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BILL OF RIGHTS COMMITTEE

Place of Meeting: Room 331

Date of meeting: 2/16/72 Hour of meeting: 9:45 A.M.

Committee Chairman: Wade J. Dahood

MINUTES OF THE ELEVENTH MEETING OF THE BILL OF RIGHTS COMMITTEE

Subject of meeting: Vote on Sections of our Article

Roll Call:

Wade J. Dahood, Ch.
Chet Blaylock, V. Ch.
Bob Campbell
Dorothy Eck
Donald R. Foster
R. S. (Bob) Hanson
George H. James
Rachell K. Mansfield
Lyle R. Monroe
Marshall Murray
Veronica Sullivan

present
present

DISCUSSION:

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Marshall Murray warned the committee about dreaming up amendments on the floor. He cautioned them to do some background work and be sure that what they are amending is correct. He also suggested that we space the new and old sections alternately so there won't be so much debate consecutively. Mr. Murray moved that we forego any section on the environment and leave it up to Natural Pesources. Veronica Sullivan seconded the motion. Only Lyle Monroe opposed this motion.

Chet Blaylock suggested that we go through all sections right now and accept all those that we are going to accept so we'll know which ones need work.

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Section 1 - adopted Section 2 - adopted Section 3 - adopted Section 4 - adopted Section 5 - adopted Section 6 - adopted Section 7 - consider later Section 8 - adopted Section 9 - consider later Section 10 - adopted Section 11 - adopted Section 12 - adopted Section 13 - adopted Section 14 - to natural resources Section 15 - consider later Section 16 - adopted Section 17 - adopted Section 18 - adopted as amended Section 19 - adopted Section 20 - adopted Section 21 - adopted Section 22 - adopted Section 23 - adopted Section 24 - adopted Section 25 - adopted Section 26 - adopted Section 27 - adopted Section 28 - adopted Section 29 - adopted Section 30 - adopted Section 31 - consider later Section 32 - adopted Section 33 - adopted Section 34 - consider later Section 35 - adopted

Mr. George James gave the report from the subcommittee which had studied the various preambles. The submitted the finished produce to the committee, who adopted it unanimously.

At 1:25 P.M. we had a special meeting with the representatives of the Indian Tribes. This meeting was held because of a statement which was taken out of context at one of our meetings.

Mr. Carson Boyd presented his written statement to the committee, which contained a resolution he wants the committee to consider and adopt. He stated that 30,000 Indian people are represented by the Montana Inter-Tribal Policy Board. They want the Ordinance left as it is.

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Mr. Dahood asked if teachers make an effort to resolve the problems of the Indians. Mr. Boyd said that it is very hard for teachers to handle all the children.

After a short recess, the committee resumed their deliberations. Section 7 - replaced with the wording from Section #10 of the original constitution.

Section 9 - adopted Section 15 - adopted Section 31 - adopted Section 34 - adopted

A subcommittee comprised of Chet Blaylock, Lyle Monroe and George James is to study the problems of the Indians and suggest what to do to the committee tomorrow by 1:30 P.M.

The meeting was adjourned.

Wade J. Dahood, Chairman

Secretary