

MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE JOINT APPROPRIATION SUBCOMMITTEE FOR INSTITUTIONS  
January 10, 1981

CHAIRMAN JACK MOORE called the Executive Session for Personal Services supplemental funding for Boulder River School and Hospital to order at 1:40 p.m. Committee members present were:

Rep. Conroy  
Rep. Ernst  
Sen. Etchart  
Sen. Thomas  
Sen. Johnson

Testimony was given by Carroll South, Director of Department of Institutions, and Doug Booker, Office of Budget and Planning.

MR. HOFFMAN explained direct care identification as related to prior legislation. He did question the habilitation aide 5 which was the night supervisor, and the cottage supervisor being put into the direct care staff. He further explained the FTE positions associated with the closing of Cottage 5.

THE CHAIRMAN stated that the FTE authorized for this fiscal year is 468.26.

MR. HOFFMAN stated this is the authorized level, however, the institutions did receive a budget modification of 10 additional positions for the educational program for Boulder. The total authority with the additional modification was 478.26.

MR. SOUTH stated there are 16 members hired under the OSPI grant. The remaining FTE is 468.26.

MR. BOOKER stated that vacancies are being carried at this time and the average for the year will be below 468.

THE CHAIRMAN asked if there is still a high turn over rate at Boulder.

MR. BOOKER stated that it is still high but not nearly as high as in the past.

MR. SOUTH explained the difference between staffing ratio and total FTE levels to the Committee. He commented there are two people that could be terminated as a result of the closing of Cottage 5, but due to union contracts those two people would not be the first to go.

MR. HOFFMAN stated the last legislature did specifically identify direct care positions, what they would be and the correct ratio within the Boulder River School and Hospital.

MR. SOUTH stated that some direct care people are doing laundry at the present time and this is not in their job description.

SEN. JOHNSON asked if the 10 people from Cottage 5, who were allowed to move into some of the vacancies were allowed to switch titles.

MR. SOUTH stated the people directly related to Cottage 5 were all attrited except two. He felt that the titles were not switched, and these people are trackable, so that their skills are matched to their existing jobs.

SEN. JOHNSON asked about the staffing pattern at Boulder River School and Hospital.

MR. SOUTH explained the staffing pattern and the problems it involves when a direct care staff has to do the work of a laundry worker.

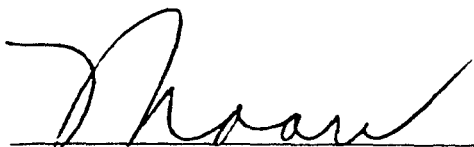
MR. BOOKER stated at this time the unions are still flexible regarding job descriptions.

THE CHAIRMAN stated the original request for personal services was \$167,155. There is a \$3,000 savings in rent, which leaves a total of \$164,155 for the remainder of the supplemental request.

REP. CONROY moved that the total of \$164,155 for personal services for Boulder River School and Hospital be approved.

The motion passed 5 to 1. Sen Johnson opposed.

There being no further discussions or comments the Session was adjourned at 2:05 p.m.



JACK MOORE, Chairman