

LOS ANGELES COUNTY
ECONOMY AND EFFICIENCY COMMISSION

ROOM 163, HALL OF ADMINISTRATION / 500 WEST TEMPLE / LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90012 / 974-1491

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MINUTES
FULL COMMISSION MEETING

January 7, 1981

Members Present:

George Bodle
Muriel Bodek
John Byork
Carolyn Ellner
Tom Kranz
Richard Lillard
Larry Neri
Robert Ruchti
Gloria Starr
Wally Thor
Peter Tweedt
Curtis Ventriss
Bryan Walker

Members Excused:

Susan Berk
Anne Collins
Mario Di Giovanni
Milton Gordon
William Hoppock
Abe Lurie
Connie Worden

Guests

Mickey Rodich
(Printing Industries
of America)
Bob McCaman
(Supv. Dana's office)

George Bodle called the meeting to order at 9:45 a.m.

Attendance

On motion by John Byork, seconded by Carolyn Ellner, the commission unanimously excused the following absences: Susan Berk, Anne Collins, Mario Di Giovanni, Milton Gordon, William Hoppock, Abe Lurie and Connie Worden.

Introductions

George Bodle introduced Mickey Rodich, Governmental Affairs Representative from the Printing Industries of America and Bob McCaman, Deputy from Supervisor Dana's office.

Announcements

Dan Smith and Patty Oertel from The Center for Nonprofit Management met with the Executive Committee with a preliminary verbal report of their findings. The final report will be available in the near future.

George Bodle appointed Tom Kranz to represent the E&E Commission on the Blue Ribbon Committee on Courts.

Reports

Transportation Commission

Carolyn Ellner, Peter Tweedt and John Campbell met with Rick Richmond, Executive Director of the L.A. County Transportation Commission. Carolyn Ellner and Peter Tweedt recommended that we continue to communicate with the Transportation Commission but decline the invitation to serve on its Productivity Advisory Committee.

Incentives/Disincentives Task Force

In Susan Berk's absence, John Campbell reported on the work of this task force, the commission's work on this subject in the past, and the County's efforts.

The civil service rules hearing before the Board of Supervisors was scheduled for Tuesday, January 6 and representatives from the Incentives Task Force were prepared to make a presentation. However, the Board cancelled that hearing and rescheduled it for January 27.

The task force, Catie Burke and some of her associates from USC have been exploring with the Assessor's department, Management Council and a few other County departments for the possibility of applying organizational development techniques to increase incentives and to improve morale. The task force is in the last stages of putting together a proposal, statement of work and plan for an 18-month period of work. The proposal is to go to the Haynes Foundation. The task force will report on the status of this effort at the next meeting.

Contracting with Private Firms

Larry Neri reported that Robert White, Director of Health Services, addressed the Contract Services Advisory Committee at its last meeting on contracting in the Health Services Department. The County departments are being pressured by the Board of Supervisors to look into all possibilities for contracting.

Nomination of Commission Chairperson

Gloria Starr, Vice Chairperson, chaired the meeting during the nomination process for chairperson of the commission. The nomination ballots were distributed to each commissioner present, then collected for tallying by staff.

John Campbell will count the points of the nominees. The three persons with the most points will be contacted to ask if they are willing to serve. Biographical sketches of those accepting will be mailed before the next commission meeting when the election will take place.

Other Business

Dick Lillard called to the attention of the commission the update on the status of commission recommendations which had been mailed to the commissioners. He pointed out that a number of the commission's past efforts are now bearing fruit.

Wally Thor and Abe Lurie met with the Editorial Board of the Herald Examiner. The Editorial Board has requested additional information on our incentives and contracting work.

George Bodle appointed Mickey Bodek to the Task Force on Community Relations.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:05 a.m.