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Margaret Slms/EAC/GOV
05/11/2006 01:56 PM
To Tova Wang
cc
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Something is wrong in the fourth paragraph of the Federal Election Crime summary. Do you know what it is supposed to say there?

"Tova Wang" <wang@tcf.org>

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From: psims@eac.gov [mailto:psims@eac.gov]
Sent: Thursday, May 11, 2006 3:47 PM
To: 
Subject: Re: new working group representative

Dinner sounds like a great idea. Do either of you have any dietary restrictions of preferences? (I seem to recall that Tova would prefer a place that has vegetarian options). I'll try to locate a nearby place that won't bust the budget. --- Peggy
I will hear from him tomorrow but that still does not solve all of my issues---see my longer e-mail.

--- psims@eac.gov wrote:

> I had a voice mail message from him on Monday. I called him back but had
to leave a voice mail message (telephone tag). If you hear from him and
he is willing and able to come, I need to know this.
We need to have him call our travel service to make travel arrangements
ASAP. Thanks. ---
> Peggy
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>
> "Job Serebrov" 05/09/2006 10:46 AM
>
> To psims@eac.gov
> cc
> Subject Fwd: RE: Working Group meeting
>
> FYI
Patrick J. Rogers wrote:

Subject: RE: Working Group meeting
Date: Tue, 9 May 2006 07:42:44 -0600
From: "Patrick J. Rogers"
To: "Job Serebrov"

Job---maybe. I will call you and/or Ms. Sims tomorrow. Depositions all day today. Thanks, Pat

What's the best number to call you tomorrow?

Patrick J. Rogers
Modrall, Sperling, Roehl, Harris & Sisk, P.A.

-----Original Message-----
From: Job Serebrov [mailto:]
Sent: Monday, May 08, 2006 9:41 PM
To: Patrick J. Rogers
Subject: Working Group meeting

Pat:
The working group meeting for the voter fraud project is scheduled for May 18th in DC but David Norcross can't attend. Could you come? If so, we need to arrange travel and a hotel for you.

Regards,

Job

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Barbara says that you have been working it out with her assistant Valerie, that they have spoken to you several times.

---Original Message---
From: dromig@eac.gov [mailto:dromig@eac.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 02, 2006 8:46 AM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: psims@eac.gov
Subject: Voting Fraud/Voter Intimidation Project Working Group

Dear Tova,

I am working with Peggy Sims in order to set a date for the Voting Fraud/Voter Intimidation Project Working Group. I have been trying to reach Barbara Arnwine in order to find out which days in May she is potentially available to attend this meeting but all of my attempts have been unsuccessful.

I would appreciate any help that you could provide in this matter.

Sincerely,

Devon Romig
U.S. Election Assistance Commission
1225 New York Ave. NW - Suite #1100
Washington, D.C. 20005
OK, thanks. I'll get back to you with more information. — Peggy

that would be fine

----- Original Message -----
From: psims@eac.gov
To: "Weinberg and Utrecht"
Sent: Thursday, May 04, 2006 1:08 PM
Subject: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation

Barry:

It appears that the afternoon of Thursday, May 18 is best for a meeting of the working group. I know you said you would not be available in the morning that day. If we started at 1 PM, would that be too soon for you?

Peggy Sims
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email: psims@eac.gov
To: dromig@eac.gov

cc: psims@eac.gov

Subject: RE: Voting Fraud/Voter Intimidation Project Working Group

Can you please give me an idea where we are at with all this? I'd like to be able to figure out my schedule. Thanks -- and thanks for all your assistance on this. Tova

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From: dromig@eac.gov [mailto:dromig@eac.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 02, 2006 3:54 PM
To: 
Subject: RE: Voting Fraud/Voter Intimidation Project Working Group

Yes, I have spoken to her assistant several times but today has been the first time that I have ever spoken to her assistant. We did get the information that we needed. Thanks for your help!

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To: psims@eac.gov

cc: dromig@eac.gov

Subject: Re: Working Group Meeting

Sounds good. I'm available any time on Monday. Tova

----- Original Message ------
From: psims@eac.gov
To: 
Cc: dromig@eac.gov
Sent: Wednesday, May 03, 2006 1:44 PM
Subject: Working Group Meeting

Job and Tova:
As of now, the afternoon of Thursday, May 18 appears to be the best possible date for the meeting. Norcross is not available to attend in person that day (he is available only 2 days during the first three weeks of May). We won't have confirmation of the availability of Secretary Rokita until tomorrow — but I am hopeful.

