

SENATE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH POLICY

May 16, 2005
1:00 P.M.

Oregon State Hospital, Salem, Oregon
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MEMBERS PRESENT: Sen. Laurie Monnes Anderson, Chair
Sen. Jeff Kruse, Vice-Chair
Sen. Peter Courtney
Sen. Gary George
Sen. Bill Morrisette

GUEST MEMBERS: Sen. Margaret Carter
Sen. Avel Gordley
Sen. Ben Westlund

STAFF PRESENT: Rick Berkobien, Committee Administrator
Brittany Kenison, Committee Assistant

MEMBERS PRESENT: Rep. Billy Dalto, Chair
Rep. Bob Jenson, Vice-Chair
Rep. Gordon Anderson
Rep. Deborah Boone
Rep. Tom Butler
Rep. Mitch Greenlick

MEMBER EXCUSED: Rep. Carolyn Tomei, Vice-Chair

GUEST MEMBERS: Rep. Bruce Hanna
Rep. Gary Hansen
Rep. Gene Whisnant

MEASURES/ISSUES HEARD:
Phase I of the Oregon State Hospital Master Plan: General Framework
Report – Informational Meeting

These minutes are in compliance with Senate and House Rules. Only text enclosed in quotation marks reports a speaker's exact words. For complete contents, please refer to the tapes.

<u>TAPE/#</u>	<u>Speaker</u>	<u>Comments</u>
TAPE 69, A		
003	Chair Monnes Anderson	Calls the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. Opens an informational meeting on Phase I of the Oregon State Hospital Master Plan: General Framework Report.
<u>PHASE I OF THE OREGON STATE HOSPITAL MASTER PLAN: GENERAL FRAMEWORK REPORT – INFORMATIONAL MEETING</u>		
010	Chair Monnes Anderson	Discusses the Oregon State Hospital.
045	Barry Kast	Assistant Director, Oregon Department of Human Services (DHS). Provides background on the Oregon State Hospital.
078	Sen. Morrisette	Asks Kast if patients of the hospital were interviewed for the report.
083	Kast	Responds, yes.

086	Sen. Morrisette	States that the patients should be listed under the “Stakeholders” section of the report.
088	Chair Monnes	Interjects that the patients are listed as “consumers” in the report.
	Anderson	
090	Rick Berkobien	Committee Administrator. Comments that microphones need to be shared among the members.
095	Chair Dalto	Introduces himself.
100	Bob Nikkel	Administrator, State Office of Mental Health and Addiction Services, Oregon DHS. Discusses their working relationship with KMD Architects.
125	Vernon Almon	Director, KMD Architects. Submits a report entitled, “Framework Master Plan: Phase I Report” (EXHIBIT A). Introduces himself. Makes opening remarks.
153	Almon	Discusses Phase I of the Master Plan for the Oregon State Hospital. Presents an overview of the report.
182	Jim Diaz	Principal, Healthcare Group, KMD Architects. Comments on how the mental health system is more important than the buildings.
195	Almon	Discusses the process conducted for the Master Plan Report.
250	Chair Dalto	Asks if any surprises were found in any of the buildings.
251	Almon	Defers answer to later in the presentation. Reviews a map of the Oregon State Hospital grounds.
275	Almon	Explains how codes and regulations were part of the report process.
305	Almon	Presents the physical assessment overview.
385	Chair Dalto	Asks Almon to identify each building with its corresponding number and damage potential.
390	Almon	Responds.
405	Sen. George	Discusses the condition of a building that he studied in Newberg, Oregon. Asks if the conditions of the buildings at the State Hospital are similar.
411	Almon	Responds, yes.
415	Chair Dalto	Asks if Building 42 and Building 43 are currently unoccupied.
420	Almon	Answers, yes.
433	Sen. Courtney	Asks Almon a question regarding seismic figures.
445	Almon	Responds.
450	Sen. Courtney	Discusses reports documenting projected seismic figures. Asks why they chose the seismic figures listed in the report.
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005	Diaz	Answers question.
015	Almon	Discusses psychiatric patient care unit rules.
055	Almon	Discusses the planning and design deficiencies of Building 50.
080	Chair. Dalto	Asks Almon if the \$25 million for remodeling is only for Building 50.
082	Almon	Responds, yes. Continues discussing Building 50.
100	Almon	Discusses the system of care.
145	Almon	Discusses specific populations at the Oregon State Hospital.
165	Chair Monnes	Asks if every state hospital has psychiatric beds.
	Anderson	
168	Tom Gross	Medical Planner, KMD Architects. Responds, no. Elaborates.
173	Almon	Discusses the conclusions from the report. Provides recommendations.
205	Sen. Courtney	Asks if the timeline to create the report was too short.
215	Diaz	Answers, no. Elaborates.

