

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Kevin Yoder at 9:00 a.m. on February 12, 2010, in Room 346-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

- Representative Burroughs - excused
- Representative Owen Donohoe- excused

Committee staff present:

- Jim Wilson, Office of the Revisor of Statutes
- Nobuko Folmsbee, Office of the Revisor of Statutes
- Heather O'Hara, Kansas Legislative Research Department
- J.G. Scott, Kansas Legislative Research Department
- Jonathan Tang, Kansas Legislative Research Department
- Stephen Huggins, Chief of Staff, Appropriations Committee
- Kathy Holscher, Committee Assistant, Appropriations Committee

Others attending:

See attached list.

- Attachment 1 Budget Committee Report on the Department of Administration
- Attachment 2 Budget Committee Report on Larned State Hospital, Rainbow Mental Health Facility, parsons State Hospital and Training Center and Kansas Neurological Institute.

Representative McLeland made a motion to introduce legislation that would move tenure from three to five years. The motion was seconded by Representative Mast. Motion carried.

Representative Whitham, Chair of the House General Budget Committee, presented the FY 2011 Department of Administration Budget Report, (Attachment 1). The Budget Committee concurs with the Governor's recommendation with the following adjustment: delete \$406,515 from the State General Fund.

Representative Whitham made a motion to approve the FY 2011 Department of Administration Budget Report. The motion was seconded by Representative Hineman

Representative Whitham responded to questions regarding the budget increase. He stated that 85% of this department's budget represents principal and interest payments on bonds.

Representative Whitham made a motion for an amendment to include the State Broadcasting Council's principal and interest payments, which would delete \$150,000 from the State General Fund. The motion was seconded by Representative Merrick.

Representative Whitham stated that traditionally when a new Governor is elected, the department has provided a transition amount of \$150,000. During the last election, \$74,000 was spent and the remaining balance lapsed.

Representative Whitham renewed the amendment. Motion carried.

Representative McLeland made a motion for an amendment that would request a report from the State Broadcasting Council on the cost of implementing an interface, maintaining the existing system, any savings to the state if moved to the Financial Management System, and the time involved to migrate to these systems, and review at Omnibus the interface funding for the Financial Management System and the savings to the state. The motion was seconded by Representative Merrick. Motion carried.

Representative Whitham responded to questions for committee members. He reviewed the Capital restoration project and stated that the Governor's recommendation did not include bond authority for FY 2011 and no discussion was held regarding further bonding request by the committee. Representative Whitham discussed the Public Broadcasting Council and noted that other agencies are funded within the budget, the Office of

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Administrative Hearings is now a separate agency and is reflected in the report, the budget shows an increase in salaries and Kansas Public Employee Retirement System benefits. The Governor's recommendation for Capitol improvement projects were reviewed.

Marilyn Jacobson, Director of Facilities Management, Department of Administration, discussed the utility issues within the tunnel renovation, which will be completed this summer. She discussed the financial responsibility of the utility companies involved and the City of Topeka.

Representative Whitham renewed the motion to approve the FY 2011 Budget Committee Report for the Department of Administration as amended. Motion carried.

Representative Mast, Chair, Social Services Budget Committee, presented the FY 2011 Budget Committee Report for Larned State Hospital, (Attachment 2). The Budget Committee concurs with the Governor's recommendation with the follow notations: proper staffing is critical, savings realized with the closure of the Inpatient Psychiatric Treatment Unit of Youth.

Representative Mast made a motion to approve the FY 2011 Larned State Hospital Budget Committee Report. The motion was seconded by Representative Rhoades. Motion carried.

Representative Rhoades, Member, Social Services Budget Committee, presented the FY 2011 Budget Committee Report for Osawatomie State Hospital, (Attachment 2). The Budget Committee concurs with the Governor's recommendation.

Representative Rhoades made a motion to approve the FY 2011 Budget Committee Report for Osawatomie State Hospital. The motion was seconded by Representative Mast. Motion carried.

Representative Ballard, Member, Social Services Budget Committee, presented the FY 2011 Budget Committee Report for the Rainbow Mental Health Facility, (Attachment 2). The Budget Committee concurs with the Governor's recommendation with the following recommendation: proper staffing of this agency is critical.

Representative Ballard made a motion to approve the FY 2011 Budget Committee Report for Rainbow Mental Health Facility. The motion was seconded by Representative Henry.

Budget Committee members responded to questions by committee members. It was noted that thus far there has been adequate bed space, with the flexibility to move patients between facilities if necessary. The concern for adequate youth facilities was expressed, especially with the closure in 2008 of the youth section at Rainbow Mental Health Facility. The sexual predator treatment program is near capacity, which is a concern for meeting federal inspection requirements.

Representative Ballard renewed the motion to approve the FY 2011 Budget Committee Report for Rainbow Mental Health Facility. Motion carried.

Representative Mast, Chair, Social Services Budget Committee, presented the FY 2011 Budget Committee Report for Parsons State Hospital and Training Center, (Attachment 2). The Budget Committee concurs with the Governor's recommendation with the following adjustments and recommendations: Delete 17.2 FTE unfilled positions, consolidation of Kansas Neurological Institute and Parsons State Hospital and Training Center, and shrinkage within the budget process.

Representative Mast made a motion to approve the FY 2011 Budget Committee Report for Parsons State Hospital and Training Center. The motion was seconded by Representative Rhoades.

Committee members reviewed discussions and issues surrounding the recommendation to consolidate facilities.

Representative Mast renewed the motion. Motion carried.

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Representative Rhoades, Member, Social Services Budget Committee, presented the FY 2011 Budget Committee Report for Kansas Neurological Institute, (Attachment 2). The Budget Committee concurs with the Governor's recommendation with the following adjustments and recommendations: delete 30.2 FTE; consolidation of Kansas Neurological Institute and Parsons State Hospital and Training Center, shrinkage within budget practices, increased number of people served through the seating clinic, and increased demand for dental services.

Representative Rhoades made a motion to approve the FY 2011 Budget Committee Report for Kansas Neurological Institute. The motion was seconded by Representative Mast.

Representative Rhoades responded to questions from committee members. He stated that any increases in the Governor's budget recommendation reflects moratoriums in the Kansas Public Employee Retirement System (KPERs), salary and longevity pay.

Estelle Montgomery, Fiscal Analyst, Kansas Legislative Research Department, responded to questions from committee members. She reviewed the shift in funding in allotments from State General Funds (SGF).

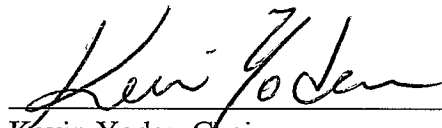
Don Jordan, Secretary, Social and Rehabilitation Services, stated operations reflect the all funds amount and SGF will fluctuate based on the amount in fee funds. The FY 2010 budget reflects the moratoriums for KPERs, Health, and Death and Disability coverage, and the five hospitals absorbed a \$2.4 million increase in workers' compensation payments for FY 2011, he noted.

The Governor's allotments and stimulus funds were discussed by committee members.

Representative Rhoades renewed the motion. Motion carried.

The next meeting is scheduled for February 15, 2010.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:14 a.m.


Kevin Yoder, Chairman

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