Assembly

WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE

NEVADA STATE LEGISLATURE, 54TH SESSION

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Norman D. Glaser at 2:11 P.M. February 15, 1967 in Ways and Means Committee Room.

Present: Mello, Tyson, Young, Harris, Glaser, Ashworth, Howard, Bowler Absent: Jacobsen

Also present, members of press, TV cameraman, Robert Bruce, S. W. Crosby of Taxpayers' Association and the following representatives of the University of Nevada: President Charles Armstrong; Neil Humphrey, vice-president, Finance; Chancellor Moyer, Nevada Southern; Chancellor Ed Miller, Reno; Professor Wendell Mordy, Vice-President, Desert Research Institute; Dr. Etzkoin, Director, Institutional Research; Regents Dr. Fred Anderson, Reno; Albert Seeliger, Carson City; Harold Jacobsen, Carson City; Dr. Louis Lombardi, Reno (2:25). Senator Hug, interested bystander.

Dr. Armstrong presented requests on the <u>WICHE Budget</u>, <u>Page 111</u>. Nevada is only state which has indenture clause, student must come back to the state and work after graduation or pay the state. They hope to have this clause removed.

<u>General Operating, University</u>. Dr. Armstrong discussed faculty salary schedule . need for books for both libraries, cost of graduate programs leading to Ph. D. Chancellor Miller spoke on aspects of the Reno program and gave figures on Master's Degrees issued in past years, as well as Ph.D's . He also commented on the program at Stead Air Force Base, Nevada Technical Institute. Discussion of Archaelogical survey in the Sage Building there and Agriculture Aviation School where students are learning crop dusting procedures.

Question of new medical school brought up with "some trepidation" by Chancellor Miller. It was explained there is no request for state money.

Harris out - 2:40.

Chairman Glaser said that inasmuch as Dr. Miller had opened the door on the Medical School question, he would permit some discussion but that it is such a sensitive subject at this time because of recent newspaper articles, etc. that he would wait for the public hearing to be held during the next week or 10 days to get into it extensively. Chairman Glaser asked whether the Board of Regents has a long-range educational plan in this respect, as they have in campus building plans and others. Dr. Armstrong said the University had been aware of this problem and had worked out a program, approved by the Board of Regents, which would establish a long range, comprehensive committee consisting of 15 members - 2 regents, 1 member of Board of Trustees of Carson

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College; money would provide a professional planning director plus secretarial assistance and some travel funds for members of the committee. He said a discussion was scheduled with the Governor in a day or so. Chairman Glaser asked if they anticipated any expenditure from this budget for the proposed medical school and Dr. Armstrong said not.

Pages 85, 108 discussed. Page 87. Question raised as to whether University has its own auditors or whether the Legislative Commission auditors come in.. They no longer do, but have not said they never will. Independent auditors come in, also federal auditors.

Al Seeliger spoke, saying he thought there was a lack of communication. He said material had been placed on legislators' desks which, if they had read, would have given them more insight into the situation. He spoke on behalf of a medical school and said he hoped additional information would be studied prior to the forthcoming hearing.

Chairman Glaser said he thought there probably had been a lack of communication. He said the University's relationship with the legislature was primarily one of "we provide the money, you provide the go." Problem is money.

Harold Jacobsen spoke of their money problems. He said the long range planning committee had long been advocated and that there would be 4 members of the logislature on the committee, two from each house.

Mrs. Tyson said she had not received any material such as Mr. Seeliger said was placed on the desks. Mr. Jacobsen said he had given it to the Sergeant at Arms, it was placed on every desk in both houses Monday morning at 10 0'clock. Dr. Anderson said they had hoped to communicate with all members of the Legislature but had felt it would be premature to bring the material over before it had been passed on by their group, which it had not. Dr. Armstrong said the long range committee would have access to all information. Chairman Glaser said the subcommittee was going to explore the subject and that he would expect to hear from Mrs. Tyson, chairman.

University group left at 3:18. Five minute recess called.

Meeting resumed at 3:35. All members present except Jacobsen. Joe Vianni present...concerning <u>AB 212</u>, increasing travel expense and subsistence allowances of state officers, employes; allowing county commissioners subsistence allowances.

Chairman Glaser read a memo concerning it from the State Department of Administration (Howard Barrett) who had been asked to explain it. He instructed the Secretary to have the letter duplicated for each member and for the minutes. He then read a letter from the University of Nevada in which they developed a statement of policy concerning the Physical Science Building Capital Improvement Fee Fund. The Secretary was instructed to have this letter duplicated for the Committee and for the Minutes. The Committee felt there should have been something in the letter concerning arbitrary increase of the fee, say to \$100 from the present \$42.00. Chairman Glaser asked Mrs. Tyson to have Neil Humphrey prepare a statement concerning this. Assembly Committee on Ways and Means Page three

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Chairman Glaser read another memo from Howard Barrett concerning three major tax collections made since the budget was printed, in the fields of sales, gaming and entertainment. He then instructed the Secretary to have the letter duplicated for the Minutes.

