Minutes of the Advisory Task Force on Composition of Judicial Districts

October 31, 2019

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Forgerty at 10:07 a.m., CST.

Chairman Forgety recognized guests who were present. They included Chase Johnson, Senate Judiciary Research Analyst and James Held, House Judiciary Research Analyst. Tyler Lannon, an Assistant Public Defender was also present to assist Mr. Fickling.

The following members were present:

From Nashville: Craig Fickling and J. B. Cox;

By phone: Kim Nelson, Bo Burke, Russell Johnson, Kim Kyle and Chairman Forgety;

Kim Helper was absent due to the death of her sister. John Ryder, John Fine and Mark Davidson were also absent.

Craig Fickling moved for electronic participation in the meeting pursuant to the statute. This motion was seconded by J. B. Cox and carried upon a roll call vote, 6 Ayes 0 Nos and 5 absent.

As the minutes from the last meeting had not been finalized due to General Helper's sister's death, no action was taken on the previous minutes. It is anticipated that they will be approved at the next meeting.

There were no remarks from the Administrative Office of the Courts.

Chairman Forgety had no preliminary remarks.

The task force members then began their deliberation of the draft report for the day. The deliberations lasted until a lunch recess was called at 11:56 a.m. Deliberations resumed at 12:30 p.m. after the lunch break until all the matters that could be deliberated were discussed.

There being no Old Business, Chairman Forgety opened the floor for New Business and with the consent of the task force set another meeting for November 12, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. for finalization of the Task Force's report.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by:

J. B. Cox