

MINUTES

LEGISLATIVE COORDINATING COUNCIL

July 6, 2009

Members present:

President Steve Morris, Chairperson
Speaker Mike O'Neal, Vice-Chairperson
Senator Derek Schmidt, Majority Leader
Senator Anthony Hensley, Minority Leader
Representative Arlen Siegfroid, Speaker Pro Tem
Representative Paul Davis, Minority Leader

The meeting was called to order by President Morris at 10:10 a.m. in Room 545-N, State Capitol.

CONSENT AGENDA

Speaker O'Neal moved that the minutes of the June 4, 2009, meeting be approved. Representative Siegfroid seconded the motion and the motion carried.

REPORT OF SUBCOMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATION

Speaker O'Neal reported to the Council the recommendations of the Subcommittee on Administration. The subcommittee recommends that the Council:

1. Establish special committees and assign study topics as follows:

• **Special Committee on KTEC**

Membership: Thirteen members (nine from the House of Representatives, six majority party members appointed by the House Speaker and three minority party members appointed by the House Minority Leader; and four from the Senate, three majority party members appointed by the Senate President and one minority party member appointed by the House Minority Leader)

Chair: Senate member designated by the President.

Meeting Days: Two days

Topic: *Kansas Technology Enterprise Corporation - KTEC.* Review the most efficient structure to create and grow Kansas enterprises through technological innovation. Study the current operations and funding of KTEC. Review the recent Kansas, Inc., evaluation of KTEC.

• **Special Committee on Judiciary**

Membership: Nine members (six from House of Representatives, four majority party members appointed by the House Speaker and two minority party members appointed by the House Minority Leader; and three from the Senate, two majority party members appointed by the Senate President and one minority party member appointed by the Senate Minority Leader).

Chair: House member designated by the Speaker.

Meeting Days: Two days

Topic: *Kansas Open Records Act.* Conduct any statutorily required legislative review of existing exceptions to the Kansas Open Records Act that are scheduled for expiration in the coming year. In recent years, the Legislature has undertaken a comprehensive review of the Open Records Act in order to determine if any statutory exceptions to the law are unnecessary and could be discontinued. 2009 Senate Bill No. 34 extended the existence of 30 statutory exceptions to the Kansas Open Records Act until July 1, 2014.

- **Special Committee on Transportation**

Membership: Thirteen members (eight from House of Representatives, five majority party members appointed by the House Speaker and three minority party members appointed by the House Minority Leader; and five from the Senate, four majority party members appointed by the Senate President and one minority party member appointed by the Senate Minority Leader).

Chair: Senate member designated by the President.

Meeting Days: Three days.

Topic: *Comprehensive Transportation Plan.* Study the need and potential financing mechanisms for a new Comprehensive Transportation Plan. Review the status of the current Comprehensive Transportation Plan. Examine 2009 Senate Bill No. 323 and 2009 House Bill No. 2382 which deal with creating a new Comprehensive Transportation Plan.

- **Special Committee on Utilities**

Membership: Nine members (six from House of Representatives, four majority party members appointed by the House Speaker and two minority party members appointed by the House Minority Leader; and three from the Senate, two majority party members appointed by the Senate President and one minority party member appointed by the Senate Minority Leader).

Chair: Senate member designated by the President.

Meeting Days: Two days.

Topic: *Text Message Reception for the 911 Emergency System.* Review the new 911 emergency system technology that would allow text, pictures, video and data to be transmitted to emergency 911 centers in Kansas. Also, review the possible extension of grant funding that is currently scheduled to sunset in July, 2010, for 911 emergency services for counties with a population of less than 75,000.

2. Refer study topics to joint and other interim committees as follows:

- **Joint Committee on Energy and Environmental Policy**

Topic: *Moving Energy Efficiency Programs to an Independent Administrator.* Review the possibility of moving energy efficiency programs from regulated utilities to an independent administrator. Also, study 2009 Senate Bill No. 284 which would create a not-for-profit organization whose sole purpose would be to achieve reductions in energy use by increasing the level of cost effective energy efficiency, conservation and education available to Kansas citizens.

- **Legislative Budget Committee**

Topic: *City and County Consolidation.* Review 2009 Senate Bill No. 75 which deals with city and county consolidation. The bill would create a consolidation study commission to develop a plan for city and county consolidation anywhere in the state. The bill also would authorize the consolidation of other political and taxing subdivisions.

