

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE JOINT APPROPRIATION SUBCOMMITTEE
ON EDUCATION

January 30, 1981

The Executive Session meeting on the Bureau of Mines was called to order at 8:05 a.m. on Friday, January 30, 1981 by Chairman Donaldson in Room 104, Capitol Bldg., Helena, Montana.

All members were present including Bruce Shively and Curt Nichols, Fiscal Analysts.

CURT NICHOLS gave a briefing on the LFA recommendation for the current level of funding for the Bureau of Mines. (EXHIBIT A)

GLEN LEAVITT gave the Executive recommendation for the current level funding and one modification, Hydrogeological Research.

REP. BENGTON moved to accept the LFA recommendation for current level funding and for the modifications without the 9% pay increases. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

SID GROFF, Director of the Bureau of Mines, commented about their Personal Services. He stated that he had to give pay raises this last biennium in order to keep people on and that they had to absorb those.

ED BINGLER stated that their revenue is placed in their unrestricted operating budget and as that revenue from sales and services changes, their FTEs fluctuate. So when revenue is up the FTE is up and when the revenue is down, the FTE is down.

CHAIRMAN DONALDSON asked if the fluctuation is caused by the Federal grants.

ED BINGLER stated that, "no" it comes from sales and services such as water well monitoring, publications, etc.

SENATOR HAFNEY asked what happens if they were to get the lower of the recommendations,

ED BINGLER stated that they would have to reduce FTE or move people into other areas.

CHAIRMAN DONALDSON asked Commissioner Richardson if the process of an agency to do upgrading needs his approval,

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COMMISSIONER RICHARDSON said "yes", that the agency submits upgrades for classified positions to the Director of Personnel and then it is taken to the Personnel Division with the State. On the unclassified, they are funded on a dollar basis.

CURT NICHOLS explained Operations and gave the LFA recommendation.

GLEN LEAVITT gave the Executive recommendation and explained the difference between the Executive and the LFA,

SID GROFF commented that they could live within the equipment figure.

ED BINGLER stated that some vehicles are hard to replace, such as pumping trucks.

SID GROFF stated that coming up next year there will be a couple additional items that should be added in there. They are two modules for the Lab Analytical Department at \$5,000 a piece.

VICTOR BURT stated that they do not buy out of their motor pool funds specialized types of vehicles that are specifically for a department such as seismic trucks, etc. The same for the Bureau, if they have a single-purpose vehicle, they have to generate revenue to get their own.

REP. THOFT moved to amend the motion that the committee accept the Executive recommendation for Equipment for \$60,000 for FY 82 and \$60,000 for FY 83, MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY,

CURT NICHOLS explained the Transfers. Discussion was held within the committee in regard to the Transfers.

The next discussion was in regard to the modifications.

GLEN LEAVITT gave the Executive recommendation for the Hydrogeological Research modification. The Executive did not recommend any of the other modifications. The LFA did not recommend any of the modifications.

SID GROFF gave a handout relating to the modifications (EXHIBIT B). Discussion was held regarding the Hydrogeological Research.

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REP. BENGTON moved to amend the motion and allow the Executive recommendation for the Hydrogeological Research funded for \$170,000 for FY 82 and \$170,500 for FY 83. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Next the committee discussed the Cooperative Groundwater Study.

SENATOR JACOBSON moved to amend the motion and accept the Board of Regent's recommendation for the Cooperative Groundwater Study for \$33,000 for each year of the biennium. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

SID GROFF explained each of the remaining modifications.

REP. BENGTON moved to not allow funding for the Mineral Resource Studies for \$52,400 for FY 82 and \$56,100 for FY 83. MOTION FAILED with REP. DONALDSON and REP. BENGTON affirmative.

SENATOR HAFLEY moved to fund the Mineral Resource Studies using the Board of Regent's recommendation for \$52,400 for FY 82 and \$52,100 for FY 83. MOTION PASSED with two, REP. BENGTON and REP. DONALDSON opposing.

Discussion was held in regard to the Energy-Mineral Research.

REP. THOFT moved that the committee amend the motion and allow funding for the Energy-Mineral Research for \$58,400 for FY 82 and \$59,300 for FY 83. MOTION FAILED on a tie vote with SENATOR JACOBSON, SENATOR HAFLEY and REP. THOFT affirmative.

Discussion was held in regard to the Geological Map Atlas. No amendment was made for that modification.

Discussion was held in regard to the Mineral Economic Study.

REP. THOFT moved to amend the motion and accept the Board of Regent's recommendation for the Mineral Economic Study for \$47,600 for FY 82 and \$49,200 for FY 83. MOTION PASSED with two, REP. BENGTON and SENATOR JACOBSON opposing.

The committee discussed the Seismic Monitoring and the Clerical Assistance. No amendment was made for those modifications.

Discussion was held in regard to the upgrading in the current level funding for Personal Services.