I'll give you an update tomorrow. Maybe we can schedule a teleconference on Monday afternoon. --- Peggy

Job found it. I'm assuming it's too late to include so as I said I'll just present it if that's OK. Thanks again Job. T

----- Original Message ------
From: "Job Serebrov"  
To: 
Sent: Saturday, May 13, 2006 10:12 AM
Subject: Re: research summary

> T~
> > Are you talking about this?
> > J~
> > ---
> >> In the middle of the night I got the feeling that
> >> you may be right, that I did do a summary of the
> >> existing literature review (that Job, you approved)
> >> . I'll have to look for it on Monday (unless I go
> >> into the office over the weekend, which is
> >> possible). I may be hallucinating, but if not, I'll
> >> just present it at the meeting rather than try to
> >> get it to them ahead of time. Tova

Peggy--
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Craig:

I would love to have an updated list for our research files. For purposes of getting this information out to our participants, I will note that the consultants' summary is based upon information provided as of January 2006. Thanks.

Do you expect to be at your office tomorrow afternoon? I can walk over with the information packet we will have put together for the Working Group. --- Peggy

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Job:

I don't think we can put you on teleconference for 41/2 hours. We really need to have you here in person if you are to help conduct the Working Group meeting. You should make your travel arrangements ASAP.

--- Peggy

"Job Serebrov"

Peggy:

4:00 eastern on Tuesday is fine however, given the financial restrictions that you indicated would be in place for use of my car (I would actually lose money coming to DC) and given the cost of hotels at this time (I can't afford to front these costs and wait for months to be repaid), etc, it would take a miracle for this working group meeting to take place in person. It is looking like the only way it will get done is by teleconference. I also share Tova's concern about the unknown nature of Mr. Perez.

Job
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combat voter "intimidationm"

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Sent: Thu May 04 17:20:39 2006
Subject: RE: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation

It is just the Working Group for the Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation Project.
I am asking you to attend as Technical Advisor for the project. --- Peggy

"Donsanto, Craig" <Craig.Donsanto@usdoj.gov>
Peg - what is the name of the group?

From: psims@eac.gov [mailto:psims@eac.gov]
Sent: Thursday, May 04, 2006 3:13 PM
To: Donsanto, Craig
Subject: RE: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation

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This meeting is being held to obtain input from our eight-member Working Group for the project. The group is composed of election lawyers, election officials, and a representative of an advocacy group, all of whom have an interest and some expertise in the identification and/or prosecution of voting fraud and voter intimidation. The group was chosen so that we would have an equal number of folks on each side of the political spectrum, plus some nonpartisan members.

After our consultants review the results of their preliminary research (interviews, literature review, case law), we will ask the Working Group to brainstorm possible next steps for EAC. Our consultants will write a report summarizing the proposals that come out of this meeting. The report will go to the Commissioners, who will decide what they want to do, funds available, and what priority to assigned to the effort(s).

Your participation in this part of the process is extremely important, so I am very happy that you can find time for us that afternoon. I'll get an agenda and other information to you next week. --- Peggy

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05/04/2006 02:32 PM
To
psims@eac.gov
cc
Subject
RE: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation
Okay, Peg -- I will mark off the entire afternoon and try to be there. What is the agenda? I was not aware that this was anything beyond having your contractors spend another session with me. Also, if they will be needing stats and stuff like that I need to know as I will bring my state-people with me.

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Sent: Thursday, May 04, 2006 2:28 PM
To: Donsanto, Craig
Subject: Re: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation

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"Donsanto, Craig" <Craig.Donsanto@usdoj.gov>
05/03/2006 05:59 PM

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05/03/2006 11:56 AM
Karen (cc: Tom O'Neill & Laura Williams),

As we discussed, I wanted to follow up on the possibility of my attending some or all of the technical meetings concerning design and maintenance of centralized voter registration databases -- given their relationship to rules and procedures concerning provisional voting. As I recall, you mentioned that those meetings were scheduled for Monday and Tuesday, June 13 &14.

