

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 55th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

JOINT SUBCOMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

Call to Order: By CHAIRMAN ROYAL C. JOHNSON, on January 13, 1997, at 8:00 am, in room 312-2 at the State Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Royal C. Johnson, Chairman (R)
Sen. Daryl Toews, Vice-Chairman (R)
Rep. Don Holland (R)
Sen. Greg Jergeson (D)
Sen. Ken Miller (R)
Rep. Ray Peck (D)

Members Excused: None

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Bob Tallerico, Legislative Fiscal Division
Connie Jacobs, Committee Secretary

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing(s) & Date(s) Posted: Arts Council and the State
Library 1/13/97.
Executive Action: None.

HEARING ON THE BOARD OF PUBLIC EDUCATION AND THE MONTANA ARTS COUNCIL

Opening remarks were made by CHAIRMAN ROYAL C. JOHNSON, welcoming members of the Board of Education and the Montana Arts Council.

REP. RAY PECK handed out his personal list of questions which still remained after hearing testimony for the Montana University System.

EXHIBIT A

Mr. Wayne Buchanan, Executive Secretary of the Board of Public Education (BPE), discussed past and present roles of the BPE and its goals, including developing performance-based accreditation and certification of members in the school system.

EXHIBIT B

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Questions from members of the committee.

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Bob Tallerico, Legislative Fiscal Analyst, explained the funding of Board of Public Education program and the state special revenue (page E-22), and discussed issues with the budget.

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EXHIBIT B1

Questions and comments from the committee regarding budget issues.

EXHIBIT C

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Continued discussion regarding Board of Public Education proposals and fund expenditures.

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Ms. Arlene Fishbaugh, Director of the Arts Council, provided an overview of the Arts Council and highlighted its top five priorities. **Ms. Fishbaugh** also elaborated on the difference between the funding for Cultural Trusts, which goes to non-arts organizations, and the funding of the Arts Council.

EXHIBIT D, D1 AND D2, (3 pages)

EXHIBIT E

EXHIBIT F

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Ms. Fishbaugh presented testimony for **Mr. Bill Frazier, Chairman of the Arts Council**, who could not be present due to the weather.

EXHIBIT G

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Ms. Fishbaugh continued with arts agencies salaries, the application of the arts in Kids at Risk Program in Idaho, the residency program, FTE funding, discussion of the budget and the impacts of no funding.

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Mr. Tallerico, explained the Arts Council budget, on pages E-38 and E-39, and issues with the budget.

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Mr. Curtis Nichols, Office of Budget Planning Program, provided the Governor's recommendation for funding the Arts Council, followed by questions and comments from the committee.


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Continued questions and comments from the committee regarding Arts Council budget and funding.

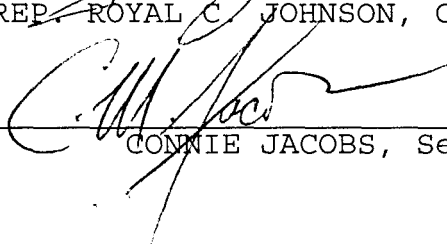
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ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: This meeting was adjourned at 11:20 am.



REP. ROYAL C. JOHNSON, Chairman



CONNIE JACOBS, Secretary

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Note: This meeting was recorded on three (3) 60 minute tapes.