

**REVISED MINUTES OF THE JOINT PUBLIC EDUCATION
APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE
Friday, February 6, 1998 2:00 P.M.
ROOM 303, STATE CAPITOL BUILDING**

Members Present: Sen. Robert F. Montgomery, Committee Co-Chair
Rep. Bill Wright, Committee Co-Chair
Sen. LeRay McAllister
Sen. Millie M. Peterson
Sen. Craig L. Taylor
Rep. David L. Gladwell
Rep. Bradley T. Johnson
Rep. Susan Koehn
Rep. Tammy J. Rowan
Rep. Nora B. Stephens
Rep. A. Lamont Tyler
Rep. John Arrington
Rep. Judy Ann Buffmire

Members Excused: Rep. Brad King

Members Absent:

Staff Present: R. Michael Kjar, Legislative Fiscal Analyst
Gary Ricks, Legislative Fiscal Analyst
Sheila Ainsworth, Secretary

Others Present: Scott Bean, State Superintendent, USOE
Michael Hepner, Executive Director, Utah School Employees
Michael Christensen, Deputy Director, Utah School Employees
Dave Green, President Elect, Utah School Employees
TyNea Sorenson, President, Utah School Employees
Jerry Peterson, Associate Superintendent, USOC
Dale Porter, Principal, Maeser Elementary
Patrick Garcia, Principal, Lincoln Elementary
Kory Katseanes, Assistant Conductor, Utah Symphony
David Owens, U of U student
Children from Children's Dance Theater.
Dr. Carol Ann Goodson
Jayceen Craven, Assistant Education Manager, Hansen Planetarium
Shirley Ririe, Co-artistic Director, Ririe-Woodbury Dance Co.
Paula Plant, PTA
Kenneth Hill, President, Ballet West
List of others present is on file

Committee Co-Chair Rep. Bill Wright called the meeting to order at 2:10 p.m.

MOTION: Rep. Arrington moved to approve the Minutes of the February 4, 1998 meeting.

The motion passed unanimously with all present voting.

Co-Chair Wright opened for discussion item number 2 on the agenda - the budgets discussed last week.

MOTION: Rep. Tyler moved to increase the Character Education by \$400,000 in on-going funds taken from the ETI budget; to place on "The List" \$400,000 for funding to ETI; and to place on "The List" \$200,000 for funding for Character Education.

Rep. Tyler spoke in favor of that motion. Scott Bean, State Superintendent, spoke in support of this motion. Rep. Wright voiced his concern that some of the Character Education curriculums are not teaching the values which the Legislature established for Utah, in the State Code, and thus feels obligated to not support that program. Superintendent Bean and Con Rowley, USOE, addressed this concern. Sen. M. Peterson spoke in support of the motion.

SUBSTITUTE MOTION: Rep. Rowan proposed a motion that under Tab 4, Page 5, Line 2, Programs 1-12, spend \$200,000,000 on math, \$200,000,000 on science, \$200,000,000 on English, \$170,742,500 on PE and other important programs,

POINT OF ORDER: Sen. Montgomery said this was not an appropriate motion, as it did not pertain to the same subject.

Rep. Rowan said that there is no line item for math, science, English, etc. She feels it is not the Legislature's job to micro manage the school districts. The districts should fund Character Education if it feels that is an important program.

PERSONAL PRIVILEGE: Rep. Arrington requested personal privilege. He introduced his grandson who recently graduated from Indiana State University.

Vote was called on Rep. Tyler's motion. The motion passed favorably with all present voting.

MOTION: Rep. Tyler moved that it be added that it is the intent of the Legislature that the Analyst provide for \$800,000 in on-going funds for Character Education in the FY 2000 budget (\$550 K for FY 98 plus \$250 K for Federal grants that have expired).

Sen. McAllister spoke against the motion.

The motion failed.

Co-chair Wright opened the floor to discussion.

Rep. Tyler encouraged Co-chair Wright to make a motion, asking the Legislative Analyst to formulate legislative intent that would instruct the Office of Education to follow the Utah code in regard to Character Education.