By the way, all of us at Moritz -- and I know Eagleton as well -- believed that last week's meeting at your offices was a great start to the contract, and very helpful to us. Since then, folks at Moritz and Eagleton have been working enthusiastically and smoothly together, particularly on matters relating to the June 30th meeting in New York on voter ID. The "synergy" between Eagleton and Mortiz, as we build on each other's ideas, is already proving the benefit of the partnership approach.

Thanks again for taking the time last week to lay the foundation and answer questions.
Best,

Ned

Edward B. Foley
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phone: (614) 292-4288
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Karen: I will get you the Gant Chart version early next week. Thanks for the advice on the acquisition of the database of county election officials. Has EAC explored the lists already compiled and maintained by one of the two associations of those officials?

Tom

-----Original Message-----
From: klynndyson@eac.gov
Sent: Wednesday, June 08, 2005 1:07 PM
To: [redacted]
Subject: RE: Survey of local election officials

Greetings-

I checked in with my colleagues and they agree that the best approach for you to use is to purchase a list from a commercial publisher. While the EAC has been working on such a list it is a monumental task and a difficult list to assemble and keep current.

Also, I have just reviewed your project workplan. I’d like to receive it in a GANTT chart format.

I’m having difficulty getting a sense of the timeframes and various tasks that must be accomplished; a landscape rather than horizontal format will make this easier to grasp.

Thanks

K
Karen Lynn-Dyson
Thanks, Karen.

Tom

-----Original Message-----
From: klynndyson@eac.gov [mailto:klynndyson@eac.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, June 07, 2005 2:29 PM
To: bhancock@eac.gov; bwhitener@eac.gov
Cc:
Subject: Fw: Survey of local election officials

Hey Brians-

Got an answer for me on this?

Thanks

K
Karen Lynn-Dyson
U.S. Election Assistance Commission
1225 New York Avenue, NW Suite 1100
Washington, DC 20005
tel:202-566-3123

----- Forwarded by Karen Lynn-Dyson/EAC/GOV on 06/07/2005 02:25 PM -----
Karen,

A survey of county election officials to learn their experience with provisional voting in 2004 is an important part of our research. To construct a sample of the local officials, we must begin with a complete list of all county election officials. We have reached out to the following organizations to obtain one.

International Association of Clerks, Recorders, Election Officials and Treasurers (IACREOT)

National Association of County Recorders, Election Officials and Clerks (NACRC)

National Association of County Officials (NACO)

IACREOT & NACRC do not offer their directories to non-member. Rutgers is not eligible for membership to either organization. NACO offers a list, but it includes only 695 officials, which would exclude about 2300 counties from the universe from which we will select a sample.

Does EAC have access to, or can it gain access to, a list of county election officials for all US counties?

If that is not possible, we can purchase a list from a commercial publisher (Carroll), but I don't know how regularly it is updated.

The first action step in the survey process will be to select the sample. Each official selected will receive a letter describing the study and its purpose. The actual interview will follow some days later and will be conducted by telephone.
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Thanks, Karen.

I agree.

Tom
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Sent: Thursday, June 09, 2005 3:53 PM
To: foley.33@osu.edu
Cc: Laura Williams; Tom O'Neill
Subject: Re: Next week's database meeting

Ed-

Please do accept my apologies on not getting back to you. Please, in the future, should you not get a response from me within two days- e-mail again, I won't be offended. This is what happens when you manage multiple projects and receive almost 50 e-mails a day.:-(

Not to worry-- we will have very good notes taken and the contractor facilitating the meeting will have proceedings from the meeting. I will be certain the Eagleton/Moritz team get these.

I actually think your receiving the material in this format, rather than having to sit through two days of detailed technical discussion is a very good way to go.

Again, my apologies.

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Edward B. Foley
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Karen,

No need to apologize! Thanks for getting back to me. (I know what it's like to get a flood of emails.)

I'm glad we've developed a good, cost-savings (and time-savings) way to proceed with respect to the relevance of next week's meeting to the provisional voting issues.

