

M I N U T E S

IOWA LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

March 25, 1987

PRELIMINARY BUSINESS

The first meeting of the 1987-1988 Legislative Council was called to order by Senator Bill Hutchins at 12:10 p.m., Wednesday, March 25, 1987, in Committee Room 22 of the State House, Des Moines, Iowa. Members present in addition to Senator Hutchins were:

Lieutenant Governor Jo Ann Zimmerman
Speaker Donald D. Avenson
Senator Donald V. Doyle
Senator Emil J. Husak
Senator Lee W. Holt
Senator David M. Readinger
Representative Robert C. Arnould
Representative Florence D. Buhr
Representative Dorothy F. Carpenter
Representative Kay Chapman
Representative John H. Connors
Representative Thomas J. Jochum
Representative William H. Harbor
Representative Harold Van Maanen

Also present were Donovan Peeters, Director, Legislative Service Bureau, Burnette E. Koebernick, Deputy Director, Legislative Service Bureau, Thane R. Johnson, Senior Research Analyst, Legislative Service Bureau, other legislative staff members, representatives of the news media, and other interested persons.

CHAIRPERSON ELECTED

Senator Hutchins asked for nominations for chairperson of the Council. Representative Connors nominated Speaker Donald D. Avenson for Chairperson of the Council. Representative Chapman moved that nominations cease and a unanimous ballot be cast for Speaker Avenson. The motion was adopted.

VICE CHAIRPERSON ELECTED

Chairperson Avenson asked for nominations for Vice Chairperson of the Council. Representative Connors nominated Senator Bill Hutchins for Vice Chairperson of the Council. Representative Harbor moved that nominations cease and that a unanimous ballot be cast for Senator Hutchins.

RULES ADOPTED

Chairperson Avenson asked for additions to or deletions from the proposed rules of procedures for the Council. After review, Representative Chapman noted a typographical error in the second sentence of item #3. She asked and received unanimous consent to substitute the word "and" for the word "land". Senator Doyle moved that the proposed rules of procedure as amended be adopted as permanent rules of procedure of the Council. The motion was adopted. A copy of the rules is attached to and, by this reference, made a part of these minutes.

MINUTES CORRECTED

Concerning the Council minutes of the meeting of December 3, 1986, Representative Connors moved that the Report of the Service Committee to the Legislative Council, item #2, sentence #1, be amended to read as follows: "Those employees earning compensatory time for overtime accrued should earn compensatory time on an hour for hour basis, computed each pay period, and be used within the year of accrual." The motion was adopted.

EDUCATIONAL LEAVE REPORT RECEIVED

Senator Husak moved that the Legislative Council receive and file the reports on educational leave submitted pursuant to sections 79.1 and 79.25, dated March 25, 1987. The motion was adopted.

APPOINTMENTS TO COUNCIL COMMITTEES APPROVED

Senator Hutchins moved that the appointments to the Administration Committee, Service Committee, Studies Committee, Computer Outreach Committee, Capitol Space Allocation Committee, and Fiscal Committee be approved as submitted. The motion was adopted.

COURT RULES RECEIVED

Chairperson Avenson recognized Senator Doyle for an explanation of the Court Rules received by the Council pursuant to sections 602.4201 and 602.4202. After a brief explanation of the rules changes received, Senator Doyle noted that no action is necessary by the Council. Chairperson Avenson stated that the Council has received the report of Court Rules submitted by the Supreme Court.

APPOINTEES TO EDUCATION UPLINK STUDY COMMITTEE

Chairperson Avenson briefly reviewed the establishment and appointment of the Education Uplink Study Committee which serves as an advisory body concerning the establishment of a statewide telecommunications system in the state. He added that these appointees will add six new members to the Committee for a total of 21 members. Senator Hutchins moved that the Legislative Council approve the appointment of the six additional persons to the Education Uplink Study Committee.

