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Assembly Committee on EDUCATION

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MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman Craddock

Vice Chairman Foley

Mr. Beyer
Mr. Coulter
Mrs. Hayes
Mr. Horn
Mr. Malone
Mr. Rackley
Mr. Vergiels

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

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STAFF PRESENT: Don Rhodes, Chief Deputy Research Director

GUEST PRESENT: Lee Wastell, Nevada State Education Association

Chairman Craddock called the meeting to order at 12:04 p.m. and informed the committee that Don Rhodes would be the committee staff research person.

Chairman Craddock asked that the Proposed Standing Rules of the Education Committee be reviewed. The only change from the first draft is under #2, changing the quorum number from 6 to 5.

Mr. Vergiels asked under what conditions a hearing would be called.

Chairman Craddock replied that a hearing would be called at any time that it was the will of the majority of the committee. Chairman Craddock further stressed that he intended the will of the majority to be the main thurst of this committee.

Mr. Horn moved that the Standing Rules be adopted, seconded by Mr. Malone. Motion passed by unanimous vote. (EXHIBIT B, attached)

Chairman Craddock then requested each member of the committee to speak briefly.

Mr. Beyer commented that he felt comfortable with the group and that he was pleased to serve on the committee. He noted he has several children in the school system and that his wife is a school teacher.

Mr. Horn has served on the Education Committee before and appreciated the Chairman's intent to work as a team and to work towards the will of the majority.

Mr. Coulter has served on the Committee before also.

Miss Foley is eager to serve as Vice Chairman.

Mr. Vergiels is glad to be back, this being his fifth time on this committee.

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Mrs. Hayes is beginning her second term on this committee and stated she may have a bill to introduce having to do with the attendance policy of Clark County.

Mr. Malone is also back for a second time.

Mr. Rackley stated it is his first term on the committee and he is looking forward to new challenges. He also noted his wife is a retired school teacher.

Chairman Craddock asked committee members to review the letter before them to Ted Sanders, Superintendent of Public Instruction, which sets up a series of meetings. (EXHIBIT A, attached) The Chairman requested that each of the three meetings be well represented by at least a quorum of committee members.

Mr. Vergiels asked that the committee members give the Chairman a commitment to be at these meetings to pay respect to the many people who come to these meetings from all over the state.

The Chairman stated he appreciated the support and noted that members would probably be pleasantly surprised by what would be heard at these meetings. He also commented he hoped that the discussions would not just center on finance, but would cover many different aspects of education.

Mr. Rhodes commented that when the invitations were extended, it was emphasized that a broad overview of concerns was expected to be discussed.

Chairman Craddock commented he is pleased to have committee members on a variety of other committees, particularly four members on the Ways and Means Committee and one on Taxation. The Chairman was concerned that three committees did not have representatives: Commerce, Economic Development and particularly, Health and Welfare.

Mr. Beyer asked about Minute Books. Chairman Craddock assured him each committee member would have a continuous Minute Book available, kept up to date by the Secretary.

Chairman Craddock asked that members try not to talk simultaneously since the meetings are recorded and it is difficult to discern who is talking when listening to the tapes later.

Mr. Rhodes noted it also helps if the Chairman repeat who made a motion, the motion, and who seconded it for the record.

Chairman Craddock adjourned the meeting at 12:22 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dorothy Mobley Assembly Attache

#### **ASSEMBLY**

AGENDA FOR COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION
Thursday
Date January 22, 1981 TimeAdjournment Room 214

Bills or Resolutions to be considered

**Subject** 

Counsel requested\*

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EXHIBIT A

Ted Sanders, Superintendent of Public Instruction State Dept. of Education 400 W. King St. Carson City, NV 89710

Dear Ted:

As you know, we are both greatly concerned about the current status and issues related to elementary and secondary education in Nevada.

We anticipate several pieces of legislation dealing with specific educational matters will be dealt with by our committees. We would, however, like to take some time before addressing specific educational matters to acquaint our respective committees with the current state of elementary and secondary education in Nevada and to hear the general concerns of those involved in the process including representatives of local school districts, the state department of education, teachers' organizations, the Parent Teachers Association and private citizens.

We are writing to seek your assistance in organizing the orientation sessions for our committees. The senate human resources and facilities committee meets daily at 8 a.m in room 323 of the legislative building. The assembly committee on education will be meeting at 3 p.m. on Wednesdays and Thursdays in room 214.

The schedule we would like to follow for the orientation presentations is:

Wednesday, January 28, 1981

Representatives of the Nevada State School Boards Association.

Representatives of Clark and Washoe County School Districts.

Thursday, January 29, 1981

Representatives of the Carson City and rural school districts in the state.

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## Wednesday, February 4, 1981

Representatives of the state department of education including the state board of education and the superintendent of public instruction.

Representatives of organizations, such as the State of Nevada Employee's Association, which represent teachers.

Representatives of the Parent Teachers Association.

The general public.

We would like the above referenced presentations made once in the morning at 8 a.m. before the senate committee on human resources and facilities and then again at 3 p.m. in the afternoon before the assembly committee on education.

Thank you very much for your assistance in this matter. If you have any questions please feel free to communicate with us or Don Rhodes in the research division.

Yours truly,

Senator Joe Neal Chairman, Senate Committee on Human Resources

Assemblyman Robert G. Craddock Chairman, Assembly Committee on Education

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# STANDING RULES OF THE ASSEMBLY EDUCATION COMMITTEE SIXTY-FIRST SESSION, 1981

- The Order of Business under which this Committee shall be organized is as follows:
  - Constitution of the State of Nevada;
  - Nevada Revised Statutes b)
  - Standing Rules of the Nevada Assembly: c)
  - Standing Rules of the Assembly Education Committee; and
  - Mason's Manual of Parliamentary Procedure
- A minimum of five (5) members of this Committee will constitute a quorum. A quorum must be present to hear a Bill or Resolution.
- Definite action on a Bill or Resolution will require a majority of the entire Committee.
- A two-thirds majority of six (6) of all the Committee is required to reconsider action on a Bill or Resolution.
- Committee introduction requires concurrence of two-thirds (six (6)) of the Committee and does not imply commitment to any specific action.
- a) Duties of the Chairman:
  - Prepare the Agenda;
  - ii) Call Committee together;
  - iii) Notify members:
    - iv) Appoint sub-committee as needed;
    - v) Require minutes to be kept and presented at following meeting; and Prepare Committee reports
  - vi)
  - All questions concerning Committee procedure will be directed through the Chairman.
- Attendance will be taken at every meeting.
- The Secretary of the Committee shall call the roll at the beginning of each meeting, noting members present, absent and/or late. Absences excused will be so recorded.
- Sub-committees may be formed at the discretion of the Chairman.
- A minority report can be filed with the Chief Clerk at the same time the Committee action is reported. A minority report must be signed by all members of the Committee disagreeing with the Committee action who are present when the vote is taken. The members who desire to submit a minority report must so indicate in advance, to a quorum of the Committee.

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- 11. All definite actions of the Committee will require roll call votes which shall be recorded by the Secretary.
- 12. In the absence of, or at the discretion of, the Chairman, the Vice Chairman shall conduct the meetings of the Committee.
- 13. Any final voting action of the Committee will not be made until all witnesses have been heard and dismissed. The Chairman shall determine when a final action is to be taken.
- 14. All meetings and deliberations of this Committee will be open and available to the public and all members of the media.
- 15. The Committee may swear in persons appearing before the Committee to give testimony, pursuant to NRS 218.535.