

ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE  
SELECT COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE ETHICS  
MARCH 8, 2018

Full Committee

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Members Present:

Representative Chris Tuck  
Representative Colleen Sullivan-Leonard  
Chair Skip Cook  
Conner Thomas  
Lee Holmes  
Deb Fancher  
Joyce Anderson (Teleconference)

Others Present:

Jerry Anderson, Administrator  
Janice Stewart, Administrative Assistant  
Dan Wayne, Legislative Legal

**1. Call the Meeting to Order:**

Chair Skip Cook called the meeting to order at 10:35 a.m. Administrator Jerry Anderson announced that Item 5: Chair/Staff Report would be deferred to after executive session, time permitting.

**2. Approval of Agenda:**

A motion to approve the agenda with the amendment was made by Lee Holmes. No objection. Agenda approved.

**3. Approval of Minutes:**

**a. January 12, 2018 Full Committee**

Motion by Deb Fancher to approve the minutes. No Objection. Minutes approved.

**b. January 12, 2018 Senate Committee**

Motion by Lee Holmes to approve the minutes. No Objection. Minutes approved.

**c. January 12, 2018 House Committee**

Motion by Lee Holmes to approve the minutes. No Objection. Minutes approved.

4. Public Comment: None

5. Chair/Staff Report (deferred)

6. Motion to go into EXECUTIVE SESSION to discuss matters which by law must remain confidential under AS 24.60.160, Uniform Rule 22(b) regarding executive sessions, and Rules of Procedure Section 5: Executive Sessions and discussion of matters that the immediate knowledge of would adversely affect the finances of a governmental unit, and discussion of subjects that tend to prejudice the reputation and character of a person.

A motion to enter executive session was made by Deb Fancher. No objection.

7. Executive Session

8. Public Session

The committee returned to public session at 11:34 a.m.

*(Senator Coghill, Senator Egan, and Senator Gardner - Alternate, joined the meeting.)*

A motion was made by Lee Holmes to approve Advisory Opinion AO 18-01 with amendments made in Executive Session.

Chair Skip Cook stated that formal Advisory Opinion AO 18-01 advises whether a legislator may purchase Facebook ads to communicate with Facebook users believed to reside in the election district for that legislator, by using GPS points of reference or restricting to certain zip codes to target these ads.

A Roll call vote to concur or not concur with the final advisory opinion AO 18-01 will be taken. A vote of YES will be a vote to concur with the final advisory opinion. A vote of NO will be to not concur with the final advisory opinion.

Roll Call Vote: (Only members present during discussion of AO 18-01)

Rep. Sullivan-Leonard	Y
Rep. Tuck	Y

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Skip Cook	Y
Conner Thomas	Y
Joyce Anderson	Y
Deb Fancher	Y
Lee Holmes	Y

The draft will be finalized by Dan Wayne at Legislative Legal and provided to the committee for publication.

**5. Chair/Staff Report**

Jerry Anderson noted that all current legislators and legislative employees had completed the HRC training with the exception of new legislators and those employees hired after February 1, 2018.

**a. Outside Counsel Contract:** Deferred to later date.

**b. Independent Investigator Contract**

Jerry Anderson requested that the current contract with the investigator be amended to reflect the amount of \$10,000 from the original \$5,000.

Lee Holmes moved to approve the amendment. A roll call vote was required to approved.

Roll Call:

Senator Coghill	Y
Senator Egan	Y
Rep. Sullivan-Leonard	Y
Rep. Tuck	Y
Skip Cook	Y
Conner Thomas	Y
Joyce Anderson	Y
Deb Fancher	Y
Lee Holmes	Y

The amendment to the contract was approved at \$10,000 by a vote of 9 - 0.

**c. Personnel:**

Jerry Anderson stated that recruitment for the administrative assistant position is in process. He asked that the committee consider a contract for current administrative assistant, Janice Stewart, to

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precipitate an orderly transition. Hourly amount would be \$30 with a maximum of contract amount of \$2,000. The contract would come in effect once a new hire is in place, most likely April of this year.

Conner Thomas moved to approve the contract. A roll-call vote was required.

Roll Call:

Senator Coghill	Y
Senator Egan	Y
Rep. Sullivan-Leonard	Y
Rep. Tuck	Y
Skip Cook	Y
Conner Thomas	Y
Joyce Anderson	Y
Deb Fancher	Y
Lee Holmes	Y

Contract to be drafted based on this approval vote of 9 - 0.

**9. Other Business:**

Due to time constraints it was decided that Jerry Anderson would poll the committee and make a decision regarding a date for the next meeting.

**10. Adjourn**

A motion to adjourn was made by Conner Thomas. No objection. Meeting adjourned at 11:46 a.m.

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