

**Association of Oregon Counties
Legislative Committee**

Monday, June 20, 2011
12:00 p.m.

Local Government Center
Salem, Oregon

Present: President Janet Carlson, Commissioner Tammy Baney, Commissioner Mary Stern, Judge Pat Shaw, Judge Steve Grasty, Commissioner Bill Hansell, Commissioner Earl Fisher, Commissioner Sam Brentano, Commissioner Don Lindly, Judge Jeanne Burch, Judge Gary Thompson, Commissioner Chris Perry, Commissioner Jay Dixon, Commissioner Annabelle Jaramillo, Commissioner Craig Pope, Commissioner Kathy George, Commissioner Greg Malinowski, Sheriff Jack Crabtree, Administrator Ralph Wyatt

Via telephone: Commissioner Patricia Roberts, Commissioner Leslie Lewis, District Attorney Eric Nisley, Public Works Director Robb Paul

Via videoconference: Commissioner Linda Modrell

Guests: Troy Rayburn, Barb Young, Jared Anderson, Bobby Green Sr., Greg Wolf

Staff and consultants: Mike McArthur, Cara Fischer, Gil Riddell, Emily Ackland, Mark Nystrom, Mike Eliason, Paul Snider, Doris Penwell, Eric Schmidt, Laura Cleland, Ben Landsman, Joann Hendrix

President Janet Carlson called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m. and asked for self-introductions.

Mark Nystrom introduced Ben Landsman, a fellow with the Portland State University Executive Leadership Institute. Mr. Landsman, a graduate student at University of Washington, will be conducting research on historical cost profile of pharmaceutical benefits for the Oregon Health Plan.

Agenda

Mr. Ralph Wyatt moved to approve the agenda of June 20, 2011, seconded by Commissioner Bill Hansell. Motion carried.

Minutes

Commissioner Earl Fisher moved approval of the meeting minutes of June 6, 2011, seconded by Mr. Wyatt. Motion carried.

Legislative Action Updates

Mike McArthur reviewed recent legislative actions. He stated that the session is winding down and may possibly end by Friday, June 24.

Mr., McArthur stated that HB 3280 is still under discussion. SB 960 passed both houses and is waiting for the governor's signature.

Paul Snider reviewed HB 2710 and HB 2712 regarding court facilities and gave an update on SB 412-A granting law enforcement authority to tribal officers while outside reservation boundaries.

Early Learning Council

Mark Nystrom reported that SB 909, the Early Learning Council bill, just passed the Senate with a final vote of 20-8. Mr. Nystrom stated that the concerns of the eight no votes were that SB 909 gave too much control to the governor. He added that Early Learning Council Design Team members Commissioners Tammy Baney and Annabelle Jaramillo would send a letter to the governor outlining the recommendations for how the work of local Commissions on Children and Families may be aligned with the work of the council. The design team requests feedback on its straw person proposal. AOC will respond with in-depth, unified county comments.

Discussion & Updates

NACo 2011 Annual Conference

The NACo 2011 Annual Conference will be held in Portland, July 15-19. AOC will host a reception for Washington and Oregon attendees July 15 at the Embassy Suites Hotel. Congratulations were given to Oregon counties for their combined contribution of \$56,500.

AOC's video and desktop conferencing

Laura Cleland introduced the new AOC Video and Desktop Conferencing system. Ms. Cleland stated that this is an opportunity for members to become more involved in AOC and cut down on travel time and expense by using the desktop system from office or home computers.

AOC Summer Summit

Cara Fischer stated registration is open for the AOC Summer Summit, August 7-9 at the Oregon Garden Resort. Ms. Fischer added that the summit would focus on reentry, the Early Learning Initiative and Oregon Health Care Transformation under the leadership of President Carlson.

Steering Committee Reports

Communications Policy

Judge Jeanne Bruch reviewed the committee's principles adopted at today's meeting.

Judge Jeanne Burch moved to approve the Communications Policy Steering Committee Principles, seconded by Commissioner Fisher. Motion carried.

Judge Burch reported that committee members had an in-depth conversation with the State Radio Project Partnership. Judge Burch said Commissioner Kathy George is the AOC partnership representative.

Community Development – no report

Environment & Energy – no report

Governance – no report

Human Services – no report

Public Lands & Natural Resources – no report

Public Safety – no report

Transportation – no report

Water Policy – no report

Affiliate Organizations Reports

Assessors – no report

Clerks – no report

County Administrators – no report

District Attorneys – no report

Engineers and Surveyors – no report

Justices of the Peace – no report

Sheriffs – no report

Tax Collectors – no report

Treasurers – no report

Other Business

Commissioner Tammy Baney reported she attended the NACo Leadership Institute Conference in Washington, DC. Commissioner Baney stated that the conference provided her a profound experience on how to push the envelope to be a strong leader.

The committee determined it would not meet in July 2011. The next Legislative Committee meeting will be Monday, September 12, 2011.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:45 p.m.