

MINUTES OF THE MEETING
INSTITUTIONS AND CULTURAL
EDUCATION SUBCOMMITTEE
50TH LEGISLATIVE SESSION
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

January 6, 1987

The first meeting of the Institutions and Cultural Education Subcommittee was called to order in room 202-A of the State Capitol by Chairman Ron Miller on January 6, 1987 at 8:08 a.m.

ROLL CALL: All members were present as were Keith Wolcott, senior analyst for the Legislative Fiscal Analyst, (LFA) and Alice Omang, secretary.

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ORIENTATION:

Chairman Miller announced that the committee was going to tour the central office of the Department of Institutions this morning and they were going to the mental health centers in Helena tomorrow. He also advised that a tour was planned of the Youth Evaluation Program (YEP), the School for the Deaf and Blind, the Easter Seal facility (which teaches the developmentally disabled), and the Pre-Release Center in Great Falls on Saturday, January 10. See itinerary (exhibit 1).

Representative Miller informed the committee that the legislature may be studying the impact that vacancy savings has on the state, and on small agencies in particular, and this issue may come to this committee.

Representative Menahan said that he and Tom Gomez, Legislative Researcher for the Legislative Council, met with the staff at Warm Springs and there was a bad report from the Board of Visitors from Warm Springs and one of the things that led to the demise of good treatment and care of the patients has been vacancy savings. He indicated that there were only two doctors for approximately 300 patients and one of the doctors is 72 years old. He advised that Sandy Hill,

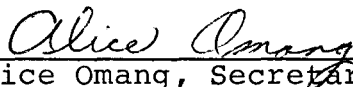
a young girl just out of school, told them that she could get relieved of her duties by writing to the school and letting them know what the state of Montana is doing to her - working her seven days a week and being on call and she indicated that they were only 'warehousing' the people there.

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ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, the first hearing was adjourned at 8:30 a.m.



RON MILLER, Chairman



Alice Omang, Secretary

EXHIBIT 1
DATE 1/6/87
MS Rep. M. Heik

ITINERARY FOR APPROPRIATIONS SUB-
COMMITTEE ON INSTITUTIONS

January 10, 1987

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| 8:00 A. M. | Meet at south door of capitol and leave for Great Falls |
| 10:00 A.M. | Arrive at Youth Evaluation Program |
| to | |
| 11:00 A.M. | Tour |
| 11:00 A.M. | Leave for tour of Montana School for the Deaf and Blind |
| 1:30 P.M. | Tour Easter Seal |
| 2:30 P.M. | Tour Great Falls Pre-Release Center |
| 3:30 P.M. | Leave for Helena |

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MONTANA COUNCIL OF MENTAL HEALTH CENTERS

**MONTANA
MENTAL HEALTH
CENTERS**

512 Logan
Helena, Mt. 59601
(406) 442-7808

SUBCOMMITTEE ITINERARY - WEDNESDAY, 1/7/87

TOUR OF MENTAL HEALTH CENTER,

MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES, INC.

REGION I

EASTERN MONTANA COMMUNITY
MENTAL HEALTH CENTER
1819 Main Street
Miles City, Montana 59301
(232-0234)

REGION II

GOLDEN TRIANGLE COMMUNITY
MENTAL HEALTH CENTER
Holiday Village Shopping Center
P.O. Box 3048
Great Falls, Montana 59403
(761-2100)

REGION III

MENTAL HEALTH CENTER
1245 North 29th Street
Billings, Montana 59101
(252-2882)

REGION IV

MENTAL HEALTH
SERVICES, INC.
512 Logan
Helena, Montana 59601
(442-0310)

REGION V

WESTERN MONTANA COMMUNITY
MENTAL HEALTH CENTER
Fort Missoula T-12
Missoula, Montana 59801
(728-6870)

1. 8:30 AM - 9:30 AM Outpatient & Regional Office, 512 Logan
David Briggs, Executive Director; Dr. Richard Emery,
Clinical Director
2. 9:40 AM - 10:30 AM Adolescent Day Treatment Program, 118
Placer - Donna Hale, Program Coordinator
3. 10:40 AM - 11:10 AM T House, 1101 Missoula Avenue - Nancy
Adams, Alternative Services Coordinator
4. 11:20 AM - 12:00 AM Montana House, 422 N. Last Chance
Gulch - Nancy Adams, Alternative Services Coordinator
5. 12:00 AM - 1:00 AM Lunch - Montana House

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When all else is lost, the future still remains.—Bovee