



OHIO CONSTITUTIONAL MODERNIZATION COMMISSION

REVISED MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC EDUCATION AND INFORMATION COMMITTEE

FOR THE MEETING HELD
THURSDAY, MAY 9, 2013

Call to Order:

Chair Roger Beckett called the meeting of the Public Education and Information Committee to order at 10:18 a.m.

Members Present:

A quorum was present with Chair Beckett, Vice-chair Macon, and committee members Murray, Readler, and Saphire in attendance.

Approval of Minutes:

This being the first meeting of the committee, there were no minutes to approve.

Discussion:

Chair Beckett asked the members of the committee to introduce themselves and outlined the scope of work for the committee. The committee further discussed its role and the work that needs to be done. Vice-chair Larry Macon called on Steven H. Steinglass, senior policy advisor, to share his views on the work of the committee.

A suggestion was made to hire an outside consultant to update and redo the Commission website. Committee members thought it might be more helpful to the public to have certain documents easily accessible, including a copy of the Ohio Constitution. It was noted by staff that the current Commission website is hosted by Legislative Information Services (LIS), at no cost to the Commission. LIS has offered to continue to design and host the website at no cost to the Commission.

Chair Beckett noted that any expense for website design or permanent office staff would need to be discussed with the Organization and Administration Committee as that committee is tasked with budgeting for the Commission.

Chair Beckett discussed creating teacher resources for primary school teachers to use and suggested talking to the Ohio Historical Society and the Center for Law Related Education for additional resources for educators.

Adjournment:

With no further business to come before the committee, the meeting adjourned at 11:52 a.m.

Approval:

The minutes of the May 9, 2013 meeting of the Public Education and Information Committee were approved at the June 13, 2013 meeting of the committee.

/s/ Roger L. Beckett

Roger L. Beckett, Chair

Larry L. Macon, Vice-chair