



April 15, 2015, Meeting Minutes

Red Lion Hotels, 2525 North 20th Avenue, Pasco, WA 99301

The meeting of the Washington Citizens' Commission on Salaries for Elected Officials was brought to order by Chair, Dick Walter, at 6:06 p.m.

Commissioners Members Present:

- Greg Dallaire
- Dorothy Gerard (Telephone)
- Liz Heath, Vice-Chair (Telephone)
- Lynda Henderson
- Steve Isaac
- Wayne Jiang
- Ned Lange
- Raymond Miller
- Patrick Pavey
- Dick Walter, Chair

Commission Members Excused:

- Melissa Albert
- Michael Donabedian
- Erin John
- Sarah Mahoskey
- Flasha Merris
- Justine Winnie

Staff Present

- Teri Wright, Executive Director
- Pam Morris, Executive Assistant

Meeting Opening Statement and Approval of the March 25, 2015 Minutes

Dick Walter, read the meeting opening statement and asked if everyone had reviewed their copy of the minutes from March 25, 2015. There was a motion made by Ned Lange to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded by Raymond Miller and carried by a unanimous voice vote.

Review Meeting Folder Items

Teri Wright went over the meeting folder contents.

Public Testimony: No one from the public was in attendance.

Commission Work Session

Dick shared an overview of the upcoming, last public hearing, which will be held on May 13th, in Olympia, in which a final two-year salary schedule must be adopted. He also stated that the salary schedule may, or may not be the same as the proposal adopted in January. Commissioners joined in for a short discussion on the process and impact of their proposal on the 2016-2017 budget.

Dick asked Teri to give an update on WCCSEO's office budget. Teri shared that the 2016-17 budget has been increased by 13k. However, the increase has been allocated to central services to cover increasing fixed costs only. She also stated that she is inquiring if she can legally move WCCSEO office completely out of the state's central services systems.

Teri gave Wayne kudos for working out the numbers for the 2016-17 proposed salary increases.

Commissioners reviewed the total costs of the proposed salary increases and discussed their impact and compared their proposal to the Governor's salary proposal.

Teri stated that the impact of the 2016-17 proposed salary increases to the total state's budget of 79 Billion is less than four tenth of one percent. A short discussion ensued by Commissioners around this information.

The meeting was adjourned by a motion by Raymond Miller and seconded by Ned Lange. The motion was carried by a unanimous voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.



Dick Walter, Chair

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Date