#### **MINUTES**

#### LEGISLATIVE COORDINATING COUNCIL

June 26, 2003

## Members participating:

President Dave Kerr, Chairperson Speaker Doug Mays, Vice-Chairperson Senator Lana Oleen, Majority Leader Senator Anthony Hensley, Minority Leader Representative Clay Aurand, Majority Leader Representative John Ballou, Speaker Pro Tem Representative Dennis McKinney, Minority Leader

The meeting was called to order by President Kerr at 2:15 p.m. in Room 123-S, State Capitol. Representative Aurand participated in the meeting by telephone conference call.

# **CONSENT AGENDA**

Senator Oleen moved that the minutes of the May 29, 2003, meeting be approved. Senator Hensley seconded the motion and the motion carried.

#### REPORT OF SUBCOMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATION

Speaker Mays reviewed with the Council the report of the Subcommittee on Administration. The subcommittee recommended that the Chairperson of the Council be approved to sign the contract for the Legislative Coordinating Council with the Information Network of Kansas and the Revisor Statutes be authorized to sign the contract on behalf of the Revisor's Office with the Information Network of Kansas; that the President and the Speaker be authorized to make an appointment to the Health Care Stabilization Fund Oversight Committee to replace Mr. James Boyle and that Mr. Dick Bond be reappointed as Chairperson of the Oversight Committee; that Representatives Neufeld, Schultz, Newton and Nichols and Senators Morris, Kerr and Feleciano be appointed to the Legislative Budget Committee with Representative Neufeld as the Chairperson and Senator Morris as the Vice-Chairperson; that Senator Taddiken replace former Senator Jenkins as a member of the Legislative Educational Planning Committee and that Representatives Decker, Beggs, Powell and Mason be appointed as members of the committee with Senator Umbarger appointed as the Chairperson and Representative Decker as the Vice-Chairperson and with Representative McKinney delegated authority to make appointments as necessary to fill the positions

of the minority party in the House on the committee; that Senator Lee be appointed as a member of the Aquaculture Advisory Council and that Speaker Mays be authorized to appoint a House majority party member to the Aquaculture Advisory Council; that Representative Landwehr and Senator Hensley be appointed as members of the Coordinating Council on Early Childhood Developmental Services; that Representative Dahl be appointed as a member of the Worker's Compensation Fund Oversight Committee and that Representative McKinney be authorized to appoint a minority party member from the House as a member of the committee; that Mr. Leon Lungwitz be reappointed as Chairperson of the Worker's Compensation Fund Oversight Committee and that the Speaker and the President be authorized to appoint a Vice-Chairperson to replace Ms. Paula Greathouse; that Representative Bethell be designated as the Chairperson of the Task Force on Long-Term Care Services and Senator Salmans be designated as the Vice-Chairperson of the Task Force; that Representatives Faber and Holland be appointed as House members of the Systems Review Team and Senators Schmidt and Lee be appointed as Senate members of the team; that Mr. Russell negotiate with Mr. Don Heiman concerning the position of Legislative Chief Information Technology Officer and report back to the Subcommittee on Administration at the next meeting of that the Legislative members of the Kansas Advisory Council on the subcommittee: Intergovernmental Relations (KACIR) be authorized travel and other expenses actually incurred but not salary as salary for attending meetings of the council is specifically prohibited by law (K.S.A. 12-4001); that the House and Senate minority leaders be delegated to make appointments as necessary to fill minority party vacancies on the above-referenced task force, committees and councils; that the following joint committees be authorized the meeting days indicated during 2003 with the total meeting day authorization for the Joint Committee on Arts and Cultural Resources and the Joint Committee on Administrative Rules and Regulations to include the meetings (two days each) held earlier this year by these committees:

Joint Committees	Meeting Days Authorized
Administrative Rules and Regulations	10
Arts and Cultural Resources	4
Budget, Legislative	8
Children's Issues	7
Claims	7
Corrections and Juvenile Justice Oversight	8
Economic Development	6
Health Care Stabilization Fund	1

