

MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Held: December 1, 1976, 7:30 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Cease, Chairman; Mays, Nightingale, Roberts, Stevenson, Stuhr
Tippens

EXCUSED: Halvorson, Kirkpatrick, Nelson

STAFF: Rich, Garbutt, Cross

MINUTES

Approval of the minutes of November 17 Executive Committee meeting was moved and seconded by Tippens and Nightingale, and the motion passed.

ACCOUNTS

Approval of accounts (duplicating \$368.30) was moved and seconded by Mays and Tippens, and the motion passed.

DECEMBER 3 CONFERENCE

Stuhr reported that the revised questionnaire is completed and information packets for Friday are assembled. Twelve workshop groups will be set up with a discussion leader, a recorder and two resource people for each.

Stuhr offered to phone the Commission members who have not yet registered.

Cross: The total cost for the conference will be approximately \$1500. NAPA is paying the expenses of the speaker, Kent Mathewson. Two of the local banks contributed the binders and note pads for the information packets.

Nightingale asked what we would do if the public strongly opposed some parts of our bill at the conference.

Cease replied we would have to seriously reconsider the basic concepts if that did happen.

Roberts suggested we clearly state our objectives and ask for their support. The bill has been introduced; it is now up to the citizens to help get it passed. There may be a reluctance to the chief executive being too powerful. We might want to reduce the veto power.

Stuhr suggested sending a report of the conference proceedings to the participants.

MATCHING FUNDS

We have received two checks totalling \$517.34 which will be credited to the conference to help pay the cost of the conference. The check from Davies, Biggs, Strayer, Stoel & Boley for \$250.00 was in response to our original request in May, and will be deposited in our main account in Washington.

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Cross said the Oregon Community Foundation will make their final decision on our application in December and announce it in January. This money was requested specifically for media and publicity expense.

Rich said we have written to Charles Warren of NAPA asking for suggestions for organizations we might contact for contributions.

Cease emphasized that completing the local match is the priority item in our soliciting.

AGENDA FOR DECEMBER 16 COMMISSION MEETING

Rich announced that Charles Warren will give a brief report on the progress of the Denver Metropolitan Study.

Our legislative strategy, including the staff's role, will also be on the agenda. By the time the legislative session begins we would like to have amendments to add items which were omitted and clarify other items.

The recorders at the conference will get the names of people who want to be notified of the hearings of our bill.

Also on the agenda will be a report on the December 3 conference and the usual reports from the three standing committee chairpeople.

Rich: One of our projects should be to determine how much interest there is for a continuing citizens' committee. It would take a substantial budget for the staff which is essential to keep such a group going.

Cease announced a meeting of the Commission legislative committee today. We should also schedule a meeting with various city council members and anyone who is going to lobby in Salem to familiarize them with the details of the bill.

Since our proposal changes the power base, we must make an effort to reach the legislators before the session.

Tippens: It is very important not to ignore the interested people outside the Tri-County area. An informal get-together with them would be helpful.

Nightingale suggested we send a list of names and addresses of state representatives and senators to each commission member or phone them to find out which ones can be contacted for their support.

This will be done by the staff starting next week.

Meeting adjourned 9:00 a.m.

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