3. Approve the following interim committee meeting days during the 2009 interim period*:

Recommended Meeting Days	Joint Committee/Commission
6	Administrative Rules and Regulations
0	Arts and Cultural Resources
6	Budget, Legislative
0	Children's Issues
6	Claims
4	Corrections and Juvenile Justice Oversight
0	Economic Development
0	Eminent Domain in Condemnation of Water Rights
4	Energy and Environmental Policy
1	Health Care Stabilization
2	Health Policy Oversight
3	Home and Community Based Services Oversight
4	Information Technology (JCIT)
2	Kansas security
4	Legislative Educational Planning Committee (LEPC)
2	Parole Board Oversight
3	Pensions, Investments and Benefits
0	Special Education Task Force
1	State Employee Pay Plan Oversight
0	State-Tribal Relations
6**	State Building Construction
6	2010 Commission

* Includes meeting days in May or June except for meetings held June 4 (sine die)

** 3 of 6 meeting days permitted to be outside Topeka

4. Make the following appointments:

- Kansas Interagency Coordinating Council on Early Childhood Development
 - Senator Kelly
 - Representative Craft
- Legislative Budget Committee (Representative Yoder/Senator Emler appointed chair/vice chair in June)
 - Senator Vratil
 - Senator Kelly
 - Representative Watkins
 - Representative Whitham
 - Representative Feuerborn
- Legislative Educational Planning Commission (Senator Schodorf/Representative Horst appointed chair/vice chair in June)
 - Senator Teichman
 - Senator Marshall
 - Senator Taddiken
 - Senator Francisco

- Representative Horst
 - Representative Huebert
 - Representative Pottorff
 - Representative Donohoe
 - Representative Ballard
 - Representative Winn
 - Representative Phelps
 - Midwestern Higher Education Commission
 - Senator Francisco
 - Representative Rhodes
 - Senator Schodorf - - alternate
 - Representative Baliard - - alternate
5. Approve renewal of the current subscription to VoteTracker for 1 year at a reduced rate of \$68,062.
 6. Authorize Jeff Russell, Director of Legislative Administrative Services, to enter into a three-year contract with Don Heiman to continue as Chief Legislative Information Officer at the current rate of compensation.
 7. Authorize the chair to execute a contract with the State Historic Preservation Officer to accept and administer grant moneys to produce a historical structures use report for the Dillon House.
 8. Authorize Mr. Russell to enter into a three-year lease of 125 laptops for legislators from Dell.
 9. Establish those holidays designated by the governor for executive branch personnel for calendar year 2010, including one discretionary day, as holidays for legislative personnel.

Speaker O'Neal moved that the recommendations of the Subcommittee be approved. Representative Siegfried seconded the motion and the motion carried.

REPORT OF STEERING COMMITTEE FOR CAPITOL RESTORATION

Barry Greis, Statehouse Architect, presented the June 29, 2009, report of the Steering Committee for Capitol Restoration. The Steering Committee made recommendations regarding: (1) Temporary use of space during the 2010 and 2011 legislative sessions; (2) temporary use of rooms for redistricting beginning with the 2011 session; (3) permanent room assignments for offices which are part of the north wing, visitor center and rotunda construction; (4) temporary location of the State Library in a temporary location on the statehouse grounds; (5) reassignment of legislative offices in the Docking State Office Building. Representative Davis moved that the report of the Steering Committee be approved. Speaker O'Neal seconded the motion and the motion carried.

OTHER MATTERS

The Council agreed to hear from The Konrath Group, LTD., regarding a proposal for a process assessment of the status of the Statehouse Restoration Project at the September Council meeting.

In addition, Randy Hearrell, Executive Director of the Kansas Judicial Council, presented to Speaker O'Neal a resolution, adopted by the Judicial Council, honoring the Speaker for his 16 years' service as a member of the Judicial Council.

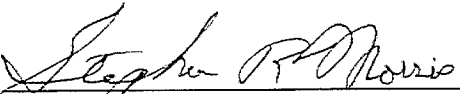
Prior to the meeting members of the Council received draft minutes for the June 4, 2009, Legislative Coordinating Council meeting; a memorandum from Mary Torrence concerning a court case update; requested interim studies from Alan Conroy; a memorandum from Alan Conroy on interim joint committee days; a letter requesting eight interim days for the Joint Committee on Energy and Environment; a letter requesting eight interim days for the Home and Community Based Services Oversight Committee; a letter requesting five meeting days on behalf of the Joint Committee on Kansas Security; a subscription renewal proposal for VoteTracker; and the contract for Chief Legislative Information Technology Officer.

On motion the meeting was adjourned.

Prepared by

Mary Ann Torrence,
Revisor of Statutes,
as Secretary

Approved by



President Stephen Morris, Chairperson