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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
JULY 29, 1980

CALL TO ORDER

A scheduled meeting of the Legislative Council was held in the Legislative Council Chambers, Room 327, and called to order by Sen. Richard H. Pierce, Chairman, at 1:15 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Senators: Sen. Conley, Sen. Katz, Sen. Pierce, Sen. Pray

Representatives: Rep. Mitchell, Rep. Tarbell

Staff: William Garside - Legislative Administrative Director
Brian Blaisdell - Legislative Research Asst. Director
Ronald Lord - Legislative Finance Officer
Helen Ginder - Legislative Assistants Coordinator
Edith Hary - Law Librarian

SECRETARY'S REPORT

MOTION

Sen. Katz moved to accept the minutes of the meeting of June 20, 1980 as presented.

The motion was seconded by Rep. Mitchell and carried unanimously.

STAFF REPORTS

Edith Hary, Law Librarian, submitted to the Council for approval, also under Old Business, Item #1b, merit increases for the following employees:

	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>PROPOSED</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE DATE</u>
Mary Louise B. Debenham	\$363.00	\$381.15	5-15-80
Laura L. Goss	207.60	216.00	5-15-80
Simone Antworth	195.60	203.60	6-12-80
David L. Rabasca	336.80	353.20	7-17-80

MOTION

Sen. Katz moved that the request for the recommended merit increases be approved.

The motion was seconded by Rep. Mitchell and carried unanimously.

COMMUNICATIONS

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Letter from Governor Brennan regarding Retirement System

MOTION

Sen. Conley moved that the communication be received and placed on file.

The motion was seconded by Sen. Katz and carried unanimously. Further discussion

Rep. Mitchell recommended that the Chairman send a copy of the Governor's letter to the Senate and House Chairmen of the Committee on Aging, Retirement and Veterans.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Aging, Retirement and Veterans - Final report of the Rules of the Bureau of Veterans Services.

MOTION

Sen. Katz moved that the report be received and placed on file.

The motion was seconded by Sen. Conley and carried unanimously.

Marine Resources - Final report on Soft Shell Clam Resources and a letter from Commissioner Spencer Apollonio regarding this final report.

MOTION

Sen. Conley moved that the report and letter be tabled until next meeting and that Commissioner Apollonio be invited to the next Council meeting in regard to this report.

The motion was duly seconded and carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

Ronald Lord, Legislative Finance Officer - Hiring of Program Analyst and a letter from Rep. Georgette Berube and Sen. James McBreairty regarding the hiring of a Program Analyst.

MOTION

Sen. Conley moved that the communication from Sen. McBreairty and Rep. Berube be received and placed on file.

The motion was seconded by Rep. Mitchell and carried unanimously.

MOTION

Sen. Conley moved that the hiring of a Program Analyst be tabled until the next Council meeting.

The motion was duly seconded and carried. Sen. Katz opposed.

William Garside, Legislative Administrative Director - Salary Schedule Plan Maine Canadian Legislative Advisory Office - After a brief discussion on the Salary Plan for Legislative Employees, including the Canadian Advisory Office, the Council expressed its desire that this item remain tabled until the next Council meeting pending a subcommittee report to the Council regarding a professional study.

NEW BUSINESS

Sen. Samuel Collins and Rep. Bonnie Post submitted to the Council a request for authorization for travel for Jon Hull to attend meetings between State, Federal and Indian Representatives on the Federal bills that take place in Maine and Washington D.C. on Indian Land Claims.

MOTION

Rep. Mitchell moved to authorize travel with the approval of each trip to be given by Sen. Collins and Rep. Post for Jon Hull to attend meetings. Further discussion on this item to be discussed at the next Council meeting.

The motion was seconded by Sen. Katz and carried. (Sen. Pray opposed) Sen. Pierce cast a proxie vote for Sen. Sewall for this motion.

Rep. Tarbell advised the members that the Blaine House Conference on Small Business will be holding 4 regional meetings throughout the State starting late August or early September. The request brought to him to bring to the Council was that each member of the House and Senate appoint or delegate one person representing small business in their district to attend these meetings.

MOTION

Rep. Tarbell moved that each House member and each Senate member appoint or delegate a member from their district to attend meetings of the Blaine House Conference on Small Business.

The motion was seconded by Sen. Katz and carried unanimously.

Correction in the Legislative Council minutes of June 20, 1980

NEW BUSINESS

Committee on Audit & Program Review request reconsideration of 5 meetings to work on sunset.

MOTION

Sen. Katz moved to accept the request not to exceed 10 additional meetings.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION

Rep. Tarbell moved that the Council meeting be adjourned (1:45 p.m.)

The motion was duly seconded and carried unanimously.