Representative Chapman noted that there are no female appointees among the six new appointees listed. She asked for the gender balance of the committee as a whole. Chairperson Avenson responded that the committee will become more male-dominated, since there is only one female member of the Committee. Representative Carpenter stated that Representative Chapman has made a very good point. She added that there is no reason why a reasonable gender balance cannot be had on this committee. She further stated the organizations and departments who recommended these appointees should be asked to recommend female appointees. After further discussion, Representative Carpenter moved a substitute motion that the six additional appointees to the Education Uplink Study Committee not be approved and that the departments and organizations who recommended their appointments be asked to submit the names of qualified female appointees. After further discussion, Senator Hutchins withdrew his motion.

Representative Chapman also noted that Tom Jolas is no longer employed by the Department of Economic Development so a new appointee should be recommended to replace him.

In reply to a question by Representative Van Maanen, Chairperson Avenson stated that the large membership on the Committee should cause no problem because the responsibility is advisory and the members are advocates of the proposed telecommunications system.

There being no further discussion, Representative Carpenter's motion was adopted.

IOWA CODE SALE PRICE

Chairperson Avenson recognized Mr. Peeters for a review of the cost figures submitted by Kristi Little, Superintendent of Printing. Mr. Peeters noted that the cost per set totals approximately \$75.00 plus tax; however, considering the 3,000 sets which are distributed free by law, the overall cost to the state can be recovered by setting the sale price at \$110 plus tax per set. He added that the latter sale price is recommended by the Superintendent. A copy of Ms. Little's letter is attached to and, by this reference, made a part of these minutes.

After further discussion, Representative Connors moved that the Legislative Council approve the recommendation of the Superintendent of Printing for a sale price for each set of the Iowa Code at \$110 plus tax. The motion was adopted.

IOWA BUSINESS COUNCIL PROPOSAL

Chairperson Avenson stated that the Iowa Business Council has submitted a proposal for an independent estimate of the effect of the Internal Revenue Code update on Iowa tax revenue. He stated that the proposal will provide the General Assembly with revenue estimates and costs relating to proposed tax reform measures. He added that the proposal will use an economic forecasting model developed by Peat, Marwick and Mitchell and cost the state \$3,500 annually for the next two years. After further discussion, Representative Chapman moved that the Legislative Council approve the expenditure of \$3,500 annually for the fiscal years 1988 and 1989 for revenue impact studies resulting from the federal tax reform, custom tax models, data bases, and master tax files. The motion was adopted.

A copy of the agreement with Peat Marwick is attached to and, by this reference, made a part of these minutes.

RECREATION-TOURISM-LEISURE STUDY COMMITTEE EXPENSES

Chairperson Avenson directed the Council members' attention to a letter received from Mr. David Dahlquist requesting the reallocation of \$3,000 of funds remaining from the 1986 study interim to pay the expenses of Committee members related to the Western Historic Trails Center project. A copy of Mr. Dahlquist's letter is attached to and, by this reference, made a part of these minutes. In reply to a question by Senator Husak, Mr. Dahlquist stated that Representative Black, Mr.

Schnepf, and himself have made an earlier trip to Washington, D. C. on behalf of the proposed project and will probably be the persons to continue the follow-up testimony when the Congressional hearings are called. Representative Harbor commented that he has been involved with discussions concerning the proposed project and believes that it will rival the St. Louis Arch as an attraction to tourists as well as persons interested in American history.

After further discussion, Senator Hutchins moved the adoption of Mr. Dahlquist's request for the reallocation of \$3,000 for travel and related expenses to Washington, D. C. in regard to the Western Historic Trails Center project for members of the Recreation-Tourism-Leisure Committee and the Project Director, subject to prior approval of the travel requests by the Speaker of the House and the Majority Leader of the Senate. The motion was adopted.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, Senator Holt moved that the meeting adjourn at 12:25 p.m.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

DONOVAN PEETERS, Secretary to the Legislative Council

THANE R. JOHNSON, Senior Research Analyst