

**MINUTES OF THE
LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**
October 31, 2000 – 12:30 p.m. – Room 303 State Capitol

Members Present:

Speaker Martin R. Stephens, Chair
President Lyle W. Hillyard, Vice-chair
Sen. Leonard M. Blackham
Sen. Mike Dmitrich
Sen. Paula F. Julander
Sen. L. Alma Mansell
Sen. Millie M. Peterson
Sen. L. Steven Poulton
Rep. Patrice M. Arent
Rep. Ralph Becker
Rep. Greg J. Curtis
Rep. Kevin S. Garn
Rep. David M. Jones
Rep. Brad King
Rep. David Ure

Members Excused:

Sen. Scott N. Howell

Staff Present:

Richard V. Strong,
Director
M. Gay Taylor,
General Counsel
Ms. Junie G. Anderson,
Secretary

Note: A list of others present and a copy of materials on file in the Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel.

1. Call to Order

Chairman Stephens called the meeting to order at 12:45 p.m.

2. Approval of the October 17, 2000 Minutes

MOTION: Rep. Ure moved to approve the minutes of the October 17, 2000 meeting. The motion passed unanimously. Sen. Mansell and Rep. Garn were absent for the vote.

3. Education Interim Committee Meeting Date Notice - Mr. Strong reviewed the letter from the Education Interim Committee and noted that the Legislative Management Committee (LMC), during its May meeting, had approved an additional meeting for the committee to meet in November. This letter was regarded as an informational update to the LMC as to the actual meeting date.

4. Public Utilities and Technology Interim Committee Additional Meeting Request - Mr. Strong reviewed the letter from the Public Utilities and Technology Interim Committee requesting an additional meeting in November concerning issues involved in HB 320, Public Utility Amendments.

MOTION: Rep. Ure moved to approve the committee's request. The motion failed in the House, with Reps. Arent, Becker, Jones, and King voting against the motion. Sen. Mansell and Rep. Garn were absent for the vote.

5. Further Review of Applications

MOTION: President Hillyard moved to close the meeting at 12:50 p.m. for the purpose of discussing the character and professional competence of applicants for Director of the Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel. The motion passed unanimously. Sen. Mansell and Rep. Garn were absent for the vote.

MOTION: President Hillyard moved to open the meeting at 2:10 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.

6. Committee Determinations

MOTION: President Hillyard moved to extend an offer to Michael Christensen as the Director of the Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel. The motion passed, with Sen. Poulton and Reps. Curtis, Garn, and Ure voting in opposition.

President Hillyard stated that Mr. Christensen would be tendered the offer with the understanding that his beginning date would be December 1, 2000, with his salary set at exactly what Mr. Strong is being paid at present, and that the issue of salaries be reviewed at a later time.

7. Other Business - None

8. Adjournment

MOTION: President Hillyard moved to adjourn the meeting at 2:15 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.