

MINUTES
LEGISLATIVE COORDINATING COUNCIL

November 19, 2010

Members participating:

Speaker Michael O'Neal, Chairperson
President Steve Morris, Vice Chairperson
Senator Anthony Hensley, Minority Leader
Representative Ray Merrick, Majority Leader
Representative Arlen Siegfroid, Speaker Pro Tem
Representative Paul Davis, Minority Leader

The meeting was called to order by Speaker O'Neal at 11:05 a.m. in Room 548-S, Statehouse. Representative Siegfroid participated in the meeting by telephone conference call.

1. Representative Davis moved that the minutes of the Legislative Coordinating Council meeting held on October 21, 2010, be approved. President Morris seconded the motion. The motion carried.
2. Alan Conroy, Director of Legislative Research, presented the proposed fiscal year 2012 budgets for the Legislature, the Legislative Coordinating Council, the Legislative Research Department, the Office of the Revisor of Statutes and the Division of Post Audit. Consistent with the governor's direction to executive agencies, no step movement or base salary increase are included in the budget requests. The budget requests include longevity bonus increases for eligible employees. President Morris moved to approve the budgets as submitted. Representative Davis seconded the motion. The motion carried.
3. Mary Torrence, Revisor of Statutes, presented the following proposed amendment to the LCC out-of-state travel policy (new language underlined):

There shall be a moratorium on out-of-state travel by legislators, legislative staff, central staff agencies and leadership staff, with the following exceptions:

- Legislators, legislative staff, employees of central staff agencies and leadership staff who are officers of, who serve as chair or vice chair of a committee of, or who serve on the executive committee of a legitimate, recognized legislative organization (i.e., NCSL, CSG, ALEC, NCOIL, the Energy Council, etc.) are permitted to travel to meetings of such organization at state expense.
- Legislators who are leaders in an organization described above may attend multiple meetings of the same organization without leadership approval.
- Legislators are permitted to travel at state expense when representing the state in their official capacity at the request of the Legislative Coordinating Council, President of the Senate, Speaker of the House of Representatives or Governor.
- Legislators who are not officers or executive committee members but are members of a committee or task force of an organization described above may have registration for meetings of such committee or task force paid by the state but are not eligible for reimbursement of any other travel expenses.
- Legislators who do not qualify for an exemption but want to attend an out-of-state meeting may legitimately use campaign funds to cover the associated travel expenses.
- Legislative staff, employees of central staff agencies and leadership staff are permitted to travel at state expense to meetings of organizations described above if they are attending for staff training.

President Morris moved to approve the proposed amendment. Representative Davis seconded the motion. The motion carried.

4. Mr. Conroy presented requests made by committees and commissions for additional interim meeting days. The Joint Committee on Health Policy Oversight requested one additional day, the Kansas DUI Commission requested two additional days and the Capitol Preservation Committee requested one additional day. Mr. Conroy said that currently 68 meeting days had been approved, out of the maximum 80 authorized by law to be approved. President Morris moved to approve one additional day for each committee or commission requesting additional days. Senator Hensley seconded the motion. The motion carried.

5. Ms. Torrence presented information regarding a CD containing 2010 supplements to the Kansas Statutes Annotated. The Division of Printing has produced the prototype of the CD for possible sale. The members had questions regarding costs and market demand and asked Ms. Torrence to work with the Division of Printing to determine marketability.
6. Mr. Conroy reviewed a request from Mary W. Madden, Director of the Education and Outreach Division of the State Historical Society, and the Joint Committee on Arts and Cultural Resources that the Council support the commemoration of Kansas' 150th state anniversary in 2011 and that legislators be appointed to assist the Kansas 150 Advisory Committee. President Morris moved that the President, Speaker, Senate Majority Leader and House Minority Leader each designate one legislator to assist the Advisory committee. Senator Hensley seconded the motion. The motion carried.
7. President Morris moved that the Senate Committee on Organization, Calendar and Rules be authorized to meet and be paid for one meeting day prior to the 2011 session, the day to be included in the maximum 80 authorized by law to be approved by the Council. Senator Hensley seconded the motion. The motion carried.
8. Jeff Russell, Director of Legislative Administrative Services, announced the execution of a memorandum of understanding providing for the Kansas Legislative Information Systems and Services (KLISS) to go live for the 2011 session. Mr. Russell commended all staff involved in the project. President Morris moved to commend the staff on a job well done. Speaker O'Neal seconded the motion. The motion carried.

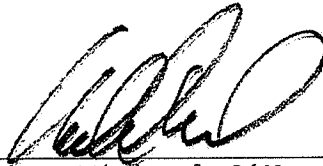
Members of the Council also received draft minutes of the October 21, 2010, LCC meeting; Policy 42 reports from Dave Larson, Director of Legislative Computer Services, concerning outside employment of employees of Legislative Computer Services, and from Ms. Torrence, concerning outside employment of employees of the Office of Revisor of Statutes; a memorandum from staff of the Office of Revisor of Statutes containing a court case update; a memorandum from staff of the Office of Revisor of Statutes summarizing the petition filed by Schools for Fair Funding; a policy 20 meeting authorization by Speaker O'Neal; and a request from Representative McCray-Miller regarding attendance at the 34th Annual National Black Caucus of Legislators.

On motion, the meeting was adjourned.

Prepared by

Mary Ann Torrence,
Revisor of Statutes,
as Secretary

Approved by



Speaker Michael O'Neal, Chairperson