

OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
4515 N. 7th Avenue  
Phoenix, Arizona 85013

Minutes of Meeting  
January 18, 1974

Present:

Mr. Ralph W. Bilby, Chairman  
Mr. W. Roger Hafford, Vice Chairman  
Mr. Robert A. Bledsoe, Member  
Mr. F. Keith Benton, Member

The regular Commission meeting for the month of January, 1974 was called to order by Chairman Ralph Bilby at 10:00 a.m.

Minutes of meeting of November 30, 1973 were approved as written.

Reports of Executive Secretary, Enforcement Section and Geology Section were accepted.

Dr. Joseph F. Schreiber, Assistant Department Head of the Department of Geosciences at the University of Arizona, was introduced to the Commission by Dr. J. J. Wright. Dr. Schreiber will replace Dr. Wright as official representative of the University to the Commission.

Chairman Bilby expressed the appreciation of the Commission to the University of Arizona and to Dr. Wright for his contributions to the Commission.

Executive Secretary advised that Governor Jack Williams requested that the Commission submit a proposal aimed to stimulate exploration for energy resources in the State of Arizona. The Governor further directed that the state universities be involved as much as possible. The University of Arizona, Arizona State University and Northern Arizona University were contacted pursuant to these instructions and all three submitted various proposals for geology studies to be conducted. The Commission personnel screened these proposals and submitted those they deemed to have merit to the Governor. Governor Williams approved the proposals, as submitted by the Commission, and instructed the Commission to request supplemental appropriation from the current Legislature so that these proposals could be commenced at the earliest possible date.

In addition to geological studies, proposals were made to the Governor concerning the use of taxes and state royalties as state means of incentives.

The Commission further recommended to the Governor that all funds connected with the incentive program be placed under the control of the Commission.

Chairman Bilby advised that a letter has been received from the State Personnel Division recommending that the salary of the Executive Secretary be set at Grade 21 with a salary range of \$15,833 to \$21,540, effective July 1, 1974 if funds are available and there are no legal barriers. This includes a 6.75% economic adjustment for this year. It was moved, seconded and passed that the recommended salary be adopted.

Approval was given for the Executive Secretary to attend an Executive Committee meeting of the Interstate Oil Compact Commission to be held in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma on February 27, 1974.

Commission expressed its appreciation and authorized Chairman Bilby to write a letter to Dr. J. J. Wright expressing the action of the Commission.

Meeting adjourned at 11:45 a.m.

APPROVED February 15, 1974

  
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Ralph W. Bilby, Chairman

Also present at meeting:

Dr. Joseph F. Schreiber  
Department of Geosciences  
University of Arizona  
Tucson, Arizona

Dr. J. J. Wright  
Tucson, Arizona

Mr. A. K. Doss  
State Land Department