

Legislative Policy Council

Minutes of the Meeting

February 6, 2015

Present: Tony Cox, Travis Worthy, Krystal Dotson, Carla Schuessler, Nora Battle, Verlon Wulf, Jeff Smith, Jimmy Richardson, Terrance Herriott, Mary Henry, Bob Barenberg, Raymond Rollins, Stephen Greene, Tom Keegan, Nate Johnson, Jim Harrison, Mike Hagg

Guests: Katon Dawson, Mark Kelley (KMSO)

Staff: Brad Dean, Kathy Richardson, Seth Holek

I. WELCOME

- Tony Cox called the meeting to order and welcomed all members of the Legislative Policy Council. He asked everyone to introduce themselves. The November 21, 2014 meeting minutes were approved. Tony reviewed the LPC mission statement and reviewed the 2015 meeting dates.

II. PRESENTATIONS

- Mark Kelley gave a state house update reporting the new school start date bill passed the House Education Subcommittee and will now be taken up by the full committee. This amended bill would change the statutory school term from # of days to # of hours. He also reported that the TDF funding request is in place and we hope to hear good news on that in the coming months. Lastly, Mark reported the House is working to pass a highway funding bill.
- Katon Dawson presented results from three recent polling studies of public opinion on several topics, including air service, school start date and Memorial Weekend.

III. REPORTS

- Tom Keegan reported that The Keystone Pipeline Bill passed in the House. He also stated that funding for the Georgetown Port is on its way and Congressman Rice is currently working on the Budget.
- Jimmy Richardson stated he is working with Horry County Council to acquire funding for additional prosecutors.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

- None given

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting.

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