Capitol Complex Advisory Council Draft Meeting Minutes Thursday, April 29, 2010 Noon - 12:30 p.m. Room 160, Mitchell Building

Members Present: Janet R. Kelly, Chairperson; Department of Administration Richard Sims, Montana Historical Society Representative Jill Cohenour Senator Lynda Moss (by conference call) Chas Van Genderen, Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks Sandi Miller, Public Representative

**Members Absent:** Jim Poor, Montana Arts Council Representative Elsie Arntzen Senator Aubyn Curtiss

**Staff:** Gretchen Bingman, Department of Administration Shannon Lewis, Department of Administration

**Public:** Sherri Ohs-Mosley Jeff Douglas (Law Enforcement Academy)

#### **Call to Order and Introductions:**

Chairperson Janet R. Kelly called the Capitol Complex Advisory Council (CCAC) to order at 12:05 p.m. welcoming members and visitors.

Gretchen Bingman introduced herself as the new staff member for the Capitol Complex Advisory Council.

#### **Capitol Complex Advisory Council Operating Procedures:**

Janet reviewed the operating procedures that were adopted during the February 19, 2009, meeting. She also told the Council that DOA Attorney Mike Manion had provided his official opinion that proxy voting is not allowed by the Council.

## Approval of February 19, 2009, Minutes:

Representative Cohenour moved and Sandi Miller seconded a motion to approve the February 19, 2009, meeting minutes. *The motion passed unanimously.* 

# Discussion and approval of proposed wording for plaques for the Karl Ohs Education Center at the Montana Law Enforcement Academy:

<u>Background:</u> The 61st Legislature amended 2-17-807, MCA, to allow a new classroom building at the Montana Law Enforcement Academy in Helena to be named in honor of the late Lt. Governor Karl Ohs. In addition, the amendment to 2-17-808, MCA, authorized placement of a plaque commemorating Mr. Ohs.

Typically, the location of such a plaque is determined by the Capitol Complex Advisory Council; however, at its last meeting, the Council voted to delegate the decision regarding the location of the plaques at the new Karl Ohs Education Center to the Ohs family, the Department of Justice, and the building architect. The Council retained the authority for final approval of the proposed language of the plaques.

Sherri Ohs-Mosley attended the meeting and presented a mock-up of the plaque and the proposed wording to the Council for their comment and approval (a copy of Ms. Ohs-Mosley's mock-up and final wording is attached).

Once the education center is complete, two identical plaques will reside on pillars on the front and back of the building. There will also be three cases in the building containing memorabilia from Karl Ohs' time in office and his role in ending the Freeman standoff. Dedication of the new building is scheduled for June 25, 2010.

The Council discussed the wording and made a few changes.

Motion to approve the language for the plaque honoring Lt. Governor Karl Ohs at the classroom building at the Montana Law Enforcement Academy: Representative Cohenour moved and Richard Sims seconded a motion to approve the wording of the plaque honoring Lt. Governor Karl Ohs at the classroom building at the Montana Law Enforcement Academy. The motion passed unanimously.

#### The final plaque will read:

1946 Photo of Karl Ohs 2007

Montana Lieutenant Governor 2000-2004

Montana House of Representatives 1995-1999

Working with the FBI and many local agencies, Lt. Gov. Karl Ohs successfully negotiated a peaceful surrender with the Freeman standoff in Jordan, Montana, in 1996 with no loss of life. For his selfless diplomacy, Karl was awarded The Louis E. Peters Memorial Service Award by the FBI,

the highest civilian award given to a citizen

Thank you to the Ohs Family

#### **Public Comment:**

Mr. Jeff Douglas from the Law Enforcement Academy let everyone know that it's an honor to recognize Lt. Governor Karl Ohs at the academy.

#### Adjournment:

The Capitol Complex Advisory Council adjourned at 12:30 p.m. The chairperson will determine the date for the next Capitol Complex Advisory Council meeting.

### Copy of Sherri Ohs-Mosley's mock-up with the final language

