

MINUTES

OF THE SERVICE COMMITTEE

OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

October 2, 1984

The meeting of the Service Committee was called to order at 11:10 a.m. by the Chairman, Senator C. W. (Bill) Hutchins, on Tuesday, October 2, 1984, in Committee Room 22 of the State House, Des Moines, Iowa. Members present in addition to the Chairman were:

Senator C. Joseph Coleman
Senator Merlin Hulse
Representative Tom Jochum
Representative Jean Lloyd-Jones
Representative Delwyn Stromer

Also present were:

Mr. Serge Garrison, Director, Legislative Service Bureau
Mr. Joe O'Hern, Chief Clerk, House of Representatives
Mr. Dennis Prouty, Director, Legislative Fiscal Bureau
Ms. Marie Thayer, Secretary of the Senate
Ms. Diane Bolender, Senior Research Analyst, Legislative Service Bureau

Senator Coleman moved that the minutes of the September 11 Service Committee meeting be approved as distributed to Committee members, and the motion was adopted.

Chairman Hutchins called for a report from Mr. O'Hern, who was representing the Computer Committee of the Legislative Council. Mr. O'Hern asked that the Service Committee recommend to the Chairman of the Legislative Council the employment of Mr. David Robinson as a Computer Operator at Grade 21, Step 2, which is the same as a Computer Operator II under the Merit System. He noted that Sperry Corporation has employed Mr. Robinson, and he has been working on the legislative computer system for the past two months. (NOTE: The Legislative Council at its September 18, 1984 meeting gave approval to the Service Committee to employ, with the approval of the Chairman of the Legislative Council, a director and a computer operator for the Computer Support Bureau.)

Representative Stromer asked how the salary proposed for Mr. Robinson compares with the salary he is presently receiving. Mr. O'Hern commented that the salary that the Legislative Council will be paying him is perhaps a little experience on other computers and has had some programming experience.

Senator Coleman moved that the Service Committee approve the recommendation of the Computer Committee, and subject to the approval of the Council Chairman, employ Mr. Robinson. The motion was adopted.

Mr. O'Hern asked, on behalf of the Computer Committee, that approval be granted to offer the position of Director of the Legislative Support Bureau to Mr. Sanford B. Scharf at an annual salary of \$37,500. He commented that Mr. Scharf has been assigned as team leader for all Data Manipulation MAPPER runs for the legislative computer project.

Representative Stromer moved that the Service Committee approve the request of the Computer Committee and, subject to the approval of the Chairman of the Legislative Council, the position will be offered to Mr. Scharf.

Chairman Hutchins called for a report from Mr. Garrison. Mr. Garrison read a list of recommendations to the Service Committee, a copy of which is attached and by this reference made a part of these minutes. Senator Coleman moved that Mr. Garrison's first recommendation be recommended by the Service Committee for adoption by the Legislative Council, and the motion carried.

Mr. Garrison commented that he is recommending the employment of Chopard to replace Mr. Craig Jontz who recently resigned. He indicated that Miss Chopard has fine recommendations, but he has not yet offered her employment. He indicated that if Miss Chopard does not accept the position, he will offer it to Ms. Lynette Donner, former Assistant Legal Counsel for the House of Representatives. Representative Jochum moved that the Service Committee recommend to the Legislative Council the employment of Miss Chopard as an Attorney I.

Representative Stromer stated that he would like Ms. Barry of the Code Consultant's Office to be requested to provide information to the Service Committee about her goals for the office and what she believes should be accomplished over the next few years with regard to salaries for her employees. Mr. Garrison interjected that all agency directors need to review salaries in order to provide comparable worth for state employees. Chairman Hutchins commented that Ms. Barry must also address the comparable worth issue. He instructed the Legislative Service Bureau to relay Representative Stromer's request to Ms. Barry.

Representative Lloyd-Jones moved that the Service Committee recommend to the Legislative Council that salaries for persons whose salaries were off the legislative matrix by one cent per hour be adjusted by an annual amount of \$20.80. The motion was adopted.

The Service Committee adjourned at 11:25 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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