Best,

Ned

At 03:53 PM 6/9/2005, you wrote:
Ed-

Please do accept my apologies on not getting back to you. Please, in the future, should you not get a response from me within two days—e-mail again, I won't be offended. This is what happens when you manage multiple projects and receive almost 50 e-mails a day.:-)

Not to worry— we will have very good notes taken and the contractor facilitating the meeting will have proceedings from the meeting. I will be certain the Eagleton/Moritz team get these.

I actually think your receiving the material in this format, rather than having to sit through two days of detailed technical discussion is a very good way to go.

Again, my apologies.

Regards-

Karen Lynn-Dyson
Research Manager
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"Edward Foley" <foley.33@osu.edu>

06/09/2005 03:12 PM

klynndyson@eac.gov

"Tom O'Neill" 

"Laura Williams" 

Next week's database meeting

Karen (cc: Tom O'Neill & Laura Williams),

In lieu of my flying to DC next week to attend the meetings you have scheduled concerning database design and implementation, will there be papers or outlines or minutes of the presentations, for me (and others on our Eagleton-Moritz contract) to review for the purpose of the intersection between this topic and provisional voting?

(By the way, did you receive my email from last Friday, also concerning this upcoming database discussion?)
Karen:

We are at the point in our work where we need the Election Day Study to move ahead effectively. Can you let me know when we will be receiving it.

Thanks,

Tom
Carol,

Am I free to forward all data we have from Kim regarding provisional balloting?

Brian

Brian Hancock
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"Tom O'Neill"

To Carol A. Paquette/EAC/GOV@EAC
cc
Subject Fw: Election Day Study

To bhancock@eac.gov
cc
Subject RE: Election Day Study
Brian:

We need the complete responses from each state reporting the state’s experience with provisional voting. If you have a summary analysis available, so much the better.

Tom O’Neill

-----Original Message-----
From: bhancock@eac.gov [mailto:bhancock@eac.gov]
Sent: Friday, June 10, 2005 11:42 AM
To: Tom O’Neill
Subject: RE: Election Day Study

Tom,
Karen is traveling to California this morning, so I am assisting her for today. It is my understanding that you all were looking at which specific data elements from our Election Day Data Survey you would need for your project. I can forward the information that we have if you can provide more specifics.

Please let me know if my understanding of your agreement with Karen is incorrect.

Brian

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Thanks, Karen.

Tom

Original Message

To: klynndyson@eac.gov
Cc: bhancock@eac.gov; cpaquette@eac.gov

Subject: Re: Election Day Study & Survey of Local Officials

I've been in a meeting with the National Academy for the last two days and was in CA the last week with another project. Will be in touch first thing tomorrow with an answer on getting you the data. Thanks for your patience.

K

Karen Lynn-Dyson
U.S. Election Assistance Commission
1225 New York Avenue, NW Suite 1100
Washington, DC 20005
Tel: 202-566-3123

Sent: Tuesday, June 14, 2005 4:54 PM
From: klynndyson@eac.gov

---Original Message---

Thanks, Karen.

Tom
Karen: The Rutgers staff is arranging to print the Gantt Chart. We'll ship it off to you just as soon as it is ready.

Tom

-----Original Message-----
From: klynndyson@eac.gov
Sent: Tuesday, June 21, 2005 2:01 PM
To: klynndyson@eac.gov
Subject: RE: Revised Work Plan -- Gantt Chart

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"Tom O'Neill"  

06/20/2005 12:19 PM

To klynndyson@eac.gov  
cc  
Subject RE: Revised Work Plan --Gantt Chart

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From: klynndyson@eac.gov [mailto:klynndyson@eac.gov]
Sent: Monday, June 20, 2005 12:04 PM
To:  
Cc: lotero@eac.gov
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Karen: Lauren Vincelli at Eagleton printed out 3 copies of the pdf version of the Gantt chart and is sending it to you via Fed Ex today. I expect you will receive it before the end of the week. If you don't have it by Friday noon, please call me and we'll track the shipment.

Tom

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Karen

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Laura Williams

Hi Karen,

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Laura Williams

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Thanks,

Tom

Karen,

We share the understanding expressed below. Attached is the revised cover letter to local election officials.