Information Technology (JCIT)	8
Legislative Educational Planning Committee (LEPC)	8
Long-Term Care Services	8
Pensions, Investments, and Benefits	8
State-Tribal Relations	1:

that the Joint Committee on Arts and Cultural Resources may meet for two days outside Topeka; that a number of special committees with the membership, house of chairperson, meeting days and study topics along with recommendations for studies by certain joint committees and the creation of the Health Insurance Issues Working Group with the membership, chairperson, meeting days and study topics as presented on a document distributed to Council members be approved; that appointments of members of the House of Representatives and Senate to these special committees and the Health Insurance Issues Working Group will be designated by the Speaker and the President in cooperation with the minority leaders; and that each of these committees is authorized a planning meeting by telephone conference call. Speaker Mays moved that these recommendations of the Subcommittee on Administration be adopted. Senator Hensley seconded the motion.

The members of the Legislative Coordinating Council discussed the creation of and assignment of topics to various special committees.

Senator Hensley commented on the proposed school district budget review interim study topic and the issues involving unified school district finance. Senator Hensley noted the interest of the Governor in expanding the participation to persons other than legislators in these studies, which was expressed in a recent communication from the Governor to the President, Speaker and other members of the Council. President Kerr stated that school finance and related issues are still under discussion and would be presented to the Council at the next meeting.

Senator Hensley commented with respect to two study topics, concerning the redesign of community developmental disability organizations (CDDOs) and the cost of capital punishment recommended by the subcommittee for assignment to the Legislative Budget Committee, are subjects included within the scope of current audits by the Division of Post Audit.

Senator Hensley also noted that the study topic for review of the Kansas liquor control act, recommended for assignment to he Special Committee on Judiciary, is the subject of litigation and is on appeal to the Kansas Supreme Court, and that he hoped this matter would not be studied by the special committee until after the matter has been addressed by the Supreme Court. Senator Hensley distributed copies of recent news articles regarding this matter to the Council.

Senator Oleen noted that the Joint Committee on State-Tribal Relations had been recommended only one day and that the joint committee would be submitting a formal request before the next meeting on the Council for additional meeting days. Senator Oleen also noted that the Legislative Educational Planning Committee had been assigned several tasks in addition to those that the joint committee might raise on its own and requested that the number of authorized days of meetings be increased from six to ten days. After some discussion, the members of the Subcommittee on Administration agreed by consensus to change the recommendation of the subcommittee from six to eight meeting days for the Legislative Educational Planning Committee.

Representative McKinney requested that the study topic recommended for the Special Committee on Appropriations/Ways and Means relating to closure or consolidation of the Rainbow mental health facility be restated in accordance with the recommendations discussed by the Committee on Appropriations during the 2003 legislative session. After some discussion by Council members, Speaker Mays solicited and was granted a consensus agreement by the members of the Subcommittee on Administration to withdraw this study topic recommendation at this time for discussion by the Council at the next meeting.

Representative Ballou requested that the study topic submitted by Senator Jackson, regarding annexation, incorporation and efficiency in local government, be authorized for the Special Committee on Local Government, specifically including the issues involved in annexation of developed areas. A specific study proposal will be prepared for consideration by the Council at the next meeting.

Speaker Mays renewed the motion to adopt the recommendations of the Subcommittee on Administration, as amended by consensus during discussion, seconded by Senator Hensley. The motion was adopted.

The following is a summary of the actions and recommendations of the Legislative Coordinating Council concerning interim committees and studies:

# I. Special Committees

Committee: Agriculture

**Membership**: 11 members (7 from the House and 4 from the Senate)

Chairperson: House Chair

Meeting Days: 1 day

## **Topics:**

1. Consolidation of Food Safety Functions. Review and study the possibility of consolidation of the food safety functions of the Department of Health and Environment

and the Department of Agriculture. The study will include the possibility of improving food safety (particularly in light of homeland security concerns) as well as the elimination of any duplication of services. (A legislative post audit has been authorized. The Special Agriculture Committee will meet following receipt of the audit).

