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Introductory Meeting: Introductions and Adoption of Committee Rules

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & NATURAL RESOURCES

January 15, 1991           Hearing Room F 10:00 A.M.           State Capitol Tapes 01 - 02

MEMBERS PRESENT: REP. WALT SCHROEDER, Chair REP. LIZ VANLEEUEWEN, Vice-Chair REP. SAM DOMINY REP. BILL DWYER REP. TIM JOSI REP. JOHN MEEK REP.

STAFF PRESENT:           BETH PATRINO, Administrator EDWARD C. KLEIN, Assistant

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TAPE 01, SIDE A

001 CHAIR SCHROEDER: Calls the meeting to order at 10:01 A.M.

-We will start on time.

-He introduces the Committee Staff.

ROLL: PRESENT: REP. JOSI, REP. MEEK, REP. NORRIS, REP. VANLEEUEWEN, REP. SCHROEDER.

ABSENT: REP. DOMINY and REP. DWYER.

COMMITTEE RULES -- EXHIBIT A

013 CHAIR SCHROEDER: Presents Proposed Committee Rules (EXHIBIT A).

-Are there any objections or corrections?

016 MOTION: REP. NORRIS: Moves to adopt the rules as presented.

VOTE: 5 to 0. The rules are adopted.

VOTING AYE: REP. JOSI, REP. MEEK, REP. NORRIS, REP. VANLEEUEWEN, REP. SCHROEDER

ABSENT: REP. DOMINY and REP. DWYER

REP. DOMINY and REP. DWYER enter at 10:10 A.M.

CHAIR SCHROEDER: Do either of you have any objections?

046 REP. DOMINY: When we talk about amendments being in writing in advance? How strict will this committee be? Committees have had varying

CHAIR SCHROEDER: We'll take each as they come. We'll try and accommodate as much as possible.

057 REP. VANLEEUEWEN: This isn't addressed in the rules.

-She refers to #12, "Proposed amendments, by other than members ...."

CHAIR SCHROEDER: There shouldn't be problems then.

REP. DOMINY: This was discussed by some of the committees last session.

REP. DWYER: Without that ability the product isn't very good.

CHAIR SCHROEDER: REP. VANLEEUEWEN pointed out that it was other than committee members.

-He refers to "Organization, format and expectations" (EXHIBIT B).

-There is a change; you probably won't receive copies of the bills until you come to the hearing.

-Take the bills and materials with you to your office.

-If you need a set of minutes contact the Committee Administrator.

-He refers to Committee Functions, page 2.

090 REP. NORRIS: Every clock in the building has a separate time. Is there any way to synchronize them?

CHAIR SCHROEDER: Talk to MIKE GREENFIELD.

-We will start at 8:15 A.M. until further notice.

-We will start on time and it will be noted when you arrive and when you leave.

REP. DWYER: I want copy of the minutes for every meeting. It now seems to be our responsibility to keep a record of the meeting.

-I'd like the Committee to put everything into a book. I want the date of the meeting, the agenda and the minutes.

122 CHAIR SCHROEDER: Did you get minutes from meetings? That wasn't normal procedure.

REP. DWYER: We had the minutes for Water Policy all the time.

CHAIR SCHROEDER: From Ag and Natural Resources?

REP. DWYER: In my book. I'll be glad to show you.

CHAIR SCHROEDER: Why don't you show that to us next time.

REP. DWYER: I'll be glad to provide the book. I know what happened during the meetings.

CHAIR SCHROEDER: Share that with the Administrator and we'll talk about it next meeting.

-He continues with Committee Function, #2, professionalism.

-Please don't leave without checking with the Committee Administrator.

-He refers to #3.

-He refers to #4.

-He refers to #5.

170 REP. DWYER: There are times where people come from a long way. I would appreciate it if the Chair would take public testimony before b

CHAIR SCHROEDER: We will take that into consideration.

-He refers to #6.

-He refers to #7.

-We will rotate the roll call for votes.

-There will be a five minute recess on the hour, unless we are hearing testimony.

-We will acknowledge any groups that come into the hearing room.

-Any suggestions or concerns?

-We will visit the Department of Agriculture this year. Let's find a convenient time for all of us.

-They'll spend about an hour talking about their procedure, mission, key people and facilities.

-Bring in a list of available times on Thursday, January 17. The Administrator can find a common time. It's fine if someone doesn't want t

252 REP. VANLEEUWEN: We'll do this on a time other than committee time?

CHAIR SCHROEDER: Yes.

REP. DOMINY: I'd like to suggest we contact the Committee Administrator between now and Thursday to work out a time.