Thanks,

Tom

----- Original Message -----
From: klynndyson@eac.gov
To: [redacted]
Cc: cpaquette@eac.gov
Sent: Thursday, July 07, 2005 11:14 AM
Subject: Re: Survey Cover Letter and Questionnaire

Tom-

A review of the EAC's Statement of Work for Research Assistance to develop Voluntary Guidance on Provisional Voting and Voting Identification procedures, does not require that a survey of the elections community, regarding their experiences with provisional voting or voter identification be conducted. Therefore, the EAC is not required to review or approve such a survey.

Should Eagleton elect to conduct such a survey to further educate and inform their work on these topics, they may conduct such a survey on their behalf only.

Regards-

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*Tom O'Neill*
07/06/2005 11:11 AM

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at 908-794-1030. If you would like to send a fax, that number is 609-737-8674.

Thanks,
I have noted that Eagleton will provide a status report to the EAC on July 5th, 2005 and a progress report on July 11, 2005.

I'm checking in to determine when the EAC should expect to receive these reports.

Regards-

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Karen,

Since I was puzzled by the distinction you drew in your last email about progress and status reports, I checked the contract. Please confirm my interpretation of Section 3.2.

I read it to require a “progress report,” within 2 weeks of the end of each month. “Budget status shall also be provided,” the section concludes.

That would mean, I believe, that we owe you a progress report by July 14, and it should include a status report on the budget.

Please let me know if I have misread this section or if you interpret it differently.

Tom

Lauren:

Our team meeting on Tuesday will include EAC staff and commissioners, the Moritz group, and, of course, the Eagleton group. I think we should provide a call-in number for a true conference call for this session.

Please set the conference call up and let the EAC know via an email to Karen-Lynn Dyson.
Hope you had a pleasant weekend.

Tom

="Lauren Vincelli"
<Vincelli@rutgers.edu>
07/11/2005 11:58 AM
Please respond to
Vincelli@rutgers.edu

To "Tom O'Neili"
williams.285@osu.edu
tokaji.1@osu.edu, john.weingart@rutgers.edu,
cc klynndyson@eac.gov
bcc
Subject EAC Conference Call - Tues. 7/12 at 9:30 am

Hello everyone,

To follow are the instructions for the upcoming conference call with Eagleton & Moritz team members and EAC commissioners. The instructions below apply to anyone calling in for this call. Anyone interested in tomorrow's discussion can use this access number for the call — please pass the information on to any of your colleagues that wish to participate or listen to the conference call.

From any phone, dial: (877) 805-0964
When prompted, enter _________

I will initiate the call here at Eagleton. If you happen to call in before we have called in, you will be placed on hold until we call in. If anyone has any questions, please email me or call me at the telephone number below.

Have a great day.

Best,
Lauren

Lauren Vincelli
Business Assistant, Eagleton Center for Public Interest Polling
Eagleton Institute of Politics, Rutgers University
Carriage House, 185 Ryders Lane
New Brunswick, NJ 08901
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="Tom O'neili"
07/11/2005 12:07 PM

To klynndyson@eac.gov
cc
bcc
Subject DRAFT Agenda for July 12 Teleconference

Karen

Attached is a draft agenda for tomorrow's teleconference. You should be receiving later today information
from Lauren Vincelli at Rutgers on what number to call to participate in the conference.

Please let me know if there are topics you would like to add to the agenda.

Karen:

Tuesday, July 19, 2005 at 9:00 AM - Tom is Free
Friday, July 22 at 10:00 AM - Tom is at NASS
Monday, July 25 at 10:00 AM - Tom is at NASS

Regards,

Nicole K. Mortellito
Assistant to the Executive Director
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202.566.3114 phone
202.566.3127 fax

Karen, Tom -

I am not taking any action on the email Tom sent a few days ago regarding the Peer Review Group because the Eagleton project is not my responsibility. As I indicated earlier to Karen, I didn't know why this was sent to me since Karen is the Project Manager. I endorse her comment below regarding the need for including her in all correspondence with anyone at the EAC regarding the project.

When I was the Interim Executive Director it was part of my job to stay on top of all EAC project work. I now have other responsibilities at the EAC, and while I am happy to continue involvement in other projects for continuity and transition purposes as needed, that needs to be very limited. My involvement with the Eagleton work has only been from the contracting perspective, and that is the only continuing role I have. Any substantive project activities have to be taken up with Karen.

