



STATE OF VERMONT
GENERAL ASSEMBLY
JOINT LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Thursday, October 17, 2019

Minutes

Ethan Allen Room, State House

Members present: Representatives Ancel, Johnson, Kimbell, and LaClair and Senators Ashe, Benning, and Kitchel.

Representative Johnson convened the meeting, and Senator Benning moved to approve the minutes of the September 3, 2019 meeting, and the Committee approved the motion and adopted the minutes.

The Committee heard testimony from various Legislative offices and then reviewed a list of questions with Catherine Benham, Associate Fiscal Officer, Joint Fiscal Office, and Jennifer Carbee, Deputy Chief Counsel, Office of Legislative Council. The Committee discussed the placement of the Information Technology staff and agreed there were no dissenting comments or arguments for the movement of the IT staff from Legislative Council.

Representative Ancel made a motion to move the Information Technology Office and its staff from under the umbrella of the Legislative Council Office and temporarily place them under the jurisdiction of the Joint Legislative Management Committee until a governance structure for Legislative staff was decided upon, and the Committee approved the motion. The Committee also agreed to change Kevin Moore's title to Director of Information Technology from Deputy Director for Information Technology on a motion by Senator Kitchel.

Representative Ancel requested time at a future meeting to discuss standing committee staff and the committee chair's input on the hiring or designation of those staff. The Committee discussed proposed governance structure visuals submitted at earlier and the position of a Human Resource Director.

The Chair requested that staff amend the current governance structure visual to reflect the Committee's changes to IT and other discussion points. The Committee decided on future meeting dates of October 29, November 14 and 20. The Committee adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Theresa Utton-Jerman, Committee Staff