

Present: Lauri, Torvinen, Wilson, Young, Glaser,
Schofield, and Mello

Absent: None

Also Present: Mr. Hancock, State Planning Board
Representative of the Press

Chairman Lauri convened the meeting at 11:10 a.m. and called on Mr. Hancock, from the State Planning Board, to present the plan concerning installation of microphone equipment in the Chambers.

Mr. Hancock presented a plan to the Committee for microphone equipment to be placed in the Chambers. Mr. Torvinen commented that our present electronic IBM equipment (recording system) does not work too well in the rooms. Mr. Torvinen said that he had talked to Russ McDonald regarding multi-track recorders which have two advantages over the new system: (1) they run for five to six hours; (2) you can listen to each microphone separately. IBM has a six-track recorder which was quoted at \$6,000 three years ago. This particular recorder is specially designed for court room recording. The Public Service Commission has such a recorder.

Hancock advised the Committee of a proposal from Executone for a recording system. In the Assembly chambers, there would be microphones on each side section and in the middle section. The equipment would consist of tape equipment and five switches for the control of the two microphones and the three swinging microphones. One swinging microphone would be on each side of the chamber. There would be two speakers on tripods. The Senate has the same microphone setup but with only three microphones. The maximum cost is \$5,084. The equipment could be installed by Monday, January 25, if it were approved. The equipment could be made permanent. The microphones amplify, pickup and record. All the microphones could be blanked out if just one microphone was desired for recording purposes. All of the microphones are on separate tracks. They could all be used for recording. A motion or a particular section could be played back. It then has to be reset in order to record again.

Hancock advised the Committee that the equipment could not be rented. It might be used on a trial basis or a guarantee may be worked out. Additional equipment could be added. It has enough power to add additional speakers or another amplifier. Terry Loy would control those microphones which would be on. Schofield commented that the complete system would have cost \$25,000 to \$30,000. Glaser said that he felt the Committee should move ahead on the foregoing. The cost would be approximately \$2,500 from each House. A comment was made as to whether or not this would be submitted for a bid. Torvinen made a motion

that the equipment be purchased subject to Russ McDonald's objection that we need a formal bid. Also, the matter would have to be discussed with the Senate. Glaser recommended that we purchase the equipment, not to exceed \$5,084 maximum. Wilson seconded. Motion carried. (See further discussion regarding lights and buzzers below).

Resolution No. 1*, from Zel Lowman, Nevada Industrial Commission. Torvinen commented that the Legislative Functions Committee holds such material until the end of the session. Schofield felt that the Committee should act on such material as soon as possible. Torvinen said that the Committee starts their investigations after the session. Lauri commented that this matter would be brought up at the end of the session. Glaser said that the studies go before the Ways and Means Committee first. It then goes to the Legislative Commission when we are through with it. The Legislative Counsel Bureau is the Legislation Commission staff. They have a committee to make the studies. There is also a Legislative sub-committee. There is an equal number of Democrats and Republicans. It is non-political.

Commission from Nadine Reid. Do you want name badges and desk name plates? We have a request that we have authorization for intern name badges. Actually for the intern name badges they are waiting for a list of all the members. When the list is completed, we will go to Nadine to have them ordered. No motion needed.

Continued discussion was brought up about the lights and buzzers for the chambers. The plan is to put a light and a buzzer near the entrance to the chambers and inside the lounge. You would be able to hear the buzzers outside even near the telephone hall. No confirmed quote from the contract until tomorrow. No buzzers are to be installed on the second floor. There are telephones in all of the committee rooms on the second floor.

Mr. Espinosa's name was mentioned but no discussion or action was taken.

Schofield brought up the matter of parking. The Counsel Bureau assumed the responsibility of marking the parking stalls. He felt that they should have names or numbers within vision when pulling into a stall. They should be shown on the face of the curb. It was commented that the stalls should have been numbered so that they could be used session after session. Torvinen said that it should be suggested to the Legislative Counsel to get some printed signs or have the names printed on the face of the curb. Ann Rollins will be so advised.

Schofield made a report on vending machines. He had contacted Mrs. Reid and the gentleman representing the blind. They have to make a profit. By this Friday or Monday, they will have the vending machines installed. He suggested a gum and candy machine and a coffee and hot chocolate machine. He suggested it should be put in the room down by the lounge.

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Chairman Lauri brought up the subject of committee rooms that do not have adjoining offices to them. Wilson commented that the Speaker should be at the meeting when this matter is discussed. Glaser commented that he did not feel this was a matter for the Committee until the Chairman and the Speaker discussed this matter. Then it could be presented to the Committee as to the space available.

Chairman Lauri said that it has been suggested that a work and study room be supplied for the Assembly members.

Chairman Lauri said he had a request concerning a Public Relations and Information program submitted by Mr. Stanton. The State already has its own Public Relations Officer and no further discussion took place.

Torvinen said that the Legislative Commission reprinted the handbook this year -- one with a paper cover and one with pictures and space available for additional papers to be added later in the form of a brochure. Torvinen further added that the Committee had authorized the program for slides. This was concerned with educational slides with a sound track for schools and institutions of this nature.

Chairman Lauri advised the Committee that Cherie Cross wanted to be accredited.

Pay adjustments for attaches was brought up. Terry Loy had previously been authorized to go to 45 attaches. Two positions are left to be filled -- the Assistant Sergeant at Arms and a Supervisor.

Chairman Lauri commented that a letter from the Hi-Y would have to be answered. Torvinen commented that they could not use the building until the session was completed.

The minutes from the previous meeting of January 18, 1971, were corrected.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:50 a.m.

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