Carol A. Paquette
U.S. Election Assistance Commission
Tom-

I trust you are in contact with Carol and Julie regarding the information on the Peer Review Group and the July 28 hearing at Cal/Tech that you have requested of them, respectively.

While the EAC is a small agency with relatively few reporting layers, I suggest that for all future items requiring feedback and decisions from the EAC, that you are certain to carbon copy me on all e-mails.

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Thank you, Karen.

Tom

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-----Original Message-----
From: klynndyson@eac.gov [mailto:klynndyson@eac.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, July 13, 2005 11:05 AM
To: [redacted]
Cc: tpaquette@eac.gov; twilkey@eac.gov
Subject: RE: Peer Review Group

Tom-

I will take up the matter of next steps with the Peer Review Group, with Tom Wilkey, the EAC Executive Director ASAP.

I will have an answer regarding the EAC's suggested next steps on how to proceed on this matter
Subject: Request for reallocation within existing budget

To: klynndyson@eac.gov
cc: arapp@rci.rutgers.edu
bcc: Tom ONeill

Karen:
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The financial reporting for this project is performed by the Division of Grant and Contract Accounting at Rutgers University. A copy of this report was not made available to us in an electronic format. Hard copies of the Progress Report and Financial Report have been Fedex'ed to you this afternoon and should arrive to your attention tomorrow morning. Please let me know if you do not receive this package by tomorrow afternoon.

Thank you for your time, have a great evening.
Julie:

Can you fill me in on the current status of your planning for the hearing in Pasadena. Have invitations gone out to panelists? Are there tasks you would like us to undertake in preparation for the meeting?

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Tom O'Neill

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own discretion.

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Tom O'Neill

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Sent: Friday, July 15, 2005 3:26 PM
To: 
Subject: Re: Invitation to Tom Wilkey

Tom-

Thanks for sharing this information with me and for keeping me apprised of the activities, interests and concerns of the team.

FYI-
I'm not certain who is on board to attend the meeting at Cal Tech; Ruth and the others may wish to find a time that Tom would be available to meet with folks then.

Regards-

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Board of Governors Professor of Politics
Karen: September 5 is Labor Day, but I will hold open September 6 and 7 as possible dates for a meeting with EAC. Have you already determined that August 30, 31 and September 1 will not work for the EAC? Those are the dates I suggested in my last email.

Tom O'Neill

-----Original Message-----
From: klynndyson@eac.gov [mailto:klynndyson@eac.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, August 02, 2005 5:00 PM
To: 
Cc: jthompson@eac.gov; aambrogl@eac.gov; ggilmour@eac.gov; twilkey@eac.gov
Subject: RE: Meeting with EAC

All-

Could you let me know your availability to meet on September 5, 6 or 7, say at 1:00 PM, with the Eagleton/Moritz team, to go over their research thus far, and next steps.

Thanks for your input.

K

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Mr. O'Neill,

Just a quick note to remind you that your meeting with EAC is confirmed for September 6 at 1 p.m. in Washington. The purpose of this meeting will be to review the draft of your analysis and alternatives paper with EAC and discuss the outline and direction of the Preliminary Guidance Document.

Regards,

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Karen,

Responding to an email from Nicole, I asked that the time of the meeting on September 6 be shifted from 1 to 1:30 to make our transportation work out better. As you'll see below, she has made the change on Tom Wilkey's schedule.

Tom O'Neill

-----Original Message-----
From: nmortellito@eac.gov [mailto:nmortellito@eac.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, August 16, 2005 1:12 PM
Subject: RE: Sept 6th EAC meeting
1:30 will be fine Tom. Thanks for the heads up!

Regards,
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I only got the original email on the September 6th meeting. Was this meeting confirmed by the commissioners?

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Tom-

Thank you for sharing this list of your Peer Review Group members, to-date. I will share this list with the Commissioners and will be certain to let your know of their feedback, if any.

I will also be back in touch regarding Eagleton's research around voter fraud and the research project EAC will be undertaking, this fall, around voting fraud and voter intimidation. The EAC is presently in the process of finalizing a work and staff plan for this project and once it is completed, I will be certain to brief you on it.