Joe Vianni asked that his bill, <u>AB 170</u>, be killed, there is another bill coming up.

AB 170 - Harris moved table this bill, seconded by Howard. Motion carried.

Mr. Ashworth out - 3:35.

Chairman Glaser said Mr. Jacobsen and Mr. Bowler were working on Marlette Lake and that it wouldn't be necessary to draw a bill up against the Virginia City Water Company because they "got the message" from the paper. Mr. Barrett said the contract was on his desk but he wanted to discuss it with the subcommittee before signing it.

<u>AB 137</u> - authorizing painting of former Governor Grant Sawyer. Russ McDonald investigated costs by talking with Craig Sheppard at the University. It was estimated at from \$4,000 to \$5,000 with the frame costing from \$250 to \$300, which he suggested the artist should include in the over-all contract price. Was suggested an amount from \$3,500 to \$5,000 should accomplish the task.

Bowler moved do pass, seconded by Howard - increase to \$5,000.00. Motion carried.

Mr. Ashworth back - 3:50.

Chairman Glaser announced the Committee had been asked to consider introducing several bills.

One increasing filing fees, Howard Barrett discussed it - in governor's budget for new revenue to increase filing fee in civil action from \$15.00 to \$30.00..would be referred back to Committee. Young moved that we introduce this bill, seconded by Bowler. Motion carried.

Another bill Mr. Barrett wants introduced - provides for payment of bond service charges from consolidated bond interest and redemption funds. Mr. Barrett explained. Young moved, "do pass," seconded by Howard. Motion carried.

Bill providing for deduction of accounts payable determining amount of reversion from Purchasing Division Revolving Fund to General Fund. Mr. Barrett explained. Would like to have introduced to make change corresponds with bill Senate Finance has introduced and is acting on in connection with printing fund. Young moved "do pass," seconded by Bowler. Motion carried.

Bill establishing Insurance Premium Revolving Fund. Mr. Barrett discussed. Premiums would be in total package, pro-rate to agencies. Mrs. Tyson moved "do pass," seconded by Mr. Howard. Motion carried.

Bill abolishing provisions for specific number of Motor Carrier and Highway Patrol personnel. Mr. Barrett explained. He said he would like to have it reprinted - in any case would have to put change in, striking out certain words. Mrs. Tyson moved "do pass," seconded by Ashworth..discussion - will be referred to Roads and Transportation, come back to Committee. Motion voted on, carried. Assembly Committee on Ways and Means Page Four

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Appropriation for support of Governor's office - from General Fund to the State Treasury. Mr. Barrett explained. Mrs. Tyson moved "do pass" seconded by Mr. Ashworth. Motion carried.

Bill amending provisions of State Budget relating to powers and duties of Budget Director, etc., act to amend NR 8353.185, etc. Mr. Barrett explained. Mr. Ashworth moved "do pass," seconded by Mr. Bowler. Motion carried.

Bill directing State Controller to transfer \$10,000 from Capital Improvement Account of Division of State Parks to its Operating Fund, fiscal 1966-67. Mr. Barrett explained.

Bowler moved, "do pass," Tyson seconded. Motion carried.

Howard Barrett said Mr. McDonald can draw the bills up immediately , have them introduced in the morning and re-referred back to the Committee.

Chairman Glasser said a colleague in the Assembly had given him a bill for Committee introduction, BDR 4-944. which he felt might be a little "sticky." Concerning interest to be assessed by Nevada Gaming Commission for late license fees and changing name from "Gambling" to "Gaming," on last page, 6, strike out the whole works on collection 7% per annum.

Mrs. Tyson moved to return to original sponsor. Ashworth seconded. Motion carried.

Mr. Bowler left at 4:11. Mr. Cahlan left. Mr. Ashworth moved the meeting be adjourned. Seconded by Mr. Harris. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 4:12 P.M.

Norman D. Glaser, Chairman

Agnes M. Nelson, Committee Stenographer



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AB 212

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Norman Glaser

· Howard Barrett FROM:

You asked for information on the cost of raising State employees' per diem from \$15 to \$20 in-state and \$20 to \$25 out-of-state.

While the figures for personal reimbursement for per diem and transportation are compiled separately, they were combined on the Controller's records. These figures are, however, reasonable:

1965-66			Increased <u>Cost</u>	40% General Fund Cost
In-state Out-of-state	\$397,971.33 64,796.42	-	\$133,265 16,199	\$53,300 6,480