

DRAFT MINUTES
INDEPENDENT CITIZENS COMMISSION

January 27, 2015

The Independent Citizens Commission met Tuesday, January 27, 2015, at 8:30 a.m., U of A Systems Administration Board Room, Little Rock, Arkansas.

Commission members present: Chair-Mr. Larry Ross, Vice Chair-Mr. Chuck Banks, Mr. Mitch Berry, Ms. Barbara Graves, Mr. Stuart Hill, Ms. Brenda James, and Mr. Stephen Tipton.

Chairman Ross, called the meeting to order.

Consideration of Action Sheet for January 26, 2015:

A motion was made by Commissioner James to approve the Action Sheet and seconded by Commissioner Tipton. The motion carried without objection.

Commission Discussion

Chairman Ross asked if any Constitutional Officers were here to speak, no one came forward. The commission then began their discussion for constitutional officer's salaries. Commissioner James emailed a packet of information with graphs which were handed out today in the commission packet. Commissioner Hill gave a handout to the commission on his recommendations for the salaries of the constitutional officers. The group started with the Governor's salary and each commissioner gave his/her recommendations.

Commissioner Berry made a motion that the proposed Governor's Salary be \$140,000.00. Commissioner Graves seconded. The motion failed by voice vote.

The Commission agreed on the range of \$170,000 to \$110,000 for the Governors salary and will come back to discuss. The Commission then discussed Attorney General's Salary the range for discussion being \$105,000 to \$130,000, Secretary of State Salary range for discussion at \$85,000. to \$115,000, Auditor of State salary range of \$70,000 to \$114,000, Treasurer Salary range for discussion is \$70,000. to \$112,750. and Land Commissioner salary range for discussion \$70,000. to \$95,000. The commission will study the information given today and will come back on Wednesday January 28, 2015 to continue talks of the above salaries. Commissioner Graves will compile all of the salary ranges given today and calculate the average and have a handout for the group on Wednesday.

Mr. Brandon Robinson discussed with the commission how he recommends the public notice period be handled. Public Noticed will be placed in the paper and the Public would be given access to the information on the proposed salary adjustment and data used to make those adjustments. The commission would provide the public opportunity to come speak to the commission about the adjustments. The commission would meet with the public within 30 days of the notice and then would meet one more time after the 30 days to make finial any adjustments to be filed with the Auditor.

Upcoming meeting dates are as follows:

Wednesday January 28, 2015- U of A System Administration Cammack Village
Thursday, January 29, 2015 - U of A System Administration Cammack Village
Friday, January 30, 2015- U of A System Administration Cammack Village
Monday, February 2, 2015 - U of A System Administration Cammack Village

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Complete audio of the meeting can be found on <http://citizenscommission.ar.gov>