Committee: Appropriations/Ways and Means

**Membership**: 13 members (8 from the House and 5 from the Senate)

Chairperson: Senate Chair

Meeting Days: 4 days

# **Topics:**

- 1. Funding of the Animal Health Department. Review of the funding structure of the Animal Health Department, including a review of the fees levied by the agency, including the level and equity of the fees and the appropriate level of State General Fund support of the agency.
- 2. *Medicaid Reimbursement Rates*. Study the medicaid reimbursement rates for the home and community-based waivers, particularly the Physically Disables (PD) and Frail Elderly (FE) waivers.
- 3. *Medical Transportation Delivery System*. Study the medical transportation delivery system and reimbursement rates in Medicaid for possible savings or efficiencies.

Committee: Assessment and Taxation

**Membership**: 13 members (8 from the House and 5 from the Senate)

**Chairperson**: Senate Chair

Meeting Days: 10 days

#### **Topics**:

1. Sales Taxes Due on Motor Vehicles. Review the recent Legislative Post Audit study on the remission of sales taxes due to the state by motor vehicle dealers with consideration of any legislative or administrative changes needed based upon problems identified by the Post Audit study and determine if the collection of vehicle sales tax should be moved from vehicle dealers to county treasurers, to potentially improve the collection of sales

tax.

- 2. *Estate/Death Taxes*. Review a proposal from the Judicial Council regarding a standalone estate tax that would no longer piggyback directly on the federal law and analyze whether this proposal or any other changes in law are necessary.
- 3. *Monitor Streamlined Sales Tax Implementation*. Monitor the implementation of a number of changes in Kansas law going into effect on July 1, 2003, including new sourcing rules. Also monitor streamlined sales tax activities in other states and any Congressional action on the issue. Recommend any trailer legislation necessary to the incoming 2004 Legislature.
- 4. *Administration of the Severance Tax*. Study the severance tax, including: the administration of the tax, severance data sharing among state agencies and the impact on collections of severance taxes due the state, and 2003 SB 267 oil and gas percent of proceeds purchase contracts.
- 5. Transportation of Cigarettes. Review taxation and other implications of internet cigarette sales and the proposal in 2003 HB 2422 that would prohibit transportation of cigarettes under certain circumstances and review the illegal sale of stolen, counterfeit, untaxed and under-taxed cigarettes that may be available in Kansas.
- 6. Property Tax Exemptions for Not-for-Profit Senior Care Facilities. Review the 2002 interim study and 2003 SB 161 regarding property tax exemptions for certain not-for-profit senior care facilities.
- 7. Local Sales Tax Uniformity. Evaluate the current status of local sales tax statutes with respect to uniformity and home rule power of cities and counties. Determine whether uniformity should be assured or reestablished in the wake of multi-state streamlined sales tax simplification efforts.
- 8. Use Tax on Computer Customization Services. Determine whether Kansas based businesses providing computer software customization services are being placed at a competitive disadvantage relative to similar businesses in other states. Recommend whether such a use tax should be imposed, assuming the sales tax on such services is to be retained.
- 9. Corporation Franchise Taxes. Study various administration and enforcement issues regarding the corporation franchise tax, including whether the tax should continue to be collected by the Office of Secretary of State. Also, whether the "cap" should be increased, perhaps in conjunction with a decrease in the rate of the tax from \$2 to \$1.
- 10. *Job Retention Policy*. Study the development of a job retention policy for lower income working families by focusing on rewarding small businesses through tax strategies aimed

at making it possible for small businesses to hire and retain these persons.

11. *Property Tax on Damaged Property*. Study the appropriateness of allowing property tax valuation adjustments for certain residential property damaged by tornados and other natural disasters during the spring and summer.