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BRUCE SHIVELY gave an overview for the School for the Deaf and Blind in regard to the pay scale,

TOM CROSSER explained that there were three issues;

- (1) the catch-up for the salaries
- (2) the division of the bargaining unit between the teachers and the non-teaching unit
- (3) if the base adjustment is made to the 1981 salaries, then what percentage increase would be allowed on that base and would it be tied to the pay plan

The Executive recommendation is that the Board of Education is the governing body and the legislature approves the funding for that organization. Whatever the position is in the legislature will be the governing factor.

BRUCE SHIVELY gave the LFA recommendation that the teachers as well as the non-teaching staff within the bargaining unit be given pay raises commensurate with all state employees. They do not support the catch-up.

LEROY SCHRAMM, Chief of the State Labor Relations Bureau stated that the issue is parity for other institutional teachers (Mountain View, Pine Hills). The teachers are holding out for parity (an average of Miles City and Helena). He stated that they have rejected that because they don't feel it is fair to give them 20% increases for the first year when other state employees are getting less than that. Mr. Schramm stated that they are insisting that they be given raises similar to state employees. The settlement now for most of the units is around 12%. The 12% includes the 2% annual step and also includes the \$10 per month for state insurance.

BOB DEMMING stated that compared with the other Class C schools, from 1 to 10, they are about 6 on the scale for salaries. And the teacher/student ratio is ten to one.

SENATOR HAFHEY moved that the committee support the actions of the Board of Public Education for both the teaching staff and the non-teaching staff.

A Roll Call Vote was taken, MOTION FAILED with SENATOR HAFHEY affirmative.

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REP. BENGTON moved to not approve the catch-up portion.
MOTION PASSED with SENATOR HAFLEY opposing.

Meeting adjourned at 11:55 a.m.


REP. GENE DONALDSON, Chairman

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BUREAU OF MINES

	1980 Actual	1980 LCA	1980 EXEC	1980 REGENTS	1981 LFA	1981 EXEC	1981 REGENTS
FTF	3502	3048	3038	3048	3048	3038	3048
NEWS SERV	34734	612632	645110	642673	612632	645110	642673
EQUIPMENT	165868	21523	203738	203738	231500	224426	224426
	151765	27074	60000	116428	29376	60000	180316
TRANSFERS	170504	857229	909248	1011839	873499	929736	1097415
		220105	190500	226591	239419	190500	479590
LESS "ONE TIME" HYDROLOGY		48400	50000	50000	53200	65000	65000
General Fund	1142871	1028938	1049748	1188130	1060227	1053436	1232005
OTHER FUNDS		887336	914748	1028430	904427	915436	1082005
		141600	135000	160000	155800	190000	150000
MODIFIEDS							
1) Hydrogeological Research			170000	170000		170500	181000
2) MINERAL RESOURCE STUDIES				52400			56100
3) ENERGY-MINERAL RESEARCH			FAVILED	58400			58300
4) COOPERATIVE Groundwater Study				33000			33000
5) Chemical Assistance			FAVILED	43000			42850
6) Geological Map ATLAS			FAVILED	48200			49800
7) Mineral Economic Study				47600			49200
8) SEISMIC MONITORING			FAVILED	24500			24500

FY 82

FY 83

Hydro

Maurice Miller

29860 22520 4960

2580

32550 32550 1.0

Wayne Van Vleet

2760 16135

11525

30150 30150 .78

John Sandwegger

25250 14729

10521

27520 27520 .78

Robert Burgartier

21860 14610

7250

22830 23830 .78

Pete Paschke

21470 21470

7250

23400 25400 .78

Tim Rother

17610 29646

19200

19200 19200 .78

Verly M. Maguire

11106 9329

12105

12105 12105 .78

Per. Ren.

154816 62513

16423

168755 168755 .78

Operations

26318 10627

5419

28688 28688 .78

Capital

28134 92140

37295

19743 19743 .78

Program Total

25000 98140

9000

39000 39000 .78

Operations

47000 47000

80000

80000 80000 .78

Capital

23000 11900

11900

31040 31040 .78

Verly M. Maguire

23000 1438

25080

25080 25080 .78

Per. Ren.

21000 6530

22890

22890 22890 .78

Verly M. Maguire

16150 9190

9555

134700 134700 .78

Verly M. Maguire

17263 15659

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22900 22900 .78

Verly M. Maguire

118813 167634

10179

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Operations

19600 19600

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Energy Min.

1	Robert Matara	27660	18440	9220	30450	30450	19200
2	Mark Miller	22470		13110	24490	14290	
3	Mary Cole	19700	13200	6500	21470	21470	
4	Sub Total	69830	31640	28830	76190	65910	10200
5	Pers. Ren. 17%	11870	5378	4901	12938	11204	1734
6	Total	81700	37018	33731	89048	77114	11934
7	Donations		2500			7200	77114 - 3
8	Capital					6000	40096 +
9	Program Total		39518			90314	(1.9) FT
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11							
12							
13	WELCH						
14	Bill Stumpf				9850	9850	
15	Perc. Ren. 15%				1675	1675	
16	Sub Total				11525	11525	
17	Donations				1000	1000	
18	Capital				1500	1500	
19	Program Total				14025	14025	(1) FTE
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