

RESOLUTION ADOPTING CRITERIA
DALLAS COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REDISTRICTING 2011 PROCESS

WHEREAS, Texas Education Code section 130.0821 provides that the Dallas County Community College District (“the District”) shall be divided into single-member trustee districts; and

WHEREAS, on review of the 2010 census data, it appears that a population imbalance exists requiring redistricting of the District’s single member trustee districts; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the District to comply with the Voting Rights Act and will all other relevant law, including *Shaw v. Reno* jurisprudence; and

WHEREAS, a set of established redistricting criteria will serve as a framework to guide the District in the consideration of districting plans; and

WHEREAS, established criteria will provide the District a means by which to evaluate and measure proposed plans; and

WHEREAS, redistricting criteria will assist the District in its efforts to comply with all applicable federal and state laws;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF DALLAS COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT:

Section 1. That the Board of Trustees, in its adoption of a redistricting plan for single member trustee districts, will adhere to the following criteria:

1. Where possible, easily identifiable geographic boundaries should be followed.
2. Communities of interest should be maintained in a single district, where possible, and attempts should be made to avoid splitting neighborhoods.
3. To the extent possible, districts should be composed of whole voting precincts. Where this is not possible or practicable, districts should be drawn in a way that permits the creation of practical voting precincts and that ensures that adequate

facilities for polling places exist in each voting precinct.

4. Although it is recognized that existing districts will have to be altered to reflect new population distribution, any districting plan should, to the extent possible, be based on existing districts.
5. Districts must be configured so that they are relatively equal in total population according to the 2010 federal census. In no event should the total deviation between the largest and the smallest district exceed ten percent.
6. The districts should be compact and composed of contiguous territory. Compactness may contain a functional, as well as a geographical dimension.
7. Consideration may be given to the preservation of incumbent-constituency relations by recognition of the residence of incumbents and their history in representing certain areas.
8. The plan should be narrowly tailored to avoid retrogression in the position of racial minorities and language minorities as defined in the Voting Rights Act with respect to their effective exercise of the electoral franchise.
9. The plan should not fragment a geographically compact minority community or pack minority voters in the presence of polarized voting so as to create liability under section 2 of the Voting Rights Act, 42 U.S.C. § 1973.

The governmental body will review all plans in light of these criteria and will evaluate how well each plan conforms to the criteria.

Any plan submitted to the governmental body by a citizen for its consideration should be a complete plan—*i.e.*, it should show the full number of trustee districts and should redistrict the entire District. The governmental body may decline to consider any plan that is not a complete plan.

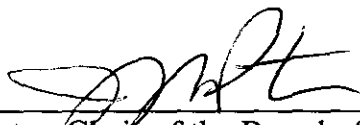

All plans submitted by citizens, as well as plans submitted by staff, consultants, and members of the governmental body should conform to these criteria.

Section 2. That this resolution is effective upon adoption by the Board of Trustees of Dallas County Community College District.

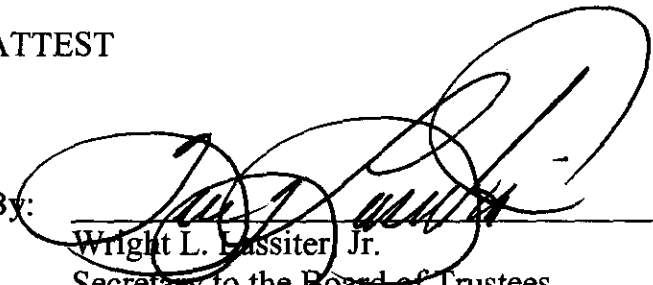
BE IT SO ORDERED.

Adopted this 5th day of April, 2011.

DALLAS COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

By:  
Jerry Prater, Chair of the Board of Trustees

ATTEST

By: 
Wright L. Fassiter Jr.
Secretary to the Board of Trustees