

Special Committee on Voter Confidence

(Working Session)

November 16, 2022 at 9:00 A.M.

The Special Committee on Voter Confidence working session started at 9:00 a.m. in room 210 of the Legislative Office Building in Concord according to notice. All Committee members were in attendance; some arrived late due to driving conditions. Seven members of the public were also present.

Committee member Doug Teschner moved to accept the minutes from the 11/1 session, Committee member Andrew Georgevits seconded it. All voted in favor, none opposed.

The Committee went through the latest draft of the report and made some grammatical changes.

Committee member Jim Splaine expressed some reservations about the "Summary of Testimony" section of the report and how it will be interpreted. He suggested referring to the video recordings and minutes from previous meetings posted on the Secretary of State's website instead.

Mr. Teschner suggested listing an overview of topics within the report and attaching a more detailed summary as an appendix. Co-chair Brad Cook said by referring to testimony in the report, the Committee is not necessarily agreeing with any particular viewpoint.

The Committee also discussed what builds trust and what ensures people feel heard. Co-chair Dick Swett said New Hampshire's elections could serve as an example for the rest of the country, citing the midterm elections.

Committee member Amanda Merrill suggested including a list of who spoke at the listening sessions as a second appendix.

The Committee agreed to include the more detailed description of testimony at the end of the report but will revisit the discussion at the next meeting as to whether it is a section of the report or an appendix.

After taking a short break, the Committee reconvened to discuss final edits to the Summary of Testimony.

The next Committee working session is scheduled for December 1 at 2PM, location to be announced.

Committee member Andrew Georgevits moved to adjourn the meeting, Co-chair Cook seconded it. All voted in favor, none opposed.

Meeting adjourned at 12:55.