

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE JOINT APPROPRIATIONS
SUBCOMMITTEE FOR INSTITUTIONS

PINE HILLS EXECUTIVE SESSION

January 27, 1981

JACK K. MOORE, Chairman called the Executive Session for Pine Hills to order at 10:25 a.m. Committee members present were:

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

THE CHAIRMAN asked what was the difference in the Equipment portion of the budget.

MR. ROSTOCKI noted the Executive Budget total should be reduced by \$1,000 due to the reduction on the car price (See Exhibit 34, Page 22) and the LFA figures did not include \$1,000 for a typewriter, because it was a low priority item.

MR. BRIDGE explained the request was for an IBM Correcting Selectric. He felt they were working with an outmoded 1966 Remington, and it was reducing the typing ability of the secretary.

SEN JOHNSON felt it was necessary to discuss the option of having students from Pine Hills transfer to Mountain View Home because this would reflect in the Equipment budget for both schools.

MR. ROSTOCKI mentioned if the transfer was not approved, the LFA would recommend the additional washer and dryer purchased for FY 83 for Pine Hills School.

MR. SOUTH felt that even if the transfer went through, the new washer and dryer from Pine Hills could go along with it. He did want to stress the problems of going co-ed with any institution.

THE CHAIRMAN expressed concern with the transfer due to the judicial system in the state.

SEN. JOHNSON asked Mr. Davis what was the major problem when they tried the 45 day co-ed evaluation program for boys several years ago at Mountain View.

MR. DAVIS stated most of the problems were in the mind of the public. He stated most of these suspicions did not occur, and there were no major problems due to this concept. However, he explained the boys were well screened with the younger, less sophisticated boys being put at Mountain View.

SEN. JOHNSON asked if the boys now at Pine Hills would be screened as well as the previous ones.

MR. DAVIS stated the boys would be well screened, and it was important that the Pine Hills staff make the decision for controlled setting rather than have the juvenile court decide.

SEN. THOMAS asked when the program began in Great Falls, wasn't it the idea to extend the treatment type of facility that was the Children's Center at Warm Springs. He felt it was the idea not to have the children institutionalized, but attend the local schools and could be evaluated without sending them to Warm Springs.

MR. RUSSELL noted it was developed for the children who had been at Warm Springs who were exhibiting emotional problems. However, as that type of population declined, it was brought before the legislative body, that this type of service was still needed as an evaluation program and was still probably taking care of many of those youths who would have been committed to Montana Children's Center.

SEN. THOMAS noted these programs were emphasizing treatment. He felt in order to maintain the emphasis on treatment, it would be necessary to keep the program at Warm Springs, Great Falls, and probably expand the Mountain View Home as being discussed.

MR. RUSSELL stated yes that is true. He noted that they do not have ideally as many treatment programs as they would like to have, and they should not be diminished in regard to evaluation and treatment programs.

SEN. THOMAS asked if the expense for the travel to Miles City and back would be reduced if this plan was implemented.

MR. RUSSELL stated they would not recommend the Mountain View Home be used for a 45 day evaluation program, because if they were to go to Mountain View directly from the court they would have no ability to determine if the boy could function in that capacity. He felt it was necessary to be used as an honor system, and if they did not follow the rules, they would go back to Pine Hills.

MR. SOUTH stated the Department's stand would be if the boys would be placed at Mountain View, they want total control of who is to be placed there. They would take boys who have a good track record at Pine Hills, and place them on the honor system. He stated you could not have that as a 45 day evaluation program at Mountain View.

January 27, 1981

THE CHAIRMAN stated the Committee is talking about 14 boys and the utilization of the Cottage at Mountain View Home, is there a motion regarding this.

SEN. THOMAS moved (1) The Mountain View program be expanded to include up to 14 boys who would be transferred from Pine Hills as a boy's honor program. The boys would be screened by the department before being placed at Mountain View. (2) The 45-day evaluation programs would continue as they are at both Pine Hill and Mountain View. However, no boys would be evaluated at Mountain View. (3) The department would have the discretion to transfer funds from Pine Hills to Mountain View only for support of the boy's program at Mountain View. Any funds being transferred would be tracked in a separate responsibility center to provide accountability.