CHAIR SCHROEDER: Do whatever works best.

REP. DWYER: I don't want to go.

CHAIR SCHROEDER: That's fine.

-We have an invitation to go to the Department of Fish and Wildlife in Portland. See me if your interested.

-Let's have the Committee Members tell us about your background and your agenda for this session.

278 REP. NORRIS: Can the people in the audience tell us who they are?

CHAIR SCHROEDER: That's a good suggestion. Tell us who you are and where you're from.

284 ART LAUBACH: State Grange and Soil and Water Conservation District.

288 MARY GRILLEY: Legislative Assistant for REP. DWYER.

290 WADE SEMELISS: Intern for REP. VANLEEUWEN.

292 CYNTHIA CARRELL: Legislative Assistant for REP. DWYER.

294 ERIC WEAVER: Intern with REP. DWYER.

REP. DWYER: He's an Agriculture Major and an expert in bees.

300 JOHN BURLEY: Citizen.

301 REP. MEEK: He'll be working in my office.

304 RAY WILKESON: Oregon Forest Industries Council.

306 PHIL WARD: Assistant Director, Department of Agriculture.

308 SUSAN SCHNEIDER: City of Portland.

310 JEFF CURTIS: Department of Fish and Wildlife.

313 DAVE HUFFMAN: Intern for REP. MEEK.

REP. DOMINY: Presents information on his background and experience.

-Agenda: Main concern is forestry issues.

-Hope we can stabilize the timber industry.

-Maybe we can clean up the image in how we deal with the reforestation act.

-We need to close the loopholes so we can be proud of the industry.

-Maybe the workers in the future can plan on a future in the forest industry.

362 REP. DWYER: Presents information on his background and experience.

-Am interested in adopting positions that create sound public policy.

-Consider myself speaking for the person who isn't represented by lobbyists.

-Am from a timber dependant community. Sensitive to needs of the timber community.

-Am a conservationist. If we can serve and manage our resource base we can have it in perpetuity.

-Am a hunter and fisherman and am sensitive to the needs of hunters and fishermen.

TAPE 02, SIDE A

006 REP. JOSI: Presents information on his background and experience.

-My agriculture background helps me understand how difficult it is for farmers to make a living.

-Interests: Wetlands is a big issue in my district.

-Maintaining ag lands. Make sure that land stays agricultural land.

-Forestry: Share REP. DOMINY's concerns; seeing we have a stable supply.

-Offer incentives for more productivity for forest management.

-Taking care of dislocated workers.

-Fisheries is an issue in my district. I understand the needs of commercial fishermen.

-Am interested in any legislation that would enhance recreational and commercial fisheries.

REP. MEEK: Have a forestry and logging background.

-He presents background information.

-Am interested in preserving our resources.

-Washington County has the third largest agriculture industry in the state and we have one of the youngest and largest forests.

-Agriculture and forestry is one of our great assets.

073 REP. NORRIS: Presents background information.

-He describes his district. Agriculture is its heart and soul.

-There are three wood products plants, though there is little or no timber harvested.

-We need to continue to utilize our natural resources, the foundations of our economy.

113 REP. VANLEEUEWEN: Describes her district.

-We don't have the trees, but we have the people.

-She describes her current committee assignments.

-The larger metropolitan areas don't always realize our basic wealth comes from the natural resources.

-She describes her agricultural background.

-She describes a cogeneration bill she is interested in.

-She describes other bills she is interested in.

-Agriculture and forestry are our God given natural resources and if they are properly managed they will supply adequate jobs, recreation an

-The endangered species is not the spotted owl, but our constituents.

215 CHAIR SCHROEDER: Describes his background as a county extension agent.

-He describes his legislative background.

-My area has been hit by mill closures.

-He describes legislation that the committee should be getting.

-He describes what the Oregon Forest Industries Council is proposing for the Forest Practices Act.

-He describes his concerns about wetlands.

-It is vital we have a balance and use our resources wisely.

-He describes his interests in sports and commercial fishing.

-He expresses his concerns about marine mammals. We need to manage them more than fish.

302 REP. DWYER: The Marine Mammal Act is a Federal act.

CHAIR SCHROEDER: We can memorialize. I have a proposal to look at that.

-We'll be dealing with mining and geology bills.

-Overall, we'll be dealing with agency fee increases.

332 BETH PATRINO, Committee Administrator: Refers to the Staff Profile (EXHIBIT C).

-She presents background information.

345 EDWARD C. KLEIN, Committee Assistant: Presents background information.