MOTION: Sen. Montgomery made the motion that we ask the Legislative Analyst to formulate legislative intent that would instruct the Office of Education to follow the Utah Code in regard to Character Education.

The motion passed unanimously with all present voting.

Co-chair Wright opened the floor to discussion from the Committee on the 4 remaining items to vote on.

MOTION: Sen. Montgomery moved to approve the Legislative Analyst's recommendation as amended of \$8,505,682 for Educational Technology.

The motion passed unanimously with all present voting.

MOTION: Sen. Montgomery moved to approve the Legislative Analyst's recommendation for Centennial Schools of \$1,143,437.

The motion passed unanimously with all present voting.

MOTION: Rep. Gladwell moved to approve the Legislative Analyst's recommendation for Alternative Language Education of \$2,845,065.

The motion passed unanimously with all present voting.

MOTION: Rep. Tyler moved to approve the Legislative Analyst's recommendation for the School Building programs of \$21,086,400 for the Capitol Outlay Equalization program; \$5,271,600 for the Emergency Building Fund; and a one-time amount of \$2,500,000 from non-lapsing balances for the Capital Equalization program.

The motion passed unanimously with all present voting.

Co-chair Wright gave the floor to representatives from Utah Schools Employees, an independent labor organization, Michael Hepner, Executive Director, Michael Christensen, Deputy Director, Dave Green, President Elect, and TyNea Sorenson, President. They are in agreement with the Governor's budget.

Co-chair Wright gave time to Legislative Analyst Gary Ricks to present the budget recommendations for Science & Fine Arts. He and Mr. Kjar answered the questions of the Committee members. There was a question as to whether this committee voted last year to line item fund the seven large organizations. If so, was this Committee's recommendation reversed by the Executive Appropriations Committee? Rep. Arrington encouraged the Committee to do all they can to help this program.

Jerry Peterson, Associate Superintendent, USOC, presented the State Office's budget recommendations and distributed a hand-out which identified their program requests. He turned his time over to Dr. Carol Ann Goodson, USOC, for a presentation from representatives of dance. Involved in the presentation were Dale Porter, Principal, Maeser Elementary, Patrick Garcia, Principal, Lincoln Elementary, Kory Katseanes, Assistant Conductor, Utah Symphony, David Owens, U of U student, and children from Children's Dance Theater.

Dr. Carol Ann Goodson and Jayceen Craven, Assistant Education Manager, Hansen Planetarium, requested the Committee to restore the Arts & Sciences funding to its original line item status to the large, established organizations and continue with RFP's which provides opportunities to smaller groups to participate in the outreach program, and answered the questions from the Committee. There was much talk regarding accountability. Shirley Ririe, Co-artistic Director, Ririe-Woodbury Dance Co. distributed a hand-out and spoke in favor of continued funding and the line item. Paula Plant, PTA, spoke in favor of arts in the schools. Dale Porter, Principal, Maeser Elementary, spoke again in favor of arts in the schools and continued and increased funding. Kenneth Hill, President, Ballet West, spoke in favor of arts in the schools.

Sen. Taylor spoke in favor of eliminating the RFP process and returning to the traditional line item. He asked if it was an appropriate time to make that motion. Co-chair Wright advised that, because this had been brought to their attention in a previous meeting, the Analyst had been asked to make new recommendations, taking into consideration all these factors. A second recommendation list was distributed.

Rep. Buffmire asked where the rule comes from that says there must be a 5-year cycle in the outreach program. She would like to see if that rule can be extended. Mr. Ricks said he will get that information for the next meeting.

Mr. Kjar and Dr. Goodson answered questions of the Committee. Jerry Peterson and Carol Ann Goodwin will bring additional information next meeting regarding allocation of money to districts in the outreach program. Mr. Hill commented further.

MOTION: Rep. Koehn moved to adjourn.

The motion passed unanimously with all present voting.

Co-chair Wright adjourned the meeting at 3:40 p.m.

The minutes were reported by Sheila Ainsworth.

Sen. Robert F. Montgomery
Committee Co-Chair

Rep. Bill Wright
Committee Co-Chair