MR. ROSTOCKI explained the adjustments the department has come up with a reduction in Pine Hills of \$173,900 for FY 82 and for Mountain View \$166,000. He stated for a rough estimate for the night before it is pretty close to being a wash. He felt it was the Department's idea to appropriate funds as it is, and give them the discretion to move between institutions.

MR. SOUTH stated you would have to do that because it would be impossible to move all 14 boys at any one time.

MR. HOFFMAN felt in fairness to the Department and the Committee, the Department should have the opportunity to work out some detailed figures on this proposal, and the committee should have the opportunity to look at this. One option might be to have the Interim-Finance Department look at the budgets as they currently stand and have those options given specifically to them. He noted it will be exceptionally hard for the LFA office to track this to make sure the intent of the committee is carried forward, and this would put the Department in an inopportune position. He feels the committee should have a full proposal and the department should have the opportunity to work that out. He personally feels there are too many what ifs, however, the philosophy is good.

SEN. ETCHART stated he didn't feel the state could afford another evaluation program.

SEN. THOMAS explained this would be more of a step program by letting them get out of the institution.

MR. RUSSELL wanted it clarified they would still evaluate the girls at Mountain View Home, but not the boys.

January 27, 1981

A roll call vote was called on SENATOR THOMAS' Motion. THE MOTION PASSED 6 IN FAVOR, NO OPPOSED.

THE CHAIRMAN asked to consider the Equipment amount on the budget. SEN. ETCHART moved on Equipment to accept the LFA figures of \$9,625 for FY 82 and \$9,270 for FY 83. THE MOTION PASSED.

REP. CONROY moved on the Other Expenses to accept the LFA and the Executive Budget figures for \$12,856 for FY 82 and \$13,686 for FY 83. THE MOTION PASSED.

REP. ERNST moved to accept the LFA and the Executive Budget figures for Rent for \$5,126 for FY 82 and \$5,542 for FY 83; Utilities figures of \$95,248 for FY 82 and \$106,678 for FY 83; Repair and Maintenance figures of \$24,913 for FY 82 and \$27,076 for FY 83. THE MOTION PASSED.

SEN. JOHNSON moved to accept the Fiscal Analyst's figures on Travel for \$14,234 for FY 82 and \$15,372 for FY 83. THE MOTION PASSED.

REP. CONROY moved to accept the Fiscal Analyst's figures on Communications for \$24,769 for FY 82 and \$26,874 for FY 83. THE MOTION PASSED.

SEN. JOHNSON moved to accept the Fiscal Analyst's figures on Supplies and Materials for \$238,400 for FY 82 and \$258,664 for FY 83. THE MOTION PASSED with 5 in favor and 1 opposed. Sen. Etchart opposed.

REP. CONROY moved to accept the Fiscal Analyst's figures for Contracted Services for \$47,231 for FY 82 and \$62,009 for FY 83. THE MOTION PASSED.

SEN. ETCHART moved to accept the Personal Services amount of \$1,999,499 for FY 82 and \$1,955,014 for FY 83. THE MOTION PASSED.

THE CHAIRMAN recommended in discussing the modified programs, the SID (Special Improvement District) program be extracted, and the drug abuse counselor be voted on.

MR. ROSTOCKI asked if the Committee could go back and approve the Title I expenditures. He noted the pay plan figures needed to be revised in the LFA figures. See Exhibit 34, Page 2.

SEN. JOHNSON moved to accept the Fiscal Analyst's figures for \$120,087 for FY 82 and \$131,152 for FY 83. THE MOTION PASSED.

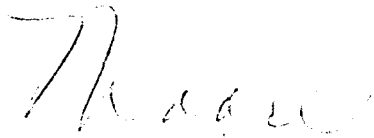
Minutes of the Meeting of the Joint Appropriations
Subcommittee for Institutions
Pine Hills Executive Session
January 27, 1981

Page 5

SEN. ETCHART moved to accept the Interest and Income figures of \$187,912 for FY 82 and \$191,070 for FY 83. THE MOTION PASSED.

SEN. ETCHART moved to accept the modified program for the Drug Abuse Counselor. THE MOTION PASSED with 4 in favor, and 2 opposed. Those opposed were Rep. Conroy and Rep. Moore.

There being no further discussion the executive session was adjourned at 10:54 a.m.



