



GENERAL ASSEMBLY
STATE OF VERMONT
LEGISLATIVE JOINT FISCAL COMMITTEE

Thursday, February 12, 2015

Minutes

Members present: Representatives Ancel, Branagan, Johnson, Lippert, and Sharpe, and Senators Ashe, Ayer, Kitchel, Sears, and Snelling.

Other Attendees: Administration, Joint Fiscal Office, and Legislative Council staff, and various media, lobbyists, advocacy groups.

Stephen Klein, Chief Fiscal Officer of the Legislative Joint Fiscal Office, called the meeting to order at 12:45 p.m. as organizer of the meeting and asked for nominations for Officers of the Committee. Representative Johnson moved the nomination of Senator Kitchel and Representative Branagan moved the nomination of Representative Ancel as Vice Chair. With no other nominations cast, Mr. Klein closed the nominations and asked for the votes and both motions passed.

Senator Kitchel, Chair, asked for a motion of the adoption of the rules. Mr. Klein explained that the only change from the prior year was the adopted policy in November 2014 regarding partisan or political requests for assistance. Senator Sears moved the adoption of the Legislative Joint Fiscal Committee and Office Policies, and Senator Snelling seconded the motion. The Committee approved the motion.

The Chair asked for a motion to approve the minutes of November 12, 2014. Representative Johnson moved to approve the minutes and Senator Snelling seconded the motion. The Committee approved the minutes.

Mr. Klein gave an update on grants before the Committee for adoption, and a discussion ensued on voting and process for grant approvals.

Senator Sears moved to nominate Senator Snelling as Clerk of the Committee, and Senator Ashe seconded the motion. The Committee approved the motion.

The Committee adjourned at 1:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted

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