In the meantime, EAC staff and several of the Commissioners looks forward to meeting with the Eagleton/Moritz team on September 6 at 1:30 PM.

Regards-

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"Tom O'neill"
Karen,

Attached is a report on the status of recruitment of members of the Peer Review Group. We extended 9 invitations. We have four confirmed members, one reluctant turn-down, one who has yet to respond to an initial inquiry, and are awaiting confirmation from 3 others who initially agreed. Please let me know if you need additional information.

Tom O'Neill

RecruitmentStatus.doc
Mr. Hancock,

I am working with the Eagleton Institute at Rutgers University, on the study of provisional balloting during the 2004 election, being done for the EAC. I have been contacting the individual States regarding their provisional ballot numbers by County, and have found that the best responses typically come from those States who forward me the relevant portion of the report they had sent to the EAC, pertaining to the number of provisional ballots cast, counted, and the reasons for rejecting ballots that were not counted. In speaking to several officials at various Boards of Elections, they have referenced you as the contact at EAC for that study.

I am curious if it would be possible to forward the results that the States reported to the EAC, to me. Such information would be useful in comparing not only the use of provisional ballots nationwide during the election, but also in reviewing how States reported their numbers, and how those numbers have changed over time. Several of the States I have already spoken with have reported current numbers that do not match data that they had previously reported elsewhere in various forms. A comprehensive list of what data each State reported to the EAC would be extremely helpful in getting a standard setting from which to review changes. Also, a couple of States have said that they altered the EAC survey to fit the data they actually gathered, and I am curious to see if others did as well. Seeing the actual reports would be an excellent source for that information.

Any information that you could send to me would be greatly appreciated, as would any input you may have on this subject. I can be reached at this email address, or at 732-932-9384 ext. 291.

Thank you,
David Andersen
Eagleton Institute
Rutgers University
Karen,

I haven't received the fax about the potential new recruit for the Peer Review Group that you mentioned to me yesterday.

We have now completed the materials to be distributed to those attending the meeting at the EAC on September 6. You will receive a hard copy of all the material by express delivery tomorrow. The most important material to get to those attending in advance is the document with the answers to the 6 questions about topics of special interest on provisional voting outlined in our contract. The bulk of the material is backup to this summary report.

Tom O'Neill

Karen:

I received the fax and will pass it around the team. Thanks,

Tom O'Neill

"Lauren Vincelli" <Vincelli@rutgers.edu>
Hi Karen,

Attached please find a summary of answers to the questions guiding our Provisional Voting analysis in preparation for our meeting with the EAC on Tuesday, Sept. 9th. Please distribute this document in advance of the briefing to your colleagues who will be attending. There are several appendix documents that have been fedex'ed to you for delivery by tomorrow at noon. These documents form a large part of our original research, and are referred to in our summary responses to the 6 guiding questions. I am sending 3 copies of the appendix documents for you and your colleagues. Additionally, Mr. O'Neill will be bringing you a CD-rom with all of the enclosure documents for your convenience.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call or email me. Enjoy the holiday weekend.

Best,
Lauren Vincelli

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Tim O'Rourke, Dean of the Fulton School of Liberal Arts at Salisbury University in Maryland, has agreed to serve on the Peer Review Committee.

Tom O'Neill
Karen,

Subject: Revised materials for Sept. 6 Meeting
The hard copy of the materials you received on Friday may have been missing the response to Question 4 (the copy I received did not include it). Several other typographical and other errors also became apparent when I reviewed it today.

Attached is a revised version of the package that corrects those errors. Please rely on this version to prepare for the meeting on Tuesday. I will bring sufficient copies to hand out before the meeting.

Sorry for the errors.

Tom O'Neill

Karen:

Attached are 3 documents that will be topics of discussion at our meeting tomorrow. The Power Point presentation is included so you will have a complete file (and as a backup in case something goes wrong with the version I am bringing.)

The “Script” document is a simple, MS Word version of the Power Point presentation. You might want to print out copies for those who would like to follow along and make notes on the slides as they are discussed.

