

LEGISLATIVE APPORTIONMENT BOARD (LAB) WORK SESSION
Title 17, Chapter 34A, Vermont Statutes Annotated
<https://sos.vermont.gov/apportionment-board/>

November 16, 2021
12:00 PM – 4:00 PM

DRAFT MINUTES
Meeting at Secretary of State's Office, 128 State Street, Montpelier
(Telephone Conference Call Participation Available)

Members Present: Tom Koch, Rob Roper
Members Present Remotely: Tom Little, Jeanne Albert, Mary Houghton, Jeremy Hansen
Others Present: Eric Covey
Others Present Remotely: Chris Winters, Mia Kro, Jon Welch
Members of the Public Present Remotely: Peter Carbee

1. Discuss BCA feedback and work on map adjustments.

Member of the public Peter Carbee requested that the LAB not divide the town of Washington.

Starting with the current proposed BEN-1 district, LAB members discussed the southwestern Vermont House districts, and potential solutions to the requests made by town Boards of Civil Authority through their submitted feedback.

No decisions were made on those districts.

The discussion moved to the southeastern districts.

The AB paused at 2:07pm for a break, reconvening at 2:15pm.

The overall philosophy was discussed, including whether or not to maintain the approach of trying to maintain all single member districts as possible, or whether to include two-member districts in instances where it makes most sense to.

The Board decided on an approach where the makers of the two current maps (Jeanne's map and the map recommended to the Boards of Civil Authority, created by Rob and Jeremy) explain how they would take the BCA feedback and make individual changes to their map, to present for discussion and consideration to the full Board.

The members then discussed the timeline for having maps ready for the Board to take action on, meeting scheduling, and a possible deadline extension.

Tom L. scheduled the next meeting of the Board from 10am-noon on Monday, November 22nd.

Tom L. adjourned the meeting at 2:45pm.