Committee: Commerce and Labor

**Membership**: 11 members (7 from the House and 4 from the Senate)

**Chairperson**: House Chair

Meeting Days: 6 days

## **Topics**:

- 1. *Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund Taxable Wage Base*. Review the taxable wage base of \$8,000 a year per employee for unemployment insurance tax payment calculations. The taxable wage base has not changed since 1984.
- 2. Federal Reed Act Funds. Review and make recommendations as to how available federal Reed Act (employment training) funds will be utilized. The review should included the possibility of utilizing Reed Act funds in an innovative manner such as training unemployed aviation workers.
- 3. *Workers Compensation*. Study the possibility of reforming the Workers Compensation Law, including SB 181 and the role and performance of the Workers Compensation Advisory Council.
- 4. *Creation of a State Occupational Safety and Health Agency*. Review the possibility of creation of a state occupational safety and health agency. The review would include the financing of the proposed agency and the impact on the state business community.

**Committee**: <u>Insurance</u>

**Membership**: 11 members (7 from the House and 4 from the Senate)

**Chairperson**: Senate Chair

Meeting Days: 4 days

**Topics**:

1. General Review of All Mandated Health Insurance Coverage. Review all state mandated health insurance coverage in order to meet the statutory requirement for a periodic review of such mandates. There are currently 25 mandates and additional proposed mandates that need to be reviewed in order to meet the statutory requirement. The last review of health insurance mandates was conducted in 1998.

Committee: Judiciary

**Membership**: 13 members (8 from the House and 5 from the Senate)

Chairperson: Senate Chair

Meeting Days: 8 days

## **Topics**:

- 1. *Kansas Uniform Securities Act*. Study the possibility of enacting a new Kansas Uniform Securities Act reflecting changes in state and federal securities laws. The study would focus on the proposed changes in 2003 HB 2347.
- 2. Review Kansas Liquor Control Act. Review of the Liquor Control Act and the Cereal Malt Beverage Law and the need for uniformity in these laws. This review would examine the recent Wyandotte County District Court ruling that the Kansas Liquor Control Act was non-uniform, permitting a number of cities to charter out of the Sunday sales and holiday sales prohibitions in the Act.
- 3. *Allocation of Judicial Resources*. Review Substitute for HB 2307 which deals with the allocation of judicial resources, including granting the Supreme Court the ability to eliminate or reassign district magistrate judge positions and eliminate a district court judge position and replace the position with one or more district magistrate positions.
- 4. *Judicial Docket Fees*. Study the current judicial docket fees and review the need to adjust the current fee structure or impose new fees.
- 5. Kansas Surety Recovery Agents Act. Review 2003 S.B. 248 which would create the Kansas Surety Recovery Agents Act. Review recent history in Kansas to determine how surety recovery agents are currently operating.

Committee: Kansas Security

**Membership**: 10 members (5 from the House and 5 from the Senate)

**Chairperson**: Co-Chairs

Meeting Days: 3 days

# **Topics**:

1. *Kansas Security*. Review the results of the terrorism exercise recently completed. Review federal terrorism funding received by the Sate of Kansas and agricultural terrorism issues.

Committee: Local Government

**Membership**: 11 members (7 from the House and 4 from the Senate)

**Chairperson**: House Chair

Meeting Days: 5 days

## **Topics**:

- 1. Kansas Open Records Act. Study all exceptions to the Kansas Open Records Act and recommend any needed changes. A 2000 law provided that all exceptions to disclosure in existence on July 1, 2005, and any new exception to disclosure or substantial amendment of an existing exception shall expire on July 1 of the fifth year after enactment unless the Legislature acts to reenact the exception. The Revisor of Statutes currently is in the process of identifying statutes which contain such exceptions.
- 2. *Modernization of Local Governments*. Study allowing local units of government to consolidate without the necessity for special legislation.
- 3. Local Government Publication Requirements. Study the publication requirements for local units of government. The study would include a review of the number of publications or notices required to be published in local newspapers and their purposes.