JACK K. MOORE, Chairman

mg

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE JOINT APPROPRIATIONS
SUBCOMMITTEE FOR INSTITUTIONS

PINE HILLS EXECUTIVE SESSION

January 27, 1981

JACK K. MOORE, Chairman called the Executive Session for Pine Hills to order at 10:25 a.m. Committee members present were:

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

THE CHAIRMAN asked what was the difference in the Equipment portion of the budget.

MR. ROSTOCKI noted the Executive Budget total should be reduced by \$1,000 due to the reduction on the car price (See Exhibit 34, Page 22) and the LFA figures did not include \$1,000 for a typewriter, because it was a low priority item.

MR. BRIDGE explained the request was for an IBM Correcting Selectric. He felt they were working with an outmoded 1966 Remington, and it was reducing the typing ability of the secretary.

SEN JOHNSON felt it was necessary to discuss the option of having students from Pine Hills transfer to Mountain View Home because this would reflect in the Equipment budget for both schools.

MR. ROSTOCKI mentioned if the transfer was not approved, the LFA would recommend the additional washer and dryer purchased for FY 83 for Pine Hills School.

MR. SOUTH felt that even if the transfer went through, the new washer and dryer from Pine Hills could go along with it. He did want to stress the problems of going co-ed with any institution.

THE CHAIRMAN expressed concern with the transfer due to the judicial system in the state.

SEN. JOHNSON asked Mr. Davis what was the major problem when they tried the 45 day co-ed evaluation program for boys several years ago at Mountain View.

MR. DAVIS stated most of the problems were in the mind of the public. He stated most of these suspicions did not occur, and there were no major problems due to this concept. However, he explained the boys were well screened with the younger, less sophisticated boys being put at Mountain View.

January 27, 1981

SEN. JOHNSON asked if the boys now at Pine Hills would be screened as well as the previous ones.

MR. DAVIS stated the boys would be well screened, and it was important that the Pine Hills staff make the decision for controlled setting rather than have the juvenile court decide.

SEN. THOMAS asked when the program began in Great Falls, wasn't it the idea to extend the treatment type of facility that was the Children's Center at Warm Springs. He felt it was the idea not to have the children institutionalized, but attend the local schools and could be evaluated without sending them to Warm Springs.

MR. RUSSELL noted it was developed for the children who had been at Warm Springs who were exhibiting emotional problems. However, as that type of population declined, it was brought before the legislative body, that this type of service was still needed as an evaluation program and was still probably taking care of many of those youths who would have been committed to Montana Children's Center.

SEN. THOMAS noted these programs were emphasizing treatment. He felt in order to maintain the emphasis on treatment, it would be necessary to keep the program at Warm Springs, Great Falls, and probably expand the Mountain View Home as being discussed.

MR. RUSSELL stated yes that is true. He noted that they do not have ideally as many treatment programs as they would like to have, and they should not be diminished in regard to evaluation and treatment programs.

SEN. THOMAS asked if the expense for the travel to Miles City and back would be reduced if this plan was implemented.

MR. RUSSELL stated they would not recommend the Mountain View Home be used for a 45 day evaluation program, because if they were to go to Mountain View directly from the court they would have no ability to determine if the boy could function in that capacity. He felt it was necessary to be used as an honor system, and if they did not follow the rules, they would go back to Pine Hills.

MR. SOUTH stated the Department's stand would be if the boys would be placed at Mountain View, they want total control of who is to be placed there. They would take boys who have a good track record at Pine Hills, and place them on the honor system. He stated you could not have that as a 45 day evaluation program at Mountain View.

January 27, 1981

THE CHAIRMAN stated the Committee is talking about 14 boys and the utilization of the Cottage at Mountain View Home, is there a motion regarding this.

SEN. THOMAS moved (1) The Mountain View program be expanded to include up to 14 boys who would be transferred from Pine Hills as a boy's honor program. The boys would be screened by the department before being placed at Mountain View. (2) The 45-day evaluation programs would continue as they are at both Pine Hill and Mountain View. However, no boys would be evaluated at Mountain View. (3) The department would have the discretion to transfer funds from Pine Hills to Mountain View only for support of the boy's program at Mountain View. Any funds being transferred would be tracked in a separate responsibility center to provide accountability.

