

Final Minutes

Legislative Commission on Statutory Mandates Meeting

1:30 p.m. • Wednesday, July 23, 2008
Room 327 • Anderson House Office Building
124 N. Capitol Avenue • Lansing, Michigan

Members Present:

Robert Daddow, Chair
Amanda Van Dusen, Co-Chair
Ralph "Skip" Maccarone
Dennis Pollard
J. Dallas Winegarden, Jr.

Members Excused:

None

I. Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 1:35 p.m. and the clerk took the roll. A quorum was present.

II. Approval of the Agenda

The Chair asked for a motion to approve today's meeting agenda. **Ms. Van Dusen moved, supported by Mr. Pollard, to approve the July 23, 2008 agenda. There was no further discussion. The agenda was unanimously approved.**

III. Approval of Minutes – June 25, 2008 Meeting

The Chair asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the last Legislative Commission on Statutory Mandates meeting. **Ms. Van Dusen moved, seconded by Mr. Winegarden, to approve the minutes of the June 25, 2008 meeting. There was no further discussion. The minutes were unanimously approved.**

IV. Report from the Michigan School Business Officials

David Martell, Associate Executive Director of the Michigan School Business Officials, summarized the report his organization and the Michigan Association of School Administrators had submitted to the Commission and provided a detailed explanation of the mandates identified in the report which is attached to these minutes. Dan Behm, Superintendent of the Forest Hills Public Schools, provided comments regarding the reporting requirements of the Center for Educational Performance and Information (CEPI) and provided a detailed description of the five databases the State requires be submitted by the schools. He noted this reporting requirement is frustrating as the schools have not seen any utility of the data they are required to provide under the CEPI mandate. After his testimony, he joined Mr. Martell in responding to questions from the Commissioners. **Mr. Winegarden moved, supported by Mr. Pollard, to receive and file the report from the Michigan School Business Officials and the Michigan Association of School Administrators. There was no objection and the motion was unanimously adopted.**

V. Status of Subcommittee Efforts in Categorizing Mandates

Commissioners Pollard and Maccarone reported that they will begin organizing the information from the associations into the three buckets identified at the last meeting and hope to have a preliminary outline before the next meeting.

VI. Update from Citizens Research Council

Eric Lupher of the Citizens Research Council reported that he had submitted the information the Commission requested regarding how other states define a mandate including information on the actual wording of the constitutional requirement or statutory language.

VII. Status of Adair Lawsuit

Commissioner Pollard provided the members with a copy of the recent Court of Appeals decision regarding the Adair case and highlighted some of the key aspects of the ruling. He noted that there could be a further appeal.

VIII. House Bill 6112

The Chair provided an update on House Bill 6112 which would provide for binding arbitration for county corrections officers. He noted that the bill, if passed, is a classic example of an unfunded state mandate and reported that the bill has been passed by the House and is currently pending before the Senate.

IX. Public Comments

The Chair asked for public comment. There were none.

X. Next Meeting Date

A discussion of the date and location of the next meeting followed. The Chair announced that the next meeting will be held on **August 13, 2008, at 12:00 noon** at the Oakland County Executive Office Building in Waterford, Michigan.

XI. Adjournment

Having no further business, Mr. Winegarden moved, supported by Mr. Maccarone, to adjourn the meeting. Without objection, the motion was approved. The meeting was adjourned at 2:55 p.m.

(Approved at the LCSM Meeting on August 26, 2008.)