

MINUTES - WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE  
NEVADA STATE LEGISLATURE - 56th SESSION - MARCH 10, 1971

Chairman Young called the meeting to order at 3:15 P.M.

Present: R. Young, Howard, Capurro, Hafen, F. Young, Brookman, Mello, Schofield, Swackhamer, Hilbrecht, Lingenfelter

Absent: None

Guests: Earl Oliver, Fiscal Analyst; John Dolan, Dept. Admin; George Frank, UPI; Dr. K. Guinn, Superintendent of Schools, Clark County, Mr. Greer, Clark County School District

Refer to handout from Clark County School District (Financial Report, Budget Requirements for next biennium, Estimated Expenditures, Revenue Projections, Operating Budget Projections, Supplemental Report)

Opening remarks by Dr. Guinn.

Mr. Greer made a presentation of transparencies regarding revenue projections, deficit balance and estimated expenditures for the Clark County School District.

S. B. 188 - Makes appropriation to state department of education for financial assistance to county school districts.

Dr. Guinn asked for approval of bill which provides a one shot appropriation of \$4,000,000. Appropriation would be allotted to districts according to growth and enrollment. \$458,000 of this appropriation would be used as a payment for integration emergency loans which are becoming due next year. This would result in a savings which could be added into total available funds. Total available funds would then be \$5,340,977.

Dr. Guinn discussed budget priorities: Offset deficit of \$1,405,000; Pay off emergency integration loans \$1,738,000; Reduction in Teacher pupil ratio; Provide elementary library services outside the ratio; Salary increases.

In answer to Chairman Young's question, Dr. Guinn stated that salary increases were not based on additional \$4,000,000. If \$4,000,000 were allocated, part of this would be used to pay off the loans. Priority items would be funded from total available funds.

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ADA Support - Dr. Guinn asked that basic state aid support be increased by 16% for first part of biennium (from \$560 to \$650) and an additional 3% increase in second part of biennium to \$669.

Integration Program - Dr. Guinn asked the Committee that State funds be provided for cost of the court mandated integration program (estimated cost is \$600,000 per year). Funds would primarily be used for transportation. Each day, approximately 22,000 students are bussed. A savings of \$200,000 has been realized by changing the starting times of schools.

Discussion on Integration plan. Presently students have a choice of 6 schools to attend.

Dr. Guinn remarked that Clark County is spending 1.9% of budget on administration costs. The national average being 4%. Clark County School District has the lowest administration costs in State. There are a total of 39 administrators in their central office. Clark County is the 34th largest school district in the U.S. in student population.

Discussion on Urban High School and Vo Tech. Programs in these two schools are working extremely well. Dr. Guinn remarked that a Community College would help administratively; \$150,000 a year could be saved.

Discussion on reading specialists. This is a prime area of concern; presently there are 23 reading specialists in Clark County School District. Governor is emphasizing reading program in public schools.

Custodians - Clark County has opened up 21 additional schools and have only increased custodians from 312 to 327.

Statewide Athletic Program - General fund subsidy of \$120,000 a year.

Discussion on salaries - Dr. Guinn stated that beginning salaries are good. Salary for highest paid teacher in district is low. Maintenance salaries are low (maintenance personnel start at approximately \$434 a month and hospitalization, retirement and income tax are taken out of this amount).

Mr. Lingenfelter remarked that approximately 82% of budget is for salaries.

Teacher turnover rate in Clark County is 9% and it is expected to go down.

Dr. Guinn stated that Clark County School District would like to work closely with the Subcommittee on Education in regards to the distributive school fund.

In regards to the State aid support for ADA, Chairman Young questioned Dr. Guinn as to what would happen if Clark County School District was given a 12% increase the first year and a 16% increase the second year. Dr. Guinn stated that this would hurt the district.

Chairman Young asked for approval of the minutes of the Feb. 23, 24, 25th and Mar. 1, 2nd meetings.  
Mr. Mello moved approval of the minutes.  
Mr. Howard Seconded the motion.  
Motion carried.

CLOSING BUDGETS:

PAGE 23 - SPECIAL FUND

Mr. F. Young moved the following amendment: \$30,000 be appropriated for each part of the biennium, and approval of the budget as amended.  
Mr. Mello Seconded the motion  
PASSED

Nays: Hilbrecht, Brookman

PAGE 24 - PRIVATE DETECTIVE

Mr. Mello moved approval of the budget as recommended by the Governor  
Mr. Capurro Seconded the motion  
PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

PAGE 51 - BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

Mr. Hilbrecht moved the following amendment: Regular appropriation of \$23,557 in first half of biennium and \$24,793 for second half of biennium, and approve budget as recommended by the Governor and amended.  
Mr. Mello Seconded the motion  
PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

PAGE 55 - GENERAL SERVICES WORKING CAPITAL FUND

Mr. Howard moved approval of the budget as recommended by the Governor

Mr. Mello Seconded the motion

PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

PAGE 57 - BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS STATEWIDE LEASES

Mr. F. Young moved approval of the budget as recommended by the Governor

Mr. Hilbrecht Seconded the motion

PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

PAGE 75 - URBAN PLANNING

HOLD

PAGE 79 - STATE PRINTING OFFICE CONTINUING FUND

HOLD

PAGE 155 - NEVADA HERITAGE ASSOCIATION

Mr. Howard moved approval of the budget as recommended by the Governor

Mr. Capurro Seconded the motion

PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

PAGE 156 - MUSEUM

Mr. F. Young moved approval of the budget as recommended by the Governor

Mrs. Brookman Seconded the motion

PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

PAGE 159 - NEVADA COUNCIL ON ARTS

Mr. Swackhamer remarked that originally this council stated that they wouldn't ask for an increase in appropriation once they became a State agency.

Mr. Capurro felt that the Committee should take more time in reviewing Council's request for an increase in appropriation. He remarked that the Council has done an extremely well job in providing worthwhile entertainment for the youth of Nevada.

Being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:00 P.M.

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AGENDA - MARCH 10, 1971 - WEDNESDAYAFTERNOON - BUDGET HEARING

<u>TIME</u>	<u>AGENCY</u>	<u>PAGE</u>	<u>REPRESENTATIVE</u>
2:00	DISTRIBUTIVE SCHOOL FUND		Dr. K. Guinn, Clark County

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AGENDA - MARCH 4, 1971, - THURSDAYMORNING - BILL HEARINGS

<u>TIME</u>	<u>BILL/RESOLUTION</u>	<u>SUBJECT</u>
8:00	A.C.R. 34.....	Authorizes joint legislative committee investigating NIC matters to expend moneys from legislative fund.
	S.B. 109.....	Provides method of funding emergency aid to livestock and agriculture industries.
	A.B. 119.....	Makes appropriation to U. of N. for agricultural and research in Amargosa Valley.
	S.B. 149.....	Makes appropriation to state general obligation bond commission fund.
	S.B. 150.....	Makes appropriations to various state fund accounts.
	A.B. 277.....	Allows state planning board to use grants of money for public buildings or projects.
	A.B. 331.....	Places state law library under supreme court control.
	A.B. 488.....	Creates aging services division in dept. of health, welfare and rehab.

AFTERNOON

<u>TIME</u>	<u>AGENCY</u>	<u>PAGE</u>	<u>REPRESENTATIVE</u>
2:00	Public Employees Retirement Board		Don Anderson