

MINUTES

LEGISLATIVE COORDINATING COUNCIL

September 3, 2009

Members present:

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

The meeting was called to order by President Morris at 11:03 a.m. in Room 545-N, State Capitol.

CONSENT AGENDA

Speaker O'Neal moved that the minutes of the June 4, 2009, meeting be corrected and be approved as corrected. Representative Siegfried seconded the motion and the motion carried. Speaker O'Neal moved that the minutes of the July 6, 2009, meeting be approved. Representative Davis 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. Approve the general instructions for preparation of the FY 2010 (revised) and FY 2011 (requested) budgets of the Legislature, Legislative Coordinating Council and legislative staff agencies. Consistent with the governor's direction to executive branch agencies, no step movement or base salary increase would be included in the budget request for employees. The budget request would include longevity bonus increases for eligible employees and fringe benefit rate adjustments. Legislator compensation and nonsession expense amounts would be budgeted at the current rate, except subsistence would increase from \$109 per day to \$116 per day effective October 1, 2009. The current year available budgets would be reduced 2.0%, the same amount as the governor's allotments imposed on executive branch agencies. The budgets of the Legislature, Legislative Coordinating Council and Legislative Research Department would include appropriate funding in their FY 2011 budgets for preliminary work for the 2012 redistricting. Also included would be funding for the next phase of the legislative computerization project.
2. Increase the number of members of the Special Committee on Transportation from 13 to 18. The President, the Minority Leader of the Senate and the Minority Leader of the House of

Representatives would each appoint one additional member and the Speaker would appoint two additional members.

3. Create a six-member Redistricting Advisory Group to begin preliminary preparations for the 2012 redistricting of legislative districts, State Board of Education districts and congressional districts following the 2010 federal census. There would be three members from the Senate and three members from the House of Representatives. The President and the Speaker would each appoint two members and the Minority Leader of the Senate and the Minority Leader of the House of Representatives would each appoint one member. The Advisory Group would be authorized to meet in Topeka as it deems necessary.
4. Authorize the Director of Legislative Administrative Services to sign, on behalf of the Council, a memorandum of understanding with the Secretary of State that the Legislature will fund, up to a maximum of \$75,000, federal census database adjustments for military and college students, a preliminary step required for 2012 redistricting.
5. Authorize members of the Senate Standing Committee on Utilities, House Standing Committee on Utilities, Senate Standing Committee on Natural Resources, House Standing Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources and Joint Committee on Energy and Environmental Policy to be reimbursed for actual expenses (registration, hotel, mileage, turnpike fees and meals) of attending the Energy Council meeting to be held September 23-26, 2009, in Wichita.
6. Approve the following additional interim committee meeting days: Special Committee on Transportation, one day; Legislative Educational Planning Committee, one day; 2010 Commission, one day; Joint Committee on Children's Issues, two days; and Joint Committee on Energy and Environmental Policy, one day.
7. Authorize the chairperson to send a letter to the Kansas Health Institute requesting the Institute to assist in the development and operation of a Kansas Legislative Health Caucus for all legislators and a Kansas Legislative Health Academy which would consist of 12 legislators. Legislative leadership would recommend as possible members approximately 30 legislators who would benefit from attending the Health Academy. The Health Institute would provide compensation and subsistence for legislators who are members of the Academy.
8. Approve the recommendation of Jeff Russell, Director of Legislative Administrative Services, that the price for the document mailing packet service (calendars, journals, bills and supplemental notes) and the free distribution levels for the 2010 legislative session remain the same they were as for the 2009 session.
9. Approve the recommendation of Pat Saville, Secretary of the Senate, and Susan Kannarr, Chief Clerk of the House, that the charge for each volume of the 2009 Senate and House Journals be fixed at \$40, the same price as last year, plus tax and handling and that 235 sets of the Journals be printed, down from 250 last year.
10. Approve contracts between the Council and the Information Network of Kansas (INK) and the Revisor of Statutes and INK for the provision of information to INK and authorize the chairperson and the Revisor to sign the respective contracts. The contracts would be identical to last year's contracts except for updated dates and a change in the term of the Revisor of

Statutes' contract (previously expiring October 1) to coincide with the term of the Council's contract (expiring October 31).

Representative Merrick moved that the Council consider recommendation number six separately. Representative Siegfried seconded the motion and the motion carried. Representative Davis moved that recommendation number six be approved. The motion died for lack of a second. Speaker O'Neal moved that all recommendations of the Subcommittee except number six be approved. Senator Schmidt seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Representative Merrick moved that the Council authorize payment of Representative Colloton's legislative compensation and travel expenses for attendance at meetings of the Board of Directors of the Council of State Governments Justice Center. Representative Colloton is vice chairperson of the Board. Speaker O'Neal seconded the motion and the motion carried.

The next meeting of the Legislative Coordinating Council was scheduled for October 13, 2009.

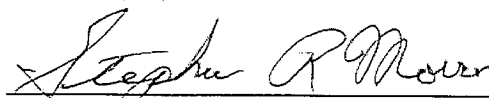
In addition to matters related to the agenda of the Council and Subcommittee, members of the Council received the following written materials: Annual reports of out-of-state travel for fiscal year 2009 by staff of the Kansas Legislative Research Department, the Office of Revisor of Statutes and Legislative Administrative Services; and a court case update from the Office of Revisor of Statutes.

On motion the meeting was adjourned.

Prepared by

Mary Ann Torrence,
Revisor of Statutes,
as Secretary

Approved by



President Stephen Morris, Chairperson