MR. ROSTOCKI explained the adjustments the department has come up with a reduction in Pine Hills of \$173,900 for FY 82 and for Mountain View \$166,000. He stated for a rough estimate for the night before it is pretty close to being a wash. He felt it was the Department's idea to appropriate funds as it is, and give them the discretion to move between institutions.

MR. SOUTH stated you would have to do that because it would be impossible to move all 14 boys at any one time.

MR. HOFFMAN felt in fairness to the Department and the Committee, the Department should have the opportunity to work out some detailed figures on this proposal, and the committee should have the opportunity to look at this. One option might be to have the Interim-Finance Department look at the budgets as they currently stand and have those options given specifically to them. He noted it will be exceptionally hard for the LFA office to track this to make sure the intent of the committee is carried forward, and this would put the Department in an inopportune position. He feels the committee should have a full proposal and the department should have the opportunity to work that out. He personally feels there are too many what ifs, however, the philosophy is good.

SEN. ETCHART stated he didn't feel the state could afford another evaluation program.

SEN. THOMAS explained this would be more of a step program by letting them get out of the institution.

MR. RUSSELL wanted it clarified they would still evaluate the girls at Mountain View Home, but not the boys.

January 27, 1981

A roll call vote was called on SENATOR THOMAS' Motion. THE MOTION PASSED 6 IN FAVOR, NO OPPOSED.

THE CHAIRMAN asked to consider the Equipment amount on the budget. SEN. ETCHART moved on Equipment to accept the LFA figures of \$9,625 for FY 82 and \$9,270 for FY 83. THE MOTION PASSED.

REP. CONROY moved on the Other Expenses to accept the LFA and the Executive Budget figures for \$12,856 for FY 82 and \$13,686 for FY 83. THE MOTION PASSED.

REP. ERNST moved to accept the LFA and the Executive Budget figures for Rent for \$5,126 for FY 82 and \$5,542 for FY 83; Utilities figures of \$95,248 for FY 82 and \$106,678 for FY 83; Repair and Maintenance figures of \$24,913 for FY 82 and \$27,076 for FY 83. THE MOTION PASSED.

SEN. JOHNSON moved to accept the Fiscal Analyst's figures on Travel for \$14,234 for FY 82 and \$15,372 for FY 83. THE MOTION PASSED.

REP. CONROY moved to accept the Fiscal Analyst's figures on Communications for \$24,769 for FY 82 and \$26,874 for FY 83. THE MOTION PASSED.

SEN. JOHNSON moved to accept the Fiscal Analyst's figures on Supplies and Materials for \$238,400 for FY 82 and \$258,664 for FY 83. THE MOTION PASSED with 5 in favor and 1 opposed. Sen. Etchart opposed.

REP. CONROY moved to accept the Fiscal Analyst's figures for Contracted Services for \$47,231 for FY 82 and \$62,009 for FY 83. THE MOTION PASSED.

SEN. ETCHART moved to accept the Personal Services amount of \$1,999,499 for FY 82 and \$1,955,014 for FY 83. THE MOTION PASSED.

THE CHAIRMAN recommended in discussing the modified programs, the SID (Special Improvement District) program be extracted, and the drug abuse counselor be voted on.

MR. ROSTOCKI asked if the Committee could go back and approve the Title I expenditures. He noted the pay plan figures needed to be revised in the LFA figures. See Exhibit 34, Page 2.

SEN. JOHNSON moved to accept the Fiscal Analyst's figures for \$120,087 for FY 82 and \$131,152 for FY 83. THE MOTION PASSED.

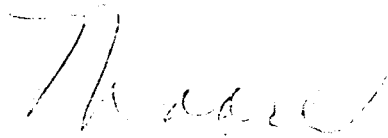
Minutes of the Meeting of the Joint Appropriations
Subcommittee for Institutions
Pine Hills Executive Session
January 27, 1981

Page 5

SEN. ETCHART moved to accept the Interest and Income figures of \$187,912 for FY 82 and \$191,070 for FY 83. THE MOTION PASSED.

SEN. ETCHART moved to accept the modified program for the Drug Abuse Counselor. THE MOTION PASSED with 4 in favor, and 2 opposed. Those opposed were Rep. Conroy and Rep. Moore.

There being no further discussion the executive session was adjourned at 10:54 a.m.



JACK K. MOORE, Chairman

mg