
Idaho State Capitol Commission

Official Minutes

May 8, 2017

A teleconference meeting of the Idaho State Capitol Commission was held on this date in Room #155, Len B. Jordan Building, Boise, Idaho. Chairman Erstad called the meeting to order at 1:05 p.m.

Attendees

Members Present:

Andy Erstad, Chairman

Robert Geddes, Director, Department of Administration, Secretary, and Ex-Officio Member

Mary Symms-Pollot

Eric Milstead, Director, Legislative Services Office (LSO) and Ex-Officio Member

Representative Neil Anderson (via telephone)

Nancy Sue Wallace (via telephone)

Brad Little, Lieutenant Governor (via telephone)

Janet Gallimore, Executive Director, State Historical Society (ISHS) and Ex-Officio Member (via telephone until 1:30 pm)

Absent and Excused:

Joe Stegner

Others/Staff Present:

Jan Frew, Administrator, Division of Public Works (DPW)

Michelle O'Brien, Special Projects Coordinator, LSO

Kelly Berard, Construction Manager, DPW

Tami Humiston, Principal Financial Specialist, Department of Administration

Barry Miller, Deputy Administrator, DPW (via telephone)

Diane Blume, Program Specialist, Department of Administration

Approval of Minutes

MOTION: Commissioner Wallace moved and Commissioner Symms-Pollot seconded that the minutes of the February 9, 2017 Idaho State Capitol Commission meeting be approved as written. The motion passed unanimously.

Design and Construction Committee

Update on Glazing Issue—Hiring of Outside Expert

This topic is brought before the commission for informational purposes, Ms. Frew explained. Legal aspects involved with the glass replacement are currently being handled by Steve Olsen, Civil Litigation Division Chief, Office of the Attorney General.

Mr. Olsen has identified and recommended an outside glass expert be hired to assist the state in its claim that the wire glass installed in the capitol is defective. He estimates the cost for the services of Mr. A. William Lingnell would be under \$10,000. Jacobson Hunt, the restoration contractor, has also hired a glass expert, Ms. Frew said, and once both experts have a chance to analyze the delamination issue their reports will be compared. She has requested and received approval from Chairman Erstad that DPW be authorized to expend up to \$10,000, and she is hopeful that the two experts will be onsite within the next couple of months.

In the meantime, glazing in critical areas such as over corner stairwells in the rotunda area will be replaced this summer, she continued. Staff is currently researching options and costs for replacement glass with D&A Glass to be brought back to the Design and Construction Committee for approval. Commissioner Little inquired about the option of using plain glass rather than wire glass to save on costs. Ms. Frew confirmed that the wire glass is the most expensive option but there are other options being researched, such as etched glass or silkscreened glass, that resemble wire glass. The look of wire glass is important to the historical aesthetics of the capitol, she said.

Jacobson Hunt has estimated the entire cost to replace all defective glass with similar existing wire glass is \$900,000, and at this point it claims no responsibility for the expense. It is hopeful, she added, that the experts' analysis will prove the glass is defective and Jacobson Hunt will assume some of the responsibility. Commissioner Geddes clarified that the cost of the actual glass itself is a small portion of the \$900,000. Most the cost is for installation, including scaffolding.

Replacement of Dome Roofs

At the time of the restoration project, Ms. Frew explained, items in the building that were thought to have remaining useful life were not replaced. This was the case with the copper domes and the Joint Finance and Appropriations Committee (JFAC) Room skylight

surround. However, because of the extreme weather this past winter, leaks resulted on the House side and upon further investigation, the Senate side and JFAC skylight surround also showed signs of disrepair.

She presented DPW’s base proposal per dome (below), recommending replacement of the copper panels with 16-ounce copper. A heavier weight would provide longer life but decrease the ability to make tight, weatherproof seams. The brown patina is a mid-point between the original bright copper color and final green patina, but the green patina option would provide a color closer to what currently exists. Pricing includes a self-adhering ice and water shield underlayment, but does not include associated design fees.

<u>Option</u>		<u>Estimate</u>
Base Proposal	16 oz. copper horizontal roof panel system with battens, patina to brown phase	\$60,000
Option #1	Change to green patina in 16 oz. copper; add to base bid	\$8,000
Option #2	Change to 20 oz. copper in brown patina; add to base bid	\$12,000
Option #3	Change to 20 oz. copper in green patina; add to base bid	\$17,500
Flag Pole Base	Copper to match roofing sheet selection	\$10,000
JFAC Roof	16 oz. copper with patina to match dome selection	\$40,000

MOTION: Commissioner Symms-Pollot moved and it was seconded by Commissioner Anderson that the commission approve reroofing both chamber domes and the JFAC roof using 16-ounce copper with green patina, and repair both flag pole bases at a total cost of \$196,000 from the Capitol Maintenance Reserve Fund. The motion passed unanimously.

Other Business

Repair of Conference Table, Room WW17

For the interest of the commission, Chairman Erstad explained it was brought to the attention of the Design and Construction Committee that the table in room WW17 has developed significant cracks, due largely to its size and mass. The committee approved expending up to \$10,000 for redesign/repair and asked that the state seal in the middle of the table be preserved and reused on a less massive table. While this is being done, additional microphones and technology will be installed in the table, as well. Commissioner Milstead added that LSO will meet with Correctional Industries to review the design and functionality of a new table.

Commissioner Little suggested the commission institute a policy outlining the extent and cost of repairs in the building that are the responsibility of the Capitol Commission versus those of the building’s tenants. Ms. Frew noted that everything in the building was initially completed as part of the restoration project. Since, as items in the building are revised agencies are typically asked to provide funding for enhancements such as additional

technology, for example. In this case, WW17 is the building's "flex room" which is utilized by several different agencies within the capitol, including the Capitol Commission.

Commissioner Little reiterated and recommended a policy be drafted to address what types of repairs/enhancements are the responsibility of the commission, and what are the responsibility of the tenants.

Next Meeting of the Commission

The commission will meet again on August 16th at 1:30 p.m.

Adjournment

MOTION: Commissioner Wallace moved and Commissioner Symms-Pollot seconded that the meeting of the Idaho State Capitol Commission be adjourned at 1:45 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.

Diane K. Blume, Program Specialist
Department of Administration