR can be shown in a different color. The answer was no, unfortunately. Chairman Lynn said the Arizona Independent Redistricting Committee used a superior mapping platform called Maptitude.

8. Future Agenda Items

The Committee discussed different dates for an additional meeting. The last scheduled meeting is on April 6. It was agreed that the Committee would add another meeting on or around April 20.

Chairman Lynn stated that because the next meeting is not until March 23, the Committee will have a lot of time to go over the map options before the meeting, and that the meeting can be dedicated to reviewing maps in detail and making changes during the meeting. In the interim, Chairman Lynn told the Committee that if they have anything they want to communicate to staff or the Committee that they do so and that staff will disseminate anything pertinent to the Committee before the March 23rd meeting.

Mr. Glenn confirmed he could have the two new versions of Option 2 on DistrictR that evening.

Mr. Antenori requested a large hard copy version of the current districts and precincts. Each of the Committee members will be provided with one.

Vice-Chair Romero thanks staff for their responsiveness and clarity.

9. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 4:43pm

For a recording of the meeting, please visit the County’s redistricting webpage at www.pima.gov/CountyRedistricting for the March 2, 2022 YouTube recording link.