

Legislative Salary Council
Friday, March 29, 2019
9:00 AM

Meeting Minutes

MEMBERS PRESENT

Deborah Olson, Chair
David Metzen, Vice Chair
Joseph Boyle
Diana Burlison
William Donohue (via telephone)
Gregory Fox (via telephone)
James Joy (via telephone)
Charles McElroy
Gloria Myre
Sherrie Pugh
Thomas Stinson (via telephone)
Randy Twistol (via telephone)
Marsha VanDenburgh (via telephone)
Kenneth Wilmes
Laura Witty (via telephone)

MEMBERS EXCUSED

Patrice Hannan

Chair Deborah Olson called the meeting of the Legislative Salary Council to order at 9:05 AM in Room G-13/14 of the Transportation Building. A quorum was present.

Approval of Minutes

William Donohue moved approval of the minutes from the March 15, 2019 meeting. Seconded.

A roll call vote was taken. The results were as follows:

Ayes: Chair Deborah Olson, Joseph Boyle, Diana Burlison, William Donohue, Gregory Fox , James Joy, Charles McElroy, David Metzen, Gloria Myre, Sherrie Pugh, Thomas Stinson, Randy Twistol, Ken Wilmes and Laura Witty.

Absent: Patrice Hannan and Marsha VanDenburgh.

There being 14 Ayes, 0 Nays, and 2 Absent, THE MOTION PREVAILED.

Review the Council's report

Joseph Boyle moved language be added to the rationale section of the report indicating the Minnesota Constitution requires the Legislative Salary Council prescribe salaries of Minnesota legislators and the Legislature, following generally accepted accounting principles, should appropriate the funds necessary to pay for these lawfully determined salaries. Seconded.

A roll call vote was taken. The results were as follows:

Ayes: Chair Deborah Olson, Joseph Boyle, Diana Burlison, William Donohue, Gregory Fox , James Joy, Charles McElroy, David Metzen, Gloria Myre, Sherrie Pugh, Thomas Stinson, Randy Twistol, Ken Wilmes and Laura Witty.

Absent: Patrice Hannan and Marsha VanDenburgh.

There being 14 Ayes, 0 Nays, and 2 Absent, THE MOTION PREVAILED.

Angela Behrens, Office of the Attorney General, was asked whether it was within the Council's authority to make a recommendation to the legislature regarding per diem. Ms. Behrens noted that the statute and constitution require the consideration of other forms of compensation and, therefore, including language regarding per diem in the report is within the purview of the Council.

David Metzen moved approval of the 2019 Legislative Salary Council report and transmittal letter. Seconded.

A roll call vote was taken. The results were as follows:

Ayes: Chair Deborah Olson, Joseph Boyle, Diana Burlison, William Donohue, Gregory Fox , James Joy, Charles McElroy, David Metzen, Gloria Myre, Sherrie Pugh, Thomas Stinson, Randy Twistol, Marsha VanDenburgh, Ken Wilmes and Laura Witty.

Absent: Patrice Hannan.

There being 15 Ayes, 0 Nays, and 1 Absent, THE MOTION PREVAILED.

Next Steps

David Metzen moved legislative leadership be notified of the Council's appreciation of the work of the legislative staff that supported the 2019 Legislative Salary Council. Seconded.

A roll call vote was taken. The results were as follows:

Ayes: Chair Deborah Olson, Joseph Boyle, Diana Burlison, William Donohue, Gregory Fox , James Joy, Charles McElroy, David Metzen, Gloria Myre, Sherrie Pugh, Thomas Stinson, Randy Twistol, Marsha VanDenburgh, Ken Wilmes and Laura Witty.

Absent: Patrice Hannan.

There being 15 Ayes, 0 Nays, and 1 Absent, THE MOTION PREVAILED.

Joseph Boyle moved the Council authorize the Chair to make technical corrections to the report and transmittal letter and to approve the final meeting minutes. Seconded

A roll call vote was taken. The results were as follows:

Ayes: Chair Deborah Olson, Joseph Boyle, Diana Burlison, William Donohue, Gregory Fox , James Joy, Charles McElroy, David Metzen, Gloria Myre, Sherrie Pugh, Thomas Stinson, Randy Twistol, Marsha VanDenburgh, Ken Wilmes and Laura Witty.

Absent: Patrice Hannan.

There being 15 Ayes, 0 Nays, and 1 Absent, THE MOTION PREVAILED.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:34 AM.