# Minutes of Meeting - February 4, 1975

The second meeting of the Committee on Education was held on February 4, 1975 at 1:00 p.m., Room 323.

# COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Chairman Richard H. Bryan Senator Schofield Senator Blakemore Senator Foote Senator Neal Senator Sheerin Senator Young

## OTHERS PRESENT:

Edmond Psaltis, WCTA
Stan Cooper, School Trustee, Churchill County
Kenneth Hansen, Nevada Dept. of Education
Preston Price, Esmeralda County Schools
Wayne S. Marteney, Esmeralda County School Board President
Robert Petroni, Clark County Schools
Richard Morgan, Nevada State Education Assn.
Robert Best, Nev. State School Board Assn.
John Gamble, Nev. Department of Education

Upon reading of the minutes of the January 21 meeting, Senator Neal moved that these minuted be approved, seconded by Senator Young; unanimously carried.

Senator Bryan advised the members that a mailing list has been initiated which will serve as notice of forthcoming meetings to all school superintendents, presidents of school boards, Washoe and Clark County Teacher's Association, and State Department of Education. The committee members were advised that if they would like additional names added to this mailing list, they should contact the chairman or the secretary of this committee.

S.B. 10 -- Permits more than one trustee from same school district to attend national school board association meetings outside State of Nevada

John Gamble spoke in favor of S.B. 10, stating that the Department of Education has approved this bill. Mr. Gamble further stated that if more than one trustee were allowed to attend meetings, they would be able to provide much better and more information back to the Trustees.

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Mr. Bob Petroni spoke in favor of <u>S.B. 10</u>, and advised the committee members that the one meeting they are most interested in sending more than one trustee is the National School Boards Association Conference which is held annually. Mr. Petroni further stated that the travel that would be involved is a school board budget item; this would have to be approved by the school board as well as who would be delegated to attend such meetings.

Ken Hansen also spoke in favor of the bill, stating that further interest in this is to carry out legislative intent that local boards be given freedom to operate since they are elected bodies.

Preston Price commented that he concurs with Mr. Petroni's statement and that this would enable various school district members to get together and become aware of what is going on in other areas.

Following further discussion, Senator Neal moved "Do Pass"; seconded by Senator Schofield; unanimously carried. (Copy of bill marked as <u>Exhibit A</u> and attached hereto)

S.B. 11 -- Provides additional exception to rule against employment of related persons within same school district.

John Gamble stated that since this law was amended in 1973 to include "department heads", there has been much confusion as to what constitutes a department head in a school district. To correct this, the amendment places the hiring in the same category as the exception in the law provided for hiring of relatives of school trustees.

Preston Price commented that the neoptism law is often used in rural education in Nevada. Mr. Price further stated that they are in favor of this bill being considered as it is. The secret to the whole bill is the ananimous vote of all members, which does not always occur. That is good insurance for the public interest.

Bob Best commented that the School Board Association feels that "department head" should be in the second paragraph. Edmond Psaltis stated that "administrator" rather than "head of department" would be more appropriate.

Senator Bryan appointed Senator Neal as Chairman of a subcommittee to work with the State Board of Education and others to obtain further information on this, including the Attorney General's opinion, Title VII and IX. The subcommittee will be composed of Senators Neal, Foote and Sheerin. Senate Education Committee Minutes of Meeting February 4, 1975

S.B. 13 -- Permits board of trustees of school district to sell real property of value of \$1,000 or less without independent appraisal.

John Gamble spoke in favor of the bill, commenting that they should have the right to sell the land, but felt that the value should be raised to \$5,000 rather than \$1,000.

Bob Petroni also spoke in favor of the bill; however, Mr. Petroni feels that they need only two appraisers rather than three.

Senator Foote moved that S.B. 13 be amended to increase the value from \$1,000 to \$5,000 and that the number of appraisers be reduced from three to two - one being appointed by the local school district and the other by the State Board; seconded by Senator Schofield; unanimously carried. (Copy of S.B. 13 marked as Exhibit B and attached hereto).

Being no further business at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 2:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon W. Mahar Sagratary

APPROVED:

Richard H. Bryan Chairman

#### SENATE BILL NO. 10—COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

#### **JANUARY 22, 1975**

#### Referred to Committee on Education

SUMMARY-Permits more than one trustee from same school district to attend national school board association meetings outside State of Nevada. Fiscal Note: No. (BDR 34-54)



EXPLANATION—Matter in *italics* is new; matter in brackets [ ] is material to be omitted.

AN ACT to amend NRS 386.345 relating to payment of travel expenses and per diem allowances by the board of trustees of a school district; by expanding the number of trustees from a school district that may attend national school board association meetings outside the state; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

The People of the State of Nevada, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. NRS 386.345 is hereby amended to read as follows: 1. The board of trustees of a school district may:

(a) Acquire and maintain membership in county, state and national school board associations and pay dues to such associations.

(b) Notwithstanding any limitations contained in NRS 386.290, pay

the travel expenses and per diem allowances of:

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(1) Trustees at the same rate authorized by law for state officers when such trustees attend meetings of such county and state associations within the state.

(2) Not more than one trustee of any school district at the same rate authorized by law for state officers when such trustees attend any meeting of such national associations outside the state.] of trustees at the same rate authorized by law for state officers when the trustees attend county, state or national school board association meetings.

Claims for dues, travel expenses and per diem allowances authorized in subsection 1 shall be presented and allowed as provided by law

for other claims against the school district.

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#### SENATE BILL NO. 13—COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

#### JANUARY 22, 1975

## Referred to Committee on Education

SUMMARY—Permits board of trustees of school district to sell real property of value of \$1,000 or less without independent appraisal. Fiscal Note: No. (BDR 34-51)



EXPLANATION—Matter in *Italics* is new; matter in brackets [ ] is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to sale, lease or rental of real property belonging to a school district; providing for the sale of real property belonging to the district without independent appraisal where the fair market value is \$5,000 or less; reducing the number of appraisers required to be appointed; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

The People of the State of Nevada, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. NRS 393.240 is hereby amended to read as follows: 393.240 1. [When] Except as provided in subsection 5 and NRS 393.3251 to 393.3255, inclusive, when the board of trustees proposes to sell or lease any real property, [except for the lease or rental of real property pursuant to NRS 393.3251 to 393.3255, inclusive,] the board shall appoint [two appraisers. A third] one appraiser. A second appraiser shall be appointed by the state department of education.

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2. The appraisers shall make a report to the board of trustees of their findings and determinations of the cash market value of the property proposed to be sold, or the rental value of the property proposed to be leased.

3. No sale or lease of real property shall be made for less than the value fixed by the appraisers.

4. The compensation of the appraisers shall be fixed by the board of trustees, and shall be a legal charge against the school district fund.

5. The board of trustees may sell real property without independent appraisal where the property is reasonably determined by the board to have a fair market value of \$5,000 or less.

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