

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE JOINT APPROPRIATION SUBCOMMITTEE  
ON EDUCATION

February 17, 1981

The Executive Session meeting was called to order at 7:05 a.m. on Tuesday, January 17, 1981 by Chairman Donaldson in Room 104, Capitol Bldg., Helena, Montana.

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

Discussion was held in regard to enrollment projections for the Universities. The committee agreed to have the staff come together with a figure for a contingency fund for both years and use conservative enrollment projections.

CURT NICHOLS discussed the faculty compensation and salary by using average of peers and median of peers. (EXHIBIT A)

CURT NICHOLS discussed the Agricultural Experiment Station in regard to Dr. Jim Welsh's book prepared in reply to the committee's request for further information about their budget modification.

JOHN BEBEE, Fiscal Analyst, gave a briefing on the remaining items for the Vo-Tech that need to be acted upon. (EXHIBIT B)

Discussion was held in regard to the options for Personal Services, Operating Expense, and Equipment.

MAYNARD OLSON stated that he spoke with Mr. Freebourn, Butte Vo-Tech and he does not want funding for a summer program for FY 82 but would like to start the summer school FY 83. (EXHIBIT C & D) He also discussed the one and a half mill levy for Vo-Techs.

Discussion was held in regard to the one and a half mill levy and the committee agreed to include language in the bill.

REP. THOFT moved to accept the LFA recommendation, Option 1, a total of \$15,070,961 for the biennium for Personal Services, Operating Expenses, and Equipment for the Vo-Tech Centers. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Discussion was held in regard to a line item for Personal Services, Operating Expenses, and Equipment.

REP. BENGTON moved that Personal Services, Operating Expenses, and Equipment be a line item. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

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Discussion was held in regard to the loss of Federal Funds for the CETA Program at the Billing's Vo-Tech.

REP. BENGTON moved that the committee set up a 2% contingency fund which will be triggered by a 6% enrollment increase for each individual center. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

REP. BENGTON moved that the committee appropriate \$44,000 in 1982 for the loss of CETA funding for up to 30.5 FTE students who may chose to stay on based on the closure. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

REP. BENGTON moved that the committee give permission that if tuition is above the estimate than the centers can get a budget amendment and if it isn't up to the estimate they must absorb it. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Discussion was held in regard to local funding.

SENATOR JACOBSON moved that if the local millage is down we would feel it is appropriate for a supplemental and if it is above the estimate we would expect that to revert back to the General Fund. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Discussion was held in regard to federal revenue estimates.

JOHN BEBEE stated that the amount recommended by the LFA is \$2,508,000 and the Executive recommendation is \$2,400,000.

REP. THOFT moved that the committee accept the LFA recommendation for \$2,508,000 for the estimated federal revenue. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Discussion was held in regard to the increase of Federal Funds.

REP. BENGTON moved that if the Federal Funds excede the \$2,508,000 the remainder would revert to the General Fund, and if it is less than that amount, they absorb it within their own budget. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

CHAIRMAN DONALDSON summarized what the committee had acted upon.

BRUCE SHIVELY, Fiscal Analyst, gave his briefing on the funding for the Community Colleges.

Meeting adjourned at 11 a.m.

  
REP. GENE DONALDSON, Chairman

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USING COMPENSATION

	MT 80	Average Peers 80	% Increase	Median Peers 80
MSU	23893	25020	4.7	25930
UM	23373	25020	4.7	25930
EMC	21510	22540	4.8	22980
NMC	21510	20970	(2.5)	21000
WMC	21510	20970	(2.5)	21000
MEMST	22582	25570	13.2	25700

Median

	MT 80	NMC, WMC, EMC Peers 80	% Increase
	23373	25930	8.5
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	21510	24115	12.1
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	22582	25760	14.1

USING SALARY

	MT 80	Average Peers 80	% Increase	Median Peers 80
MSU	20650	21690	5.0	21950
UM	20650	21690	5.0	21950
EMC	18537	19550	5.5	19570
NMC	18537	18080	(2.5)	18250
WMC	18537	18080	(2.5)	18250
MEMST	19188	22670	16.3	22800

Median

	MT 80	NMC, WMC, EMC Peers 80	% Increase
	20650	21950	6.3
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	18537	20414	10.1
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	19188	22850	17.3

Subcommittee Formula 1070-157. Cape

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✓ Option I

Option II

Give cap on Appropriated  
 1981 level total budget.