**Committee**: Utilities

**Membership**: 11 members (7 from the House and 4 from the Senate)

**Chairperson**: Senate Chair

Meeting Days: 3 days

# **Topics**:

1. *Telecommunications*. Assess the current broadband coverage in Kansas by various technologies. Study any barriers to deployment and discuss possible incentives to encourage deployment. Review the recent February 20<sup>th</sup> FCC ruling on broadband deregulation and the current issues of Kansas deployment before the KCC. In addition, review the current status of the KAN-ED network.

# **II. Topics Referred to Statutory Joint Committees:**

<u>NOTE</u>: Joint committees generally have their own specific statutory charges or have the flexibility to select their own topics. In addition to their respective statutory charges, the Legislative Coordinating Council has referred the following additional topics for study:

Committee: Children's Issues

**Meeting Days:** 7 days

1. Child Licensing Requirements on After-School or Summer Programs. Review the need and impact (including financial) of the regulations of the Kansas Department of Health and Environment on non-day care, after-school or summer programs that service youth, such as recreation/parks programs, Boys and Girls Clubs, Salvation Army youth programs.

Committee: Joint Committee on Corrections and Juvenile Justice Oversight

**Meeting Days:** 8 days

- 1. Additional Inmate Capacity. Study the issue of additional inmate capacity, including a review of all available options for providing additional bed space including: maximizing bed space using available structures and funding; expansion, including new construction or renovation of existing facilities; leasing bed space from private, out-of-state facilities; and inviting the construction of a private, in-state facility.
- 2. Records of Children in Need of Care and Juvenile Offenders. Review the public policy of the current closed system of records and proceedings regarding children, both children in need of care and juvenile offenders, and consider the opening of all records and proceedings.
- 3. *Treatment of Mentally Ill Inmates.* Study the current number of mentally ill persons incarcerated, the availability of treatment and whether the current system in the

Department of Corrections is adequate to address the needs of these individuals.

- 4. Adequacy of Correctional Facilities for Mentally Ill Inmates. Study and evaluate the adequacy of correctional facilities for mentally ill inmates, especially the facilities at the Larned Correctional Facility.
- 5. Capital Punishment Where the Defendant is Mentally Retarded. Review 2003 HB 2349 which would amend the Kansas law on capital punishment where the defendant is mentally retarded.
- 6. Statewide Policy to Address Methamphetamine Abuse. Study the development of a unified and state-wide policy to effectively address the methamphetamine abuse problem, including possible funding sources (including federal resources).
- 7. Review Sentencing Policies (Grid). Study the current Kansas sentencing policies in relation to other states and review possible adjustments which may relieve or eliminate prison capacity issues in Kansas.
- 8. *Increased Sentences for Certain Offenders*. Considering the enactment of 2003 SB 123 (non-prison sentence for drug abuse treatment), review and recommend how best to enhance the sentence for an offender who is not subject to treatment.
- 9. Review of Juvenile Justice Authority Act. Review the current compliance of the juvenile justice system in context of the original intent of the Juvenile Justice Authority Act, considering any issues identified in the recent Legislative Post Audit on the subject.
- 10. Review of Criminal Sentencing. Conduct a review of crimes and sentencing, including the proportionality of punishment, and recommend any needed changes to the sentencing grid with particular emphasis on the "drug grid."
- 11. *Prison Fellowship Program*. Study the Prison Fellowship Program located at the Ellsworth Correctional Facility. Evaluate the impact of the program on inmate recidivism rates. Determine if the program should be expanded state-wide to all state correctional facilities.

Committee: Joint Committee on Economic Development

**Meeting Days:** 6 days

- 1. Rural Economic Development Initiatives.
- 2. *Agritourism Limited Liability* (2003 SB 134). Study the issues surrounding limited liability for agritourism activities within Kansas. Review issues related to 2003 SB 134,

- which was approved by the Legislature, but vetoed by the Governor.
- 3. *Workforce Development Coordination*. Study coordination of Workforce Development and progress made by the Administration in consolidation of administrative functions.

