

M I N U T E S

Planning Subcommittee Meeting

LEGISLATIVE EDUCATIONAL PLANNING
COMMITTEE (1202 COMMISSION)

September 21, 1976

Members Present

Senator Joseph Harder, Chairman
Representative Don Crumbaker, Vice-Chairman
Representative Roger Robertson

Staff Present

Phill Jones, Director, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Carolyn Rampey, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Nancy Mata, Administrative Assistant to Senator Harder

Planning subcommittee members of the Legislative Educational Planning Committee (1202 Commission) met with staff to discuss the future of the Committee and help prepare the FY 1978 Committee budget.

Committee Activities

The meeting began with a general discussion of Committee activities. Representative Crumbaker noted that the Committee has been instrumental in bringing about more cooperation between the State Board of Regents and the State Board of Education. As an example, he cited concerns expressed by the Board of Education regarding associate degrees awarded by the Regents' institutions. At the suggestion of the Committee, the Board of Education and the Board of Regents met and are beginning to arrive at an understanding concerning the two-year programs offered by the Regents' institutions.

There was general agreement that the mere existence of the Committee makes the various segments of postsecondary education more conscious of their need to coordinate their roles.

Representative Robertson questioned the value of undertaking Committee projects in the absence of long-range plans, comparable data, and clearly defined roles for each postsecondary segment. He mentioned off-campus and extension programs offered by community colleges and said the question of which educational segment offers community based programs has never been resolved.

Interest was expressed in pursuing the matter of community college off-campus and extension programs and the staff was instructed to gather material. The possibility of asking the Board of Regents and the Board of Education to meet jointly for the purpose of developing guidelines applicable to all off-campus and extension offerings was also discussed.

Regarding the matter of data collection and NCHEMS, there was general agreement that a uniform data base is necessary in order to be able to develop long-range plans. It was agreed that the Committee should resume its data collection activities by hiring staff in the Legislative Research Department who would provide the overall coordination of data collection activities and assist individual institutions, particularly the community colleges, in implementing various NCHEMS products.

It was noted that institutions under the Board of Regents have already begun to implement NCHEMS products. Discussion centered on the best way to assist institutions under the Board of Education in implementing similar systems. A consensus was reached that the State Department of Education should be encouraged to develop its own resources and funding to assist its schools, rather than fund the effort by the 1202 Commission. The role of the 1202 Commission would be to support the State Department's efforts, provide overall direction, and receive progress reports.

Committee Staff

Representative Robertson asked if consideration had been given to hiring a separate staff for the 1202 Commission instead of using staff from the Legislative Research Department.

Senator Harder said having a separate office and staff had been considered at one time but the idea had been vetoed by the Legislative Coordinating Council. He said staffing the Committee from the Legislative Research Department enabled the Committee to use existing facilities and support services. He said he did not see separate staffing as a possibility, particularly considering the Governor's position regarding the creation of new agencies.

The decision was made by the subcommittee to enlarge the staff assigned to the 1202 Commission by hiring in the Legislative Research Department a data collection specialist and an educational planning specialist. The data collection specialist would help coordinate data collection activities and assist institutions in implementing NCHEMS products. The educational planner would prepare an inventory of long-range plans of various postsecondary institutions and would assist the Committee in developing a coordinated plan for all segments of postsecondary education.

Budgets for FY 1977 and FY 1978

For FY 1977, expenditures amounting to \$140,386 have been approved. The budget will be funded from reappropriated state money (\$92,996) and federal money for state 1202 Commissions (\$47,390).

Subcommittee members and staff reviewed the items for which expenditures have been approved and, in some cases, revised the figures. Both the approved and revised figures for FY 1977 are shown in Table I.

TABLE I
FY 1977 BUDGET BY PURPOSE

<u>Purpose</u>	<u>As Approved</u>	<u>As Revised</u>
Commission Support	\$ 24,000	\$ 24,000
Enrollment Projections	1,600	2,000
Facilities Study	7,500	15,000
Nursing Education	2,900	5,000
Data Collection Activities and NCHEMS	61,886	30,000 ¹
Postsecondary Educational Planning	--	20,000 ²
Staff Support and Unallocated Projects	42,500	44,386
TOTAL	<u>\$140,386</u>	<u>\$140,386</u>

¹Includes salary for data collection specialist (\$18,000-\$20,000).

²Includes salary for educational planning specialist (\$16,000).

With the exception of the nursing education study which will be completed in FY 1977, Committee activities underway in FY 1977 will be continued in FY 1978. The proposed budget for FY 1978 is shown in Table II.

TABLE II
FY 1978 PROPOSED BUDGET BY PURPOSE

<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Proposed Expenditures</u>
Commission Support	\$ 24,000
Enrollment Projections	2,000
Facilities Study	7,500
Data Collection Activities and NCHEMS	37,000
Staff Support and Unallocated Projects	74,500
TOTAL	<u>\$145,000</u>

The proposed budget for FY 1978 will require an appropriation of \$75,000 in state money, a reappropriation of \$20,000 in state money not expected to be spent in FY 1977, and an estimated \$50,000 in federal money.

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Approved by the Committee on:

September 28, 1976
(Date)