

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
December 21, 1982

CALL TO ORDER

A meeting of the Legislative Council was held in the Legislative Council Chambers, Room 327 and called to order by Chairman Charles P. Pray at 10:30 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Senators: Sen. Carpenter, Sen. Conley, Sen. Gill,
Sen. Pray

Representatives: Rep. Davis, Rep. Diamond, Rep.
Higgins, Rep. Martin, Rep. Mitchell

Legislative Officers and Staff:

William Garside - Legislative Administrative Director
Ronald Lord - Legislative Finance Officer
Helen Ginder - Legislative Assistants Coordinator
Lynn Randall - Acting Law Librarian
David Silsby - Legislative Research Director

SECRETARY'S REPORT

MOTION

Rep. Martin moved that the minutes of November 29, and December 1, 1982 be accepted.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

LEGISLATIVE OFFICERS AND STAFF REPORTS

Helen Ginder, Legislative Assistants Coordinator, informed the Council that a position that was previously authorized has now been filled by Sarah Hooke at a starting salary of \$362.39 per week.

Ronald Lord, Legislative Finance Officer, submitted a letter concerning the resignation of Barbara Gottschalk, Senior Program Analyst, and requesting that Janet Waldron, Program Analyst, be promoted to the vacant position with a one-step increase and also, that he be authorized to fill the vacant Program Analyst position.

MOTION

Sen. Conley moved that Barbara Gottschalk's resignation be accepted and that Janet Waldron be promoted to Senior Program Analyst but that the vacant position not be filled at this time.

Sen. Gill seconded the motion and it was carried unanimously.

David Silsby, Legislative Research Director, submitted a letter to the Council concerning merit increases for the following employees:

	<u>Present</u>	<u>Proposed</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Deanne Ricker	\$207.75	\$215.01	05/03/82
Mary Harding	247.21	256.74	12/06/82
Josephine Glidden	360.16	377.40	01/05/83
Elizabeth Gosselin	362.65	380.04	02/14/83
Kathleen Kaloustian	260.82	271.25	03/29/83

MOTION

Sen. Conley moved that the merit increases be approved.

Rep. Mitchell seconded the motion and it was carried unanimously.

Mr. Silsby also requested approval to fill two part-time vacancies with the following people:

	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Carol Weeks	\$200.94	12/06/82
Germaine Longley	\$215.01	12/13/82

MOTION

Rep. Martin moved that these positions be approved.

Sen. Conley seconded the motion and it was carried unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

A letter from the Committee on Education requesting an extension in filing its report on Residential Placements was submitted to the Council and discussion followed.

MOTION

Rep. Martin moved that the study be referred to the new Committee on Education for the 111th Legislature.

Sen Conley seconded the motion and it was carried unanimously.

A letter from the Committee on Education concerning an extension on a study report about Maine's School Finance Law, was submitted to the Council and discussed.

MOTION

Rep. Martin moved that the extension be granted.

Rep. Mitchell seconded the motion and it was carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

A letter from Sen. Collins concerning salaries for appointed Republican Senate Leadership personnel: May Ross and Christine Patrick was submitted to the Council and discussion followed.

MOTION

Sen. Conley moved that the letter be tabled.

Rep. Mitchell seconded the motion and it was carried unanimously.

MOTION

Sen. Conley moved that a subcommittee be appointed to review the pay schedules for partisan aides and secretaries.

Sen. Carpenter seconded the motion and it was carried

unanimously.

The subcommittee interviewing persons for the Legislative Administrative Director's position recommended that Sarah Capps Diamond be selected to fill the vacancy effective January 31, 1983, at Step A.

MOTION

Rep. Martin moved that the recommendation of Sarah Capps Diamond as the new Legislative Administrative Director be approved.

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

A letter from Ronald Lord, Legislative Finance Officer, requesting reappointment to his position and also that Bent Schlosser, Assistant Legislative Finance Officer, be reappointed to his position was submitted to the Council for approval.

MOTION

Rep. Martin moved that the reappointments be approved.

Sen. Conley seconded the motion and it was carried unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION

Rep. Mitchell moved that the Council go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing personnel matters.

Sen. Gill seconded the motion and it was carried unanimously.

RECONVENE

The Council meeting reconvened at 11:20 a.m. in the Council chambers.

MOTION

Rep. Martin moved approval of the structuring of a new office for the Legislative Administrative Director to be located somewhere other than with the Legislative Finance Office, as the new director desires and in coordination with the plans for reconstruction.

Rep. Mitchell seconded the motion and it was carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION

Rep. Martin moved that the Council meeting be adjourned at 11:22 a.m.

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