

MEETING

MINUTES

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OMBUDSMAN SELECTION COMMITTEE
November 11, 1987

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Senator Abood
Senator Jones
Senator Josephson
Representative Pourchot
Representative Phillips

MEMBERS PRESENT BY TELECONFERENCE:

Representative Sund

MEMBERS ABSENT:

None

SUBJECT:

Selection of the State Ombudsman

Senator Abood called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and noted that Co-Chair Senator Abood, Senator Josephson, Senator Jones, Co-Chair Representative Pourchot, and Representative Phillips were present. Representative Sund would be participating by teleconference during the Executive Session from Ketchikan.

Senator Abood reviewed the agenda for the meeting, explaining that the Ombudsman Selection Committee would be adjourning to Executive Session at 9:15 a.m. for the purpose of conducting interviews. The Open Meeting Statutes and Uniform Rules were read, as well as an opinion from the Attorney General stating that the nature of the Committee meeting would be such that information is confidential and could be damaging to a person's character, therefore an Executive Session should be called.

For the record, Senator Abood explained the process which the Committee followed for selecting and narrowing down applicants for the State Ombudsman position. Ads were placed in statewide newspapers to give notice of the position. Applications totalling 125 were received and reviewed by Co-Chair Pourchot and Co-Chair Abood. In order to expedite the selection process, Representative Pourchot and Senator Abood made eliminations, narrowing the

applicants down to 22, based on each applicant's qualifications and discussed these eliminations with the members of the committee by mail and phone.

Senator Abood explained that by statute three qualifications must be met: 1.) Applicant must be 21 years of age, 2.) applicant must be a voter in Alaska, and 3.) applicant must have lived in Alaska three years.

The meeting was adjourned to Executive Session at 9:15 a.m.

The meeting was reconvened at 1:30 p.m.

Senator Josephson moved that the name of Duncan Fowler be placed in nomination.

Representative Phillips moved that nominations be closed.

There were no objections.

Senator Abood took a roll call vote for the nomination of Duncan Fowler with Senator Josephson voting yes, Senator Jones voting yes, Senator Abood voting yes, Representative Pourchot voting yes, Representative Phillips voting yes, and Representative Sund voting yes.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:40 p.m.

OMBUDSMAN SELECTION COMMITTEE MEETING

AGENDA

November 11, 1987

- 9:00 AM - Ombudsman Selection Committee Meeting will convene in the 5th floor conference room. 3111 C Street.
- 9:15 AM - Selection Committee will adjourn to Executive Session for the purpose of conducting interviews.
- 12:00 PM - Selection Committee will reconvene to discuss appointment of the Ombudsman and announce their selection.

Adjournment will follow announcement of the Committee's selection.

OMBUDSMAN SELECTION COMMITTEE
Interview Schedule

9:00 a.m. - Selection Committee meets

Interviews

9:30 a.m. - Wayne Mabry

10:00 a.m. - Bruce Aronson

10:30 a.m. - Stuart Hall

11:00 a.m. - Duncan Fowler

11:30 a.m. - Glen Glenzer

12:00 noon - Selection Committee meets

QUESTIONS FOR OMBUDSMAN INTERVIEW

1. In your own view, what qualities do you possess that qualify you as the best candidate for the State Ombudsman?
2. In your opinion, do you feel that the Ombudsman's office should be maintained as an unbiased, non-partisan office? Please explain your answer.

OMBUDSMAN SELECTION COMMITTEE CHOICES

ABOOD	Wayne Mabry Glen Glenzer Roger Graves Bruce Aronson Duncan Fowler	JONES	Wayne Maybry David Stringer Glen Glenzer Joe Swanson Roger Graves
POURCHOT	Duncan Fowler Bob Arnold Bruce Aronson Laurel Murphy Stuart Hall	PHILLIPS	Stuart Hall Pat Conheady Wayne Mabry Glen Glenzer Duncan Fowler
SUND	Pat Conheady Stuart Hall Michael Mills Duncan Fowler Bruce Aronson	JOSEPHSON	Bruce Aronson Bob Arnold Duncan Fowler Patrick Conheady Stuart Hall

CANDIDATES TO BE INTERVIEWED BY SELECTION COMMITTEE

FOWLER, DUNCAN	-	Abood/Pourchot/Josephson/Phillips/Sund	(5)
ARONSON, BRUCE	-	Abood/Pourchot/Josephson/Sund	(4)
HALL, STUART	-	Pourchot/Josephson/Phillips/Sund	(4)
CONHEADY, PAT	-	Josephson/Phillips/Sund	(3)
GLENZER, GLEN	-	Abood/Phillips/Jones	(3)
MABRY, WAYNE	-	Abood/Phillips/Jones	(3)

RUNNERS-UP

ARNOLD, BOB	-	Pourchot/Josephson	(2)
GRAVES, ROGER	-	Abood/Jones	(2)
MILLS, MICHAEL	-	Sund	(1)
MURPHY, LAUREL	-	Pourchot	(1)
STRINGER, DAVID	-	Jones	(1)
SWANSON, JOE	-	Jones	(1)

OMBUDSMAN FACT SHEET

<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>FY 86 Actual</u>	<u>FY 87 Revised</u>	<u>FY 88 CC</u>
	\$1.597 million*	\$ 725.6 30.0**	\$ 541.0 20.0**
Totals	<u>\$1.597 million</u>	<u>\$ 755.6</u>	<u>\$ 561.0</u>

* \$1.612 FY 86 Authorized

** City and Borough of Juneau Contracts

<u>POSITIONS</u>	<u>FY 86</u>	<u>FY 87</u>	<u>FY 88</u>
Juneau			
Ombudsman	1	-	-
Acting Ombudsman		-	1
Special Assist.	1	-	-
Admin. Officer/ Investigator	1	1	-
Regional Supervisor	1	-	-
Investigators	4	2	2
Support Staff	2	1	1
<u>Juneau Total</u>	(10)	(4)	(4)
Anchorage			
Acting Ombudsman	-	1	-
Deputy Ombudsman	-	1	1
Regional Supervisor	1	-	-
Investigators	6	3	3
Support Staff	1.5	1.5	1
<u>Anchorage Total</u>	(8.5)	(6.5)	(5)
Fairbanks			
Regional Supervisor	1	-	-
Investigators	4	2	-
Support Staff	1	-	-
<u>Fairbanks Total</u>	(6)	(2)	(0)
<u>Statewide Total</u>	<u>24.5</u>	<u>12.5</u>	<u>9</u>

COMPLAINTS

Jurisdictional/ Nonjurisdictional	4320	3937	3602 (est.)
Productivity/ Investigator	309	532	720 (est.)

SALARY

\$5209/mo. plus benefits (Equal to Step A, Range 26)

MOVING EXPENSES

Same regulations apply as for Legislators moving expenses.
[expenses not to exceed cost of moving up to 10,000 lbs by commercial carrier; per diem (standard per diem for employee, 1/2 for spouse and \$18/child) not to exceed 15 days; in-transit storage up to 30 days and in-transit insurance up to \$1.25/lb.]
Money comes from Ombudsman's budget.