

SENATE WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Meeting
February 3, 1964

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Chairman Smith on February 3, 1964. All members were present. Also present was Budget Director Mr. Bibb.

The Honorable C. B. Katiti, M.P. from Uganda in East Africa was a guest of the committee as an observer. He addressed the committee briefly, telling a little of his country and thanking the committee for the opportunity to attend the meeting.

Senator Smith presented the subcommittee report on Higher Education Institution and Board of Regents. Senator Smith made the motion that the report be adopted and the bill drafted in accordance. Senator Sanborn seconded the motion. (See Att. 1).

In regard to the Wichita State University budget, Senator Farmer noted that based on indicated enrollments next year Wichita would need new positions which had not been allowed by the Board of Regents. Also he noted that it has just come to his attention that the classified people there would lose their vacation and sick benefits when they came under the state system.

In regard to this and other proposals suggested, it was pointed out that the Committee had traditionally followed a policy of not giving more than an agency requests, in this case no more than the Board of Regents has requested for its institutions.

Senator Saar made the motion that \$6400 be added to the budget of Kansas State College of Pittsburg for student help salary increase. The motion was seconded by Senator Glades. The motion failed.

Senator Farmer made the motion that provision be made in the present bill to take care of protecting the vacation and sick leave benefits of classified personnel at Wichita State University. Senator Glades seconded the motion. The motion failed.

Senator Farmer made the motion that the bill be amended to include the addition of \$3,000 to raise the starting salary allowed for 6 new positions which were allowed at Wichita from \$7,000 to \$7,500. Senator Saar seconded the motion. The motion failed.

Senator Harper made the motion that the general revenue funds requested be increased by \$325,000 to be allocated to build the Chemistry Laboratory building at Kansas State University. The motion died for lack of a second.

Senator Smith repeated his original motion that the subcommittee report be adopted and the bill drafted in accordance. The motion was seconded by Senator Sanborn and the motion carried. (Att. 1) Senator Farmer voted no in regard to the section dealing with the budget of the Wichita State University because he did not think the report accurately reflected the true situation when it stated no additional funds would be needed.

Senator Glades presented the subcommittee report for the Board for Vocational Education and recommended and made the motion that the report be adopted and the bill be drafted in accordance. His motion was seconded by Senator Saar. (See Att. 2)

Senator Glades stated that the subcommittee felt that the Legislature had passed legislation last session setting up this area-vocational-technical program and on the strength of that, several areas had voted money and started schools, and that enough money to carry out the program should now be appropriated.

After a discussion the question was called for and the motion carried.

Senator Ward presented the subcommittee report on the Director of Penal Institutions providing that the budget be approved as recommended by the Governor with the deletion of \$1,500,000 for the start of a new prison facility. (See Att. 3)

In answer to a question as to any provision for emergency needs, Senator Warren stated that 340 prisoners could be handled by putting 200 at the Women's farm, moving the women to Atchison, 100 going to honor camps and 40 to the Reception and Diagnostic Center.

Senator Ward presented a minority report providing for the deletion of \$1,500,000 for the prison facility and adding \$216,000 which had been estimated by the Director of Penal Institution as sufficient to set up temporary quarters in the event of an emergency. It was noted that this money could be used to open a temporary facility at Parsons, but this was not specifically recommended in the report. Senator Ward moved the minority report be adopted as an amendment to the subcommittee report. (See Att. 4)

Senator Warren stated that in earlier discussions, it was not clear if an open lease could be obtained for the Parsons facility and since that time he had determined that it was possible to obtain such a lease and for that reason, he seconded the amendment. Senator Harper, third member of the subcommittee also spoke in favor of the amendment to allow the \$216,000 for emergency relief, should such need arise. The motion carried.

Senator Ward moved the subcommittee report as amended be adopted and the bill drafted in accordance. Senator Harper seconded the motion. The motion carried.

In the afternoon session, Senator Smith presented the subcommittee report on the Kansas Research Foundation and moved the adoption of the report and that a bill be drafted in accordance. Senator Hults seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Senator Hults made the motion the action on the Vocational Education budget be reconsidered for the purpose of putting a limitation on the number of schools to be started in fiscal year 1965. The number to be limited to no more than eight previously approved.

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Senator Farmer seconded the motion. The motion failed.

It was moved by Senator Sanborn and seconded by Senator Hults that a bill be introduced to provide for the Intangibles Tax Levy for 1965. The motion carried.

Senator Van Sickle presented the subcommittee report of the Park and Resources Authority and moved the report be adopted and a bill be drafted in accordance. (See Att. 6.) The motion was seconded by Senator Jones.

Senator Glades moved that the report be amended to reinstate \$187,463 as recommended by the Governor for the Cheney project, which the subcommittee had deleted in its report. Senator Farmer seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Senator Jones made the motion that appropriations requested by the agency, but not allowed by the Governor, for state park facilities at Norton, Meade and Crawford.

The motion was seconded by Senator Farmer and the motion failed.

The question was called for on the original motion as amended. The motion carried.

The committee recessed at 1:30 p.m.



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