

Executive Committee Meeting Report (submitted 03-11-08)  
Saturday, March 8, 2008, 8:00 A.M., North Court Jury Room

Members present: John Sovanski, Jim Eccher, Jim Kursock, Jesse Crouch, Tom Nicholson, Kippy Nelson, Jan May, Ann DeSmith and Tom Steele. Members absent: None. Others present: Dick Erickson, County Administrator, Bruce Dennison, Regional Superintendent of Schools and Lisa Hamer, press.

Chairman Sovanski called the meeting to order at 8:00 A.M.

The agenda was approved as printed. Member Crouch made a motion to approve the February 9, 2008 Executive Committee meeting minutes as printed, Member Steele seconded, all were in favor and motion carried.

Bruce Dennison presented an overview of the Regional Office of Education (ROE) assuming administrative services for the Youth Services Bureau (YSB) and subsequent employment of YSB staff as County employees. The Committee engaged in a discussion and question/answer session regarding the services. The Committee took no action.

The following Standing Committees presented information and/or an overview of reports to be submitted at the March 11, 2008 County Board meeting: Communications, Public Safety, Planning & Development, Health & Social Services, Transportation and Administration. (see Committee reports) The Finance Committee will meet at 8:15 a.m. in Room 303C on Monday, 10<sup>th</sup>.

A State's Attorney opinion regarding Prohibited Political Activity 5ILCS 430/5-15 was distributed as an informational item. (on file)

The Committee discussed the current County Board Management Charts, Proposed County Board Management Chart and Advantages, Disadvantages and Hurdles. Member Eccher moved to present the proposed County Board Management Chart and related information to be held over for consideration at the April Board meeting, Member Nicholson seconded, all were in favor and motion carried. (see enclosure) A special informational/question answer seminar will be conducted for interested Board Members prior to the April County Board meeting regarding the proposed Management Chart and Advantages, Disadvantages and Hurdles. The seminar has been scheduled for Thursday, April 10<sup>th</sup> from 6 – 7:30 p.m. at the Courthouse. A seminar meeting notice, indicating agenda items and meeting room location, will be mailed to all Board Members.

Member Eccher moved to go into closed session at 9:34 a.m. to review closed session meeting minutes, Member Nicholson seconded, all were in favor and motion carried. 9 yes – T. Steele, J. Kursock, T. Nicholson, J. Eccher, J. May, J. Crouch, K. Nelson, A. DeSmith, and J. Sovanski; 0 no; and 0 absent.

Member May moved to return to open session at 9:38 a.m., Member Nelson seconded, all were in favor and motion carried.

Member Steele moved to keep closed the minutes of September 9, 2006 and to release the minutes of September 8, 2007, August 5, 2003 and April 12, 2003, Member Nicholson seconded, all were in favor and motion carried.

The next Executive Committee meeting was set for Saturday, April 5, 2008, at 8:00 A.M., in the North Court Jury Room 102J, Henry County Courthouse.

The meeting adjourned at 9:40 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dick Erickson, County Administrator