Committee: Legislative Budget

**Meeting Days:** 8 days

- 1. Redesign of the Community Developmental Disability Organization (CDDO) System. Review and study the redesign of the community developmental disability organization that would include reducing the numbers of CDDO's from 28 to 13 or fewer, reducing administrative costs, allowing CDDO's to provide a match for an additional \$10.6 million in federal funds, and make CDDO's independent of direct service provision.
- 2. Board of Indigents' Defense Services Funding. Review the funding and expenditures of the Board of Indigents' Defense Services, including a study by the Judicial Council regarding funding for death penalty cases as compared with other states.
- 3. Capital Punishment. Study the effect and cost of capital punishment in Kansas.
- 4. Long-Range Revenue Structure Planning Group (2003 SR 1842). Study the tax and revenue structure of the state and make revenue projections into the future by five to ten years, develop governmental expenditure projections for the same time period, review potential revenue adjustment options and study State General Fund cash flow requirements.
- 5. Community College Operating Grant. Review problems with the Community College Operating Grant and the impact of certain schools attracting larger increases in out district students. Review a possible formula adjustment proposal when submitted in the fall.

Committee: <u>Legislative Educational Planning Committee (LEPC)</u>

**Meeting Days:** 8 days

1. *Positive Behavior Supports*. Review the possibility of using "positive behavior supports" to respond to individual, classroom, and school discipline problems through a system of data collection and the application of research-validated positive behavioral interventions.

Committee: Joint Committee on Pensions, Investments and Benefits

**Meeting Days:** 8 days

1. Long-Term KPERS Funding Issues. Study and develop a long-range comprehensive funding plan to address the unfunded liability of the Kansas Public Employees Retirement System (KPERS). The study would include: incorporation of the latest KPERS actuarial projections, an evaluation of how the increased employer's contributions and the potential issuance of pension obligation bonds, (both authorized by the 2003 Legislature), and any changes in non-financing elements, such as a change in actuarial methodology, would affect the KPERS unfunded liability.

**Committee: State-Tribal Relations** 

**Meeting Days:** 1 day

1. *Placing Land into Trust.* Study how land is placed in a trust and how that action impacts Kansas with regard to sovereignty issues, the Kansas Act of Admission, the Tenth Amendment to the U.S. Constitution and ongoing litigation with Native American tribes.

# III. Health Insurance Issues Working Group

Working Group: Health Insurance Issues Working Group

**Membership**: 6 members (3 from the House and 3 from the Senate)

**Chairperson**: Senate Chair

Meeting Days: 7 days

#### **Topics**:

The focus of the Health Insurance Working Group will be a comprehensive study of health insurance affordability and availability to the citizens of Kansas. The study will include, but not be limited to:

- 1. Consideration of Health Reimbursement Accounts (HRA's) for Kansas citizens, including state employees.
- 2. Review of a possible state waiver with Medicaid for low wage employees wherein the employer would pay the state match.
- 3. Consumer Education–Statewide educational program to address healthcare expenditures.

- 4. Value-based purchasing Directing dollars for optimum outcomes for disease or illness and quality of care.
- 5. Long-Term Care Insurance Tax Incentives Study what kind of tax incentives might further enhance the sale of long-term care insurance.
- 6. Investigate the state's ability to leverage market forces in purchasing health care insurance, including consideration of changing the membership structure.

Expertise and assistance of the Kansas Health Institute and the Kansas Commissioner of Insurance will be available to the Working Group. The anticipated outcome from the study would be recommendations for possible legislation and/or policy initiatives to address the health insurance crisis facing the state and its citizens.

Membership on the Working Group will include: Three members of the House of Representatives; three members of the Senate; the Commissioner of Insurance, Sandy Praeger; Dr. Robert St. Peter, President, Kansas Health Institute; the State Health Benefits Administrator and the Director of Health Care Policy/Medical Policy Division of the Department of Social and Rehabilitation Services.

