

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF
LEGISLATIVE SUB-COMMITTEE FOR APPROPRIATIONS ON EDUCATION

March 2, 1979
8:30 a.m.
Room 104
State Capitol Building
Subject: WORK SESSION

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Carroll South with the following members present:

Sen. Larry Fasbender
Sen. Harold Nelson
Rep. Oscar Kvaalen
Rep. Jack Moore
Rep. Esther Bengtson

Also present at the meeting were, Judy Ripplingale, Fiscal Analyst; Glen Leavitt, OBPP; and Tom Crosser, OBPP.

COMMUNITY COLLEGES

The subject of the budget for community college was a first topic. The committee discussed whether or not to add \$10 a month for insurance allowed during the 1979 biennium, this would add up to approximately \$74,000 and would make the current level \$3,710,000.

MOTION WAS MADE by Rep. Moore that the committee fund the Community Colleges \$3,636,647 plus the \$74,000 for the insurance benefits this biennium and that the 65:35 language be included in the appropriations bill. The Community College be funded less faculty allowed in previous bienniums for enrollments that did not materialize, and less fringe benefits that were double funded, but adding in \$20 to the base allowed for health benefits which were part of pay increases for state employees.

MOTION WAS PASSED unanimously with all the committee members present for the voting.

VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL CENTERS

The committee discussed the Vo-Tech Centers schedule of actual, budgeted, and recommended expenditures and funding sources for the biennium. They were trying to make a decision on the Expenditures and Revenue of this program.

MOTION WAS MADE by Sen. Fasbender that the committee add \$110,880 for health benefits in the base, which would be the expenditure level. (This motion would be subject to whatever the audit determines the inaccuracy in 1978 at the Great Falls center)

MOTION WAS PASSED unanimously with all the committee members present.

MOTION WAS MADE by Rep. Kvaalen that the committee appropriate 1.25 mills the first year and 1.5 mills the second year for the Vo-Tech funding. MOTION PASSED unanimously with all committee members present for the voting.

(5 minute break was taken)

HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The subject discussed on this topic was travel for this Historical Society.

MOTION WAS MADE by Rep. Moore that the committee accept the recommendation with the exception that we increase the travel expenses each year by the amount of \$2,000; this would make it \$9,040. This would be with the intent we notify the Historical Society Program that the money we are appropriating would mostly be used for in-state travel expenses. MOTION PASSED unanimously with all committee members present for the voting.

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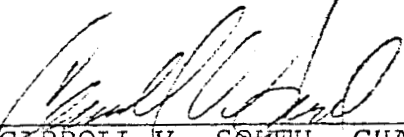
MOTION WAS MADE by Sen. Fasbender that the committee add \$5,000 to their travel expenses with the intent that a letter be written to them saying that most of this money be spent on in-state travel.

MOTION WAS PASSED unanimously with all the committee members present for the voting.

SPECIAL EDUCATION

The committee discussed this issue from several different points of view, but there were no decisions made at this time.

Being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

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CARROLL V. SOUTH, CHAIRMAN

Jeanne Glennon, Secretary