

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

February 14, 1997 Hearing Room E

8:15 AM Tapes 25 - 26

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Rep. Dennis Luke, Chair

Rep. Terry Thompson, Vice-Chair

Rep. Roger Beyer

Rep. Ron Sunseri

Rep. Charles Starr

Rep. Bob Jenson

Rep. Ryan Deckert

MEMBER EXCUSED:

STAFF PRESENT:

Bryan Boehringer, Administrator

Jennifer Peck, Administrative Support

MEASURE/ISSUES HEARD:

INFORMATIONAL MEETING

Oregon Health Sciences University- Status of Public Corporation

Oregon State University overview

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.

Tape/#	Speaker	Comments
TAPE 25, A		
002	Chair Luke	Opens meeting at 8:19 a.m. Opens informational hearing.
<u>Oregon Health Sciences University- Status of</u>		

<u>Public Corporation</u>		
009	Dr. Peter O. Kohler	President, Oregon Health Sciences University (OHSU).
019	Kohler	Explains the funding. Discusses OHSU as a public institution. Presents (EXHIBIT A) .
046	Kohler	Discusses the mission and efficiencies. Gives examples of the successes of OHSU. Describes the funding of Doernbecher where partial money was raised through public gifts.
087	Kohler	Explains that overhead has been cut, and lists some ways this has happened. Explains the money is critical for teaching and patient care. Gives list of areas which are strong: research, the medical school, Doernbecher, the nursing school, and the dental school.
143	Kohler	Discusses customer service and the many intangible benefits which have altered people's attitudes in a positive way towards OHSU.
173	Kohler	Describes OHSU as doing "more for less," and refers to the exhibit charts.
199	Chair Luke	Asks about the funding differences from being a private corporation.
200	Kohler	Describes the outstanding faculty members OHSU has been recruiting. Gives an example of a fund raiser.
226	Chair Luke	Asks about raising money for students doing internships.
229	Kohler	Explains the rural student project is a popular teaching program. Discusses federal funding.
274	Chair Luke	Asks for an explanation of the Casey Eye Clinic.
280	Kohler	Describes the clinic, its history, and its specialized instruments which are open for use statewide.
300	Chair Luke	Asks about the Bob Hope group. Discusses the clinic and his experience with it.
326	Kohler	Explains that OHSU gets a lot of the specialized cases around the state.
335	Rep. Jenson	Asks what we are or can be doing about interns and residencies.
347	Kohler	Explains the family medicine training programs in rural sites for the training program.
387	Rep. Jenson	Asks if we can extend the Ednet link for larger communication.
390	Kohler	Discusses the choices between communication systems, and states that OHSU plans to use the best systems.

TAPE 26, B		
001	Rep. Jenson	Asks about the consideration of costs down the line, in the current building of new structures.
003	Kohler	Describes fiber optic example of making less costly changes in the beginning, to avoid more costs down the line.
Oregon State University Overview		
014	Dr. Paul Risser	President, Oregon State University (OSU). Presents (EXHIBIT B) .
044	Justin Krieg	President, Agriculture Executive Council. Introduces students from the College of Agriculture Science and the assistant Dean of the College of Agriculture.
073	Chair Luke	Explains some members will need to go to another meeting.
076	Risser	Describes OSU and the other institutions in Oregon as very fine institutions. Gives an example of outstanding faculty. Lists ways in which OSU reaches beyond the classrooms, and makes an impact on the state.
146	Risser	Explains the importance of the engineering program. Lists computer science and electrical engineering as other strong areas for OSU.
185	Risser	Details the quality of the program, as compared to more expensive programs. Describes the excellent research record, its positive impacts on the economy, and describes the good returns on the dollars invested.
250	Risser	Summarizes the values of research. Describes computing and internet advancement of OSU.
300	Risser	Continues with examples of the advanced technology which is currently used at OSU.
365	Chair Luke	Asks for an explanation of where money is distributed.
367	Risser	Responds about grant money.
TAPE 25, B		
001	Chair Luke	Asks about upgrades and purchasing equipment.
003	Risser	Gives examples of updated education. Summarizes.
031	Rep. Jenson	Comments on water and irrigation in Oregon. Asks what role OSU played in the irrigation projects in Oregon.
046	Risser	Answers with examples of how technology helps.
057	Chair Luke	Explains the minimized use of water for golf courses due to advanced technology.
065	Rep.	Commends Oregon's schools for thrift in student spending,

	Jenson	while getting good results. Asks how long this will continue.
080	Risser	Explains 69% of research in the Pacific Northwest is funded by the federal government. Government budget cuts will result in a lower percentage of federal contributions. Explains a little state funding can have a large impact.
107	Rep. Deckert	Asks where funding cuts have and will be made at OSU.
110	Risser	Responds with examples of eliminations, redistribution, and combinations due to funding cuts.
141	Chair Luke	Refers to OSU's self-evaluation.
146	Risser	Concludes that he will be happy at any time to help answer members questions.
170	Chair Luke	Closes informational meeting. Adjourns the meeting at 9:25 a.m.

Submitted By, Reviewed By,

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EXHIBIT SUMMARY

A - written testimony, Peter O. Kohler, 9 pp

B - written testimony, Paul G. Risser, 10 pp