228	Sen. Courtney	Discusses the issues identified in the report. Asks if some of the buildings should be closed immediately.
255	Almon	Responds.
280	Chair Dalto	Discusses a contingency plan from DHS to move patients.
285	Almon	Comments regarding the contingency plan.
292	Sen. George	Refers to EXHIBIT A, page seven (7). Asks about the buildings not meeting the Americans with Disabilities Act standards.
297	Diaz	Responds.
305	Chair Monnes Anderson	Asks if asbestos and lead are in all of the buildings.
307	Almon	Answers question.
322	Sen. Kruse	Discusses his interest and background in the mental health system. Discusses the importance of community settings.
342	Sen. Gordley	Asks for verification that they do not recommend patients move because there is no place to move them.
320	Almon	Responds.
363	Sen. Gordley	Asks about the contingency plan for patients in the hospital.
370	Almon	Responds.
380	Bob Nikkel	Discusses moving patients to other facilities.
420	Sen. Gordley	Verifies with Nikkel that there is not a contingency plan, but there have been discussions regarding one.
425	Nikkel	Answers, yes.
428	Rep. Hanna	Asks what the timeline would be for a new hospital if every recommendation was approved.
440	Almon	Answers, three to five years.
443	Rep. Hanna	Asks what the cost would be to implement the recommendations.
TAPE 69, B		
010	Diaz	Responds.
030	Sen. Carter	Asks how long it would take to start implementing their recommendations.
050	Nikkel	Responds.
070	Sen. Carter	Comments on moving forward to get the project completed.
080	Sen. Morrisette	Asks if they have examined or considered mental health system models from other states.
092	Diaz	Responds.
120	Nikkel	Responds to Sen. Morrisette's question.
132	Sen. Courtney	Refers to statements on pages four, eight and nine of EXHIBIT A. Asks if laws need to be considered when implementing recommendations.
162	Almon	Responds.
186	Sen. Gordley	Asks Nikkel a question regarding the funding for the State Hospital in comparison to California.
198	Nikkel	Responds. Offers to return information to the committee.
248	Sen. Gordley	Asks if either the Senate Health Policy committee or the House Health and Human Services committee has considered a law similar to California's.
253	Chair Monnes Anderson	Responds, no.
257	Chair Dalto	Responds, no.
258	Sen. Gordley	Recommends that a work group be formed to evaluate California's new law.
263	Sen. Courtney	Ask why the campus in eastern Oregon was not considered in the report.
270	Diaz	Responds.

278	Sen. Courtney	Asks if the Department of Corrections will be involved during phase II.
283	Almon	Answers, yes. Elaborates.
290	Nikkel	Comments regarding previous discussions with the Department of Corrections.
295	Sen. Kruse	Comments on the need of transitional programs.
320	Chair Dalto	Asks if the report is available on the internet.
327	Nikkel	Responds, yes. Provides address.
330	Chair Monnes Anderson	Closes the informational meeting on Phase I of the Oregon State Hospital Master Plan: General Framework Report. Adjourns the meeting at 2:23 p.m.

EXHIBIT SUMMARY

A. Oregon State Hospital Master Plan, Phase 1 of the, report, Vernon Almon, 76 pp