The third document is the “Alternatives” paper we will discuss after the Power Point presentation. It outlines alternative points that might be included in the preliminary guidance document, which is the next deliverable in the project. We hope to learn which alternatives are preferred by the EAC so that we will know which ones should be developed further for the
Preliminary Guidance Document. I hope you might be able to have this duplicated and distributed to those attending the meeting.

Thanks. I look forward to seeing you tomorrow.

Tom O'Neill

Hi Karen,

Attached is the August progress report in fulfillment of our Contract to Provide Research Assistance to the EAC for the Development of Voluntary Guidance on Provisional Voting and Voter Identification Procedures. Please note, as per your instructions earlier this month, that the financial report will be sent via Fedex under separate cover to: Ms. Dianna Scott, Administrative Officer, EAC. Also attached to the progress report is a finalized list of our Peer Review Group members. If you have any questions regarding this report, please contact Tom O'Neill at [removed].

Have a great day,
Lauren Vincelli

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Karen - For our conference call this Friday at 1:30, participants should dial (877) 805-0964 and then when prompted enter: [redacted]. Could you relay this information to Commissioner Martinez and the others from the EAC who will be on the call. At our end will be Tom O'Neill, Ingrid Reed and me.

Thanks, John

-- John Weingart, Associate Director
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klynndyson@eac.gov wrote:

> Excellent-
> Friday at 1:30 it is.
> Please do let the EAC staff know what number to call. Ray Martinez and Tom Wilkey may be calling from the road. Julie Thompson and I will be here.
> Thanks, again
> Karen Lynn-Dyson
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> "John Weingart" <john.weingart@rutgers.edu>*
> 09/27/2005 03:56 PM
> Please respond to
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> To
> klynndyson@eac.gov
> cc
> Vincelli@rutgers.edu, jthompson@eac.gov, aambrogi@eac.gov,
> rmartinez@eac.gov, twilkey@eac.gov, arapp@rutgers.edu,
Karen - Let's do it on Friday at 1:30. From my initial polling, at least Tom O'Neill, Ingrid Reed and I will be available. Since we will not all be at the same location, would you like us to initiate a conference call from here and give you a number to call in to?

-- John Weingart, Associate Director
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klynndyson@eac.gov wrote:

> Eagleton/Moritz team-
> I'd like to propose a conference call with EAC Commissioner Martinez, General Counsel Julie Thompson, Research Manager Karen Lynn-Dyson and your team for either 10:30 or 1:30 on Friday, September 30.
> This will be to discuss the draft guidance and final report you will be producing for the EAC.
> Please let me know which time works for you
> Regards
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"John Weingart" <john.weingart@rutgers.edu>
09/30/2005 03:02 PM
Please respond to john.weingart@rutgers.edu
To "Karen Lynn-Dyson" <klynndyson@eac.gov>
cc
Synopsis: Survey report
Karen - Thanks for the very helpful phone call. Attached is the Survey Report. Let me know if you have trouble opening it or need any clarification or further information. Thanks and have a good weekend.

John

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-- John Weingart, Associate Director
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Gavin and Julie

I am writing to follow-up Karen's suggestion that we consult with you to understand what we should and shouldn't say at the EAC gathering on October 14. Should we arrange a time for a phone call to discuss this or is it advice you want to give by email?

-- John Weingart, Associate Director
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klynndyson@eac.gov wrote:

> John and Tom-
> Many of your fellow contractors may be administering formal and informal surveys or questionnaires to the elections community in the next 6-8 months.
> At the October 14 meeting I would like to have two of our contractors, Eagleton and EDS, speak to their peers about their experiences with developing and administering surveys to the elections community.
> However, as you are aware, EAC operates under the regulations of the Paper Work Reduction Act. As such, EAC's General Council and Deputy General Counsel will be advising the research contractors' group on the process and procedures which must be used in order to adhere to these regulations.
To be certain that Eagleton covers these issues appropriately, I would ask that you and your survey researcher touch base with Gavin Gilmour and Julie Thompson, prior to the October 14 meeting. It will be important for Eagleton staff to have a clear understanding of what may or may not be discussed during this meeting.

Thanks for your assistance
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Since Eagleton's work did not involve the Paperwork Reduction Act, they would not really have any experience to share on that point. That would leave only experiences in methodology, response rate, etc.

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