#### REPORT OF SUBCOMMITTEE ON FACILITIES AND PLANNING

Senator Oleen reported that the Subcommittee on Facilities and Planning met and reviewed several matters that will be studied further by the subcommittee and reported to the Council at future meetings.

The legislative calendar for the 2004 regular session was reviewed by the subcommittee. The discussion centered around ways to facilitate the workflow of the legislature with respect to review and consideration of the state budget for the current and ensuing fiscal years. The subcommittee is soliciting suggestions and comments from the chairpersons, vice-chairpersons and ranking minority members of the House Committee on Appropriations and the Senate Committee on Ways and Means.

The subcommittee commenced the review of legislative interns and LCC Policy No. 37. Information was received from the Ms. Jessica Bourquin, Intern Coordinator, and Mr. Jeff Russell, Director of Legislative Administrative Services, regarding the history and operations of the program. The provisions of LCC Policy No. 37 were reviewed and suggested changes in the policy and administration of the program were presented. Senator Oleen stated that the goal is to provide a quality learning experience for interns, which corresponds with curriculum requirements for educational credit, with consistent administrative oversight, while providing assistance for participating legislators. Meetings will be conducted with intern program coordinators from the participating educational institutions, leadership staff and staff from the Division of Legislative Administrative services to receive further information and develop a plan for improvement of the program.

Mr. David Larson, Director of Computer Services, presented a briefing issues regarding state versions of the federal Digital Millennium Copyright Act of 1998 (DCMA), often referred to as "super DCMAs." There will be discussions of these issues at the National Conference of State Legislatures annual meeting this year, and the Subcommittee will receive a report of these discussions at a later meeting.

Senator Oleen also reported that the subcommittee will receive information and conduct discussions at future meetings regarding legislative mailing policies and procedures, monitor the progress of the capitol restoration project and receive reports from Barry Greis, Capitol Architect, on the current status of each phase of the project, and review recommendations in Legislative Post Audit reports that would require legislative action.

With respect to the capitol restoration project, Senator Oleen noted that several legislators will be required to relocate offices during this interim and that legislative parking will have to be adjusted for the 2004 regular session.

The members of the Council discussed the timing and other issues surrounding the relocation of legislative offices this interim. Senator Hensley stated that he had received two requests from senators for travel days to be present during the relocation of their offices. Mr. Russell described the current process and the efforts that are being made to assure that the legislators' office furniture, personal effects and other contents are being safely and securely moved and are being placed in new space where desired. President Kerr requested that, to the extent possible, such legislative office relocations be conducted when the legislators are attending interim study committee meetings or are otherwise at the capitol.

Senator Oleen requested that the meeting times of the Subcommittee on Administration and the Subcommittee on Facilities and Planning be set at different times to permit members and staff to attend both meetings. She noted that often the same staff members are required to make presentations at both subcommittee meetings and that scheduling at separate times would facilitate the attendance of staff members and minority member representation at meetings of the Subcommittee on Facilities and Planning.

#### OTHER MATTERS

Prior to the meeting members of the Council received policy 1 reports from Speaker Mays, received a Policy 20 report from President Kerr, received memoranda from Mr. Conroy relating to statutory study committees and requested interim study topics, received a letter concerning meeting days from the Legislative Educational Planning Committee, a memorandum from Mr. Russell concerning 2002 interim committee expense, a Policy 42 report on Legislative Post Audit staff with outside employment and received copies of the renewal contracts between the Revisor's Office and the Legislative Coordinating Council with the Information Network of Kansas.

The next meetings of the Council were scheduled for July 16, 2003, at 2 p.m., and for August 22, 2003, at a time to be specified.

On motion the meeting was adjourned.

Prepared by

Norman J. Furse, Revisor of Statutes, as Secretary

Approved by

President Dave Kerr, Chairperson