

MINUTES

LEGISLATIVE COORDINATING COUNCIL

November 20, 2002

Members present:

Speaker Kent Glasscock, Chairperson
President Dave Kerr, Vice-Chairperson
Senator Anthony Hensley, Minority Leader
Representative Shari Weber, Majority Leader
Representative Clay Aurand, Speaker Pro Tem
Representative Jim Garner, Minority Leader

The meeting was called to order by Speaker Glasscock at 3:10 p.m. in Room 123-S, State Capitol.

CONSENT AGENDA

Representative Garner moved that the minutes of the October 30, 2002, meeting be approved and that the prices of K.S.A. volumes be fixed in accordance with the memorandum provided by the Revisor of Statutes. Representative Aurand seconded the motion and the motion carried.

TRAVEL REQUESTS

Mr. Russell presented to the Council a memorandum relating to travel approval. After review of the memorandum by Mr. Russell, President Kerr moved that two members from each house, one from each party, be authorized to attend the National Council of Legislators from Gaming States Winter Meeting in South Beach, FL, January 10-12, 2003; that the Vice-President of the Senate and the members of the Legislative Coordinating Council be approved to attend the NCSL Leader-to-Leader meeting in Washington, D.C., March 5-7, 2003; that delegates or the alternates of delegates unable to attend be authorized to attend the NCSL Standing Committees Spring Forum in Boston, MA, April 24-27, 2003; that Kansas members or their alternates on committees of the National Conference of State Legislatures be authorized to attend the annual meeting of the National Conference of State Legislatures in San Francisco, CA, July 21-25, 2003; that committee members and task force members of the Council of State Governments be authorized to attend such meetings during 2003; and that designated members of the House of Representatives and the Senate be authorized to participate in the American Legislative Exchange Council (ALEC) during 2003. Mr. Russell explained that these meetings would also fall under the out-of-state travel cap approved by the Legislative Coordinating Council. Senator Hensley seconded the motion and the motion carried.

REPORT OF THE LCC SUBCOMMITTEE

President Kerr presented the report and recommendations of the LCC Subcommittee. President Kerr stated that he felt the candidates for the position of Director of Legislative Research were excellent and that the discussion which the Subcommittee had with each candidate was also excellent. The Subcommittee recommends that Mr. Alan Conroy be appointed to the position of Director of Legislative Research upon the retirement of Mr. Ben Barrett, and that Mr. Conroy receive the same salary as Mr. Barrett is currently being paid. In addition, the Subcommittee recommends: (1) That Mr. Conroy, Mr. Furse and Mr. Russell design and bring back for Council consideration a plan for the evaluation of their respective staffs and for evaluation of the positions of Director of Legislative Research, Revisor of Statutes and Director of Legislative Administrative Services; and (2) that the Legislative Coordinating Council create a special subcommittee of the Council to study support services for the legislature to be appointed on or after January 13, 2003, by the Chairperson of the Council on that date and to report back to the Council during the September-October, 2003, time-frame. Senator Hensley seconded the motion. Speaker Glasscock stated that in his opinion the Subcommittee had to pick from three outstanding candidates and that it could not have gone wrong by selecting any one of them. Speaker Glasscock reported that the Subcommittee worked diligently and all decisions made were unanimous. The motion of President Kerr was adopted.

OTHER MATTERS

Prior to the meeting members of the Council received a LEGISBRIEF on capitol restoration and rehabilitation and a memorandum from Mr. Russell on travel approval. Mr. Furse called attention to the memorandum from Senator Oleen regarding the 2003 legislative session calendar which was in each member's folder.

The December meeting date of the Council is scheduled for December 11, 2002, at 8:00 a.m.

On motion the meeting was adjourned.

Prepared by

Norman J. Furse,
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as Secretary

Approved by

Speaker Kent Glasscock, Chairperson