

**FINAL  
MINUTES OF OPEN SESSION  
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL MEETING**

**Thursday, June 17, 1999  
9:00 a.m.  
State Capitol Building - Rooms 402-403**

**ATTENDANCE**

**Present were:**

Senator Dan DeGrow, Member  
Representative Patricia Birkholz, Member  
Senator John D. Cherry, Jr., Member  
Senator Joanne G. Emmons, Member  
Senator Shirley Johnson, Member  
Representative Bruce Patterson, Member  
Representative Andrew Raczkowski, Member  
Senator Kenneth Sikkema, Member

Dianne M. Odrobina, Legislative Council Administrator  
Susan Cavanagh, Administrative Assistant for Council Administrator  
Elliott Smith, Director, Legislative Service Bureau  
Traci Kanillopoolos, Secretary to the Director of the Legislative Service Bureau  
Clayton Burch, Legislative Corrections Ombudsman  
Daniel Bambery, Administrator/Counsel for Joint Committee on Administrative Rules  
Jerry Lawler, Director, Legislative Council Facilities  
Judy Allen, Chief of Staff for Senator DeGrow  
Tammy Bagby, Project Coordinator for Senator DeGrow  
Cami Pendell, Legislative Aide for Representative Raczkowski  
Alan Canady, Senate Democratic Counsel  
Shelly Edgerton, Assistant Majority Counsel, Senate Majority Policy Office  
John Beutler, Mgr. Human Resources, Secretary of the Senate  
Jeff Johnson, Library of Michigan  
Janet Laverty, Library of Michigan  
Robin VanAlstine, Library of Michigan

Other individuals were present but did not identify themselves.

**Members Excused:**

Speaker Charles Perricone, Member  
Representative Michael Hanley, Member  
Representative Kwame Kilpatrick, Member  
Senator Virgil Clark Smith, Member

Senator Robert L. Emerson, Alternate Member  
Senator Beverly S. Hammerstrom, Alternate Member  
Representative Mary Ann Middaugh, Alternate Member  
Representative Mark Schauer, Alternate Member  
Senator John J.H. Schwarz, M.D., Alternate Member  
Representative Judith Scranton, Alternate Member

#### **ITEM 1. Convening of the Meeting**

Dianne Odrobina, Legislative Council Administrator, called the meeting to order at 9:12 a.m. and requested that Elliott Smith, Director of the Legislative Service Bureau, call the roll. A quorum was present.

Dianne Odrobina asked for a motion to excuse absent members. **Representative Birkholz moved, supported by Senator Sikkema, to excuse absent members. The motion was unanimously approved.**

#### **ITEM 2 & 3. Election of Officers**

Senator DeGrow presided over the election.

**Senator Shirley Johnson moved, supported by Representative Raczkowski, to elect Senator DeGrow as Chair of the Legislative Council for 1999. The motion was unanimously approved.**

The Chair stated that a motion would be in order to nominate the Alternate Chair of the Legislative Council for 1999. **Senator Emmons moved, seconded by Representative Raczkowski, to elect Speaker Perricone as Alternate Chair. The motion was unanimously approved.**

#### **ITEM 5. Appointments to Subcommittees of the Legislative Council**

A list of recommended subcommittee appointments was distributed to the members of the Council. The Chair read the list of appointments as follows:

##### **Legislative Council Services and Administration Subcommittee:**

<b>Representative Perricone, Chair</b>	<b>Senator DeGrow, Alternate Chair</b>
<b>Representative Birkholz</b>	<b>Senator Emmons</b>
<b>Representative Hanley</b>	<b>Senator Cherry</b>

**Legislative Council Agencies Subcommittee:**

**Senator Johnson, Chair**

**Senator Schwarz**

**Senator Emerson**

**Representative Raczkowski, Alternate Chair**

**Representative Patterson**

**Representative Kilpatrick**

**Legislative Council Policy Subcommittee:**

**Representative Middaugh, Chair**

**Representative Birkholz**

**Representative Schauer**

**Senator Sikkema, Alternate Chair**

**Senator Hammerstrom**

**Senator V. Smith**

The Chair asked for a motion to approve the recommended list of subcommittee appointments. **Representative Raczkowski moved, supported by Senator Johnson, to approve the list of appointments. There was no discussion. The motion was unanimously approved.**

**ITEM 6: Approval of Minutes of September 22, 1998 Legislative Council Meeting**

The Chair asked for a motion to adopt the minutes of the September 22, 1998 Legislative Council meeting. **Representative Birkholz moved, supported by Senator Johnson, to adopt the minutes of the September 22, 1998 meeting. There was no discussion. The minutes were unanimously adopted.**

**ITEM 8: New Business**

Dianne Odrobina asked that the Legislative Council Rules and Policies be referred to the Services and Administration Subcommittee. Senator DeGrow indicated that this referral is standard practice and so ordered the Legislative Council Rules and Policies to the Services and Administration Subcommittee.

**ITEM 9: Public Participation**

The Chair asked for public participation. There was none.

**ITEM 10: Proposed Schedule of Legislative Council Meetings Pursuant to Open Meetings Act**

September 29, 1999 and December 8, 1999, were set as dates for Legislative Council meetings subject to the availability of the Chair and Alternate Chair as well as a quorum of Council members to attend on those dates. The Chair indicated that the actual dates of the meetings would be subject to the Legislative session schedule as well.

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**ITEM 11. Adjournment**

The Chair asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. **Representative Raczkowski moved, supported by Senator Cherry, to adjourn the meeting. The motion was unanimously approved.** The meeting was adjourned at 9:22 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dianne M. Odrobina, Secretary

DMO:smc

*(Approved by Council Members at January 26, 2000 meeting)*