Put cap on Personal Service +  
 Operating Expense - O Base Equip

Billings

Personal Service + Operating Exp.		2595246
Equipment		26968
<b>Total</b>	<b>2663829</b>	<b>2622214</b>

Butte

Personal Service + Operating Expense		2127235
Equipment		44300
<b>Total</b>	<b>2179811</b>	<b>2171535</b>

Great Falls

Personal Service + Operating Expense		2424340
Equipment		89100
<b>Total</b>	<b>2482377</b>	<b>2513440</b>

Helena

Personal Service + Operating Exp.		3698866
Equipment		124030
<b>Total</b>	<b>3788683</b>	<b>3822896</b>

Missoula

Personal Service + Operating Exp.		3862322
Equipment		139185
<b>Total</b>	<b>3956261</b>	<b>4001507</b>

Total System

Personal Service + Operating Exp.		
Equipment		
<b>Total</b>	<b>15070961</b>	<b>15131592</b>

Option I	\$ 15070961	LFA 14517581	E+CC 14738013
Option II	\$ 15131592		
Difference	\$ 60631		

February 9, 1981

Meeting with Vo Tech Center Directors

Information and agreements with Center Directors to be presented to Ed Argenbright, Gene Donaldson, John Beebe and Tom Crosser.

1. Use formula with caps for basic funding, including new equipment --
  - a. If possible, increase the 15% cap to 18% and continue the 10% cap for the second year of the biennium. In other words, phase into the formula for providing greater equity in funding, at an accelerated rate. The discrepancy in equitable funding is greater at the top funding level than it is at the bottom.
  - b. Fund additional needed equipment if funding is available.
  - c. Line-item or total allocation for personal services, operations and equipment.
2. Need for 1½ mills, from county where tech center located, to be mandatory legislation.
3. 2% contingency for funding of enrollment adjustments; i.e. CETA in Billings, summer school in Butte and normal growth at all centers in providing basic services.
4. Take a look at general fund allocations for post-secondary vo ed centers since 1976.

Decrease in State funding --

Increase in tuitions --

5. Shortfalls in federal, state and local funding -- how will the Legislature handle these, if they occur?



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Ed Argenbright  
Superintendent

February 11, 1981

To: Center Directors

From: Larry C. Key

Re: Enclosure

Please review the enclosed summary of postsecondary information for the years 1976 to 1981 and respond if you so desire.

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enc.

cc: District Superintendents  
Ed Argenbright  
Bill Ball, MACVE  
Maynard Olson ✓

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VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL CENTERS APPROPRIATED BUDGETS BY FUNDING SOURCE COMPARISONS FOR FY 70-81

	<u>FY 76</u>	<u>FY 77</u>	<u>FY 78</u>	<u>FY 79</u>	<u>FY 80</u>	<u>FY 81</u>	<u>% Inc. for 6 Years</u>	<u>**Rec. LFA FY 82</u>	<u>Rec. LFA FY 83</u>
State General Funds	\$3,616,319	\$4,245,790	\$3,435,682	\$3,607,039	\$3,593,896	\$3,797,131	5%	\$4,208,337	\$4,605,321
Federal Funds	734,856	994,593	1,115,773	1,131,589	1,113,328	1,113,328	52%	1,200,000	1,308,000
Local Millage	386,500	405,477	432,600	483,200	635,280	801,510	107%	831,632	874,710
Student Fees or Tuition	123,585	144,734	281,036	284,716	629,234	629,234	409%	705,963	783,618
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$4,861,260</b>	<b>\$5,790,594</b>	<b>\$5,265,091</b>	<b>\$5,506,544</b>	<b>\$5,971,738</b>	<b>\$6,341,203</b>	<b>30% + 6 years</b>	<b>\$6,945,932</b>	<b>\$7,571,649</b>

5% per year

Cost of student fees or tuition per quarter	\$40	\$40	\$40	\$40	\$40	\$80		**\$90	\$100
Student contact hours	2,162,761	2,347,346	2,301,157	2,256,125	2,153,590	*2,476,629	15% increase		

\*The FY 81 level of student contact hours is estimated at a projected 15 percent increase over FY 80.

\*\*Recommendation from LFA FY 82 and FY 83 is from page 473 of the Legislative Analyst Report to the 1981 Legislature.

\*\*\*Recommendation from LFA from page 475 of the Legislative Analyst Report to the 1981 Legislature.