

## MINUTES

### LEGISLATIVE COORDINATING COUNCIL

December 5, 2007

#### Members participating:

President Steve Morris, Chairperson  
Speaker Melvin Neufeld, Vice-Chairperson  
Senator Derek Schmidt, Majority Leader  
Senator Anthony Hensley, Minority Leader  
Representative Ray Merrick, Majority Leader  
Representative Don Dahl, Speaker Pro Tem  
Representative Dennis McKinney, Minority Leader

The meeting was called to order by President Morris at 11:25 a.m. in Room 123-S, State Capitol.

#### CONSENT AGENDA

Speaker Neufeld moved that the minutes of the October 3, 2007, and the October 10, 2007, meetings be approved. Senator Schmidt seconded the motion and the motion carried.

#### REPORT OF SUBCOMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATION

Speaker Neufeld reported to the Council the recommendations of the Subcommittee on Administration. The subcommittee recommends that:

(1) Statutory joint committees which are required by law to have LCC approval to meet be authorized to meet during the legislative session on days the legislature is meeting in session.

(2) The LCC approve one additional meeting day for the Joint Committee on Economic Development and one additional meeting day for the Special Committee on Disaster Relief and Recovery.

(3) The LCC approve the Capitol Restoration Commission recommendations to approve the December 5, 2007, presentation to the Commission and expenditure of \$38,000,000 plus the cost of bond issuance for Capitol Restoration exterior stone, which funding will be provided by the issuance of bonds through the Kansas Development Finance Authority.

(4) The LCC establish a Special Committee on the State Employee Pay Plan as follows:  
Membership: Nine members (five from the House, three majority party members appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives and two minority party members appointed by the Minority Leader of Representatives, and four from the Senate, two majority party members appointed by the President of the Senate and one minority party member the Minority Leader of the Senate

Chair: House member

Meeting Days: 2 days

Charge: Review the proposed State Employee Pay Plan. Review the Hay Group Report on state employee pay and the recommendations of the State Employee Compensation

Oversight Commission. Study the implementation of the Hay Group Report and the potential phase-in of the recommendations made by the State Employee Compensation Commission. Recommend and introduce legislation to implement any recommended changes to modify the state pay plan.

(5) The LCC approve the request of the Legislative Educational Planning Committee to send a letter to the Kansas Board of Regents regarding incorporation of instruction in reading diagnosis and treatment for dyslexic children into the curriculum for new teachers.

(6) The LCC approve the request of the Legislative Educational Planning Committee to send a letter to the Kansas State Department of Education an assessment tool for identifying dyslexic children who may need additional assistance.

(7) The LCC authorize Representative Sydney Carlin to receive not to exceed two days' compensation for attendance at the Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children legislative briefing to be held by the Council of State Governments December 4 - 6, 2007, in New Orleans, Louisiana.

(8) The LCC authorize Representative Eber Phelps to receive \$1,242.13 for travel expenses incurred as a member of the Kansas delegation on a trade mission to Mexico City, Mexico, in mid-November.

The subcommittee also considered and decided against a request by the Information Network of Kansas (INK) to remove an indemnification clause from previously approved contracts with the LCC and the Office of Revisor of Statutes.

Speaker Neufeld moved that the recommendations of the subcommittee be approved. Senator Schmidt seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Prior to the meeting members of the Council received notice of the LCC meeting; notice of the Subcommittee on Administration meeting; the preliminary agenda for the Legislative Coordinating Council meeting; draft copies of minutes for the October 3, 2007, and October 10, 2007, Legislative Coordinating Council meetings; a letter from Representative Tafanelli requesting an additional meeting day for the Special Committee on Disaster Relief and Recovery; a memo from Representative Gordon requesting an additional meeting day for the Joint Committee on Economic Development; a memo from Jeff Russell relating to travel approval; and Policy 1 travel authorizations from President Morris and Speaker Neufeld.

On motion the meeting was adjourned.

Prepared by  
Mary Ann Torrence,  
Revisor of Statutes,  
as Secretary

Approved by

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President Stephen Morris,  
Chairperson