

Legislative Committee
NOVEMBER 22, 2010
JAMES P. COUGHLIN CENTER

Present: Bill Wingren, Pat Brennand, Ken Robl, James Kozokowski, Joanne Sievert, Tom Widener, Harvey Rengstorf, Tom Ellis, Jerry Finch, Jef Hall, Chuck Farrey and Tim Hamblin

Also

Present: State Representative Michelle Litjens, County Executive Mark Harris, Ann Marshall – League Of Women Voters, Margie Rankin – Park View Health Center Administrator

Excused: Stan Kline, David Albrecht

Absent: Patrick O'Brien, Kathy Lennon

The meeting was called to order at 8:31 A.M. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

There was a motion made by Jerry Finch to approve the minutes from the May 24, 2010 meeting. This was seconded by Tom Ellis. Carried by Voice Vote.

7. **Discussion and Action on a Resolution Supporting Nursing Home Funding** – Margie Rankin Ms Rankin walked the committee through the resolution she was presenting to the committee. She explained that Park View has a long history of partnering with the state to maximize federal resources. She explained what the resolution stated and how it affects Park View, Winnebago County and the State. After answering questions and concerns by the committee, Pat Brennand asked the committee if they wanted to move this resolution forward. Bill Wingren moved and it was seconded by Tom Widener to support this resolution. This resolution was passed 11-0-1. Supervisor Farrey abstained.

6. Mark Harris reported to the committee that he has been watching the early filings regarding the state budget. There is one in particular that is causing some concern – and that is to eliminate all revenue sharing to all counties. That would be about \$4 million for Winnebago County. After eliminating the revenue sharing, all county employees would be mandated to pay half of their contribution toward their retirement. That would be 6 ½% of an employees' payroll that would be deposited in their pension plan. This is normally a part of labor contracts, and has nothing to do with the state. Mr. Harris feels the state does not have the right to do this. Mr. Harris then took questions from the committee.

At this point in the meeting, Vice Chair Brennand had everyone present introduce themselves.

8. **Discussion and Action on a Resolution Requesting Financial Support of Local Public Health by The State of Wisconsin** - There was no one present from the committee to bring this to the committee, so Vice Chair Brennand had the committee read the resolution. After reading the resolution, Jef Hall moved and Pat Brennand seconded to support this. Jerry Finch moved that this resolution be brought back to the next Legislative Committee meeting. Joanne Sievert seconded this motion. Vote on motion to postpone: 9 ayes and 3 nays – Widener, Hall & Brennand. PASSED

Correspondence – There was no correspondence

Next Meeting – if needed – a meeting will be held on December 27, and if not the next meeting will be January 24, 2011.

It was moved by Jerry Finch and seconded by Chuck Farrey to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 am

Respectfully Submitted By:
